

STOP HIGH-RISES IN CHINGFORD & HIGHAMS PARK

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As you may know, the **Labour** majority on Waltham Forest Council has been proposing a number of high-rise developments in Chingford, with developers also putting forward plans at Highams Park station.

Your Conservative Ward Councillors are very concerned about this and have been working to oppose these projects which would adversely affect the face of the area. They're also working to ensure that Friday Hill Estate and the Highams Estate retain their existing attractive characters.

Plans to build large, multi-storey blocks of apartments in Highams Park town centre continue to face resistance from residents. These proposals in their current form will have a negative impact on our ward and on services (schools, medical facilities, etc). Your local Conservative Councillors share the view of the community regarding this project and are vocal in their opposition to it. See below to contact the Council direct.

If you haven't made your views on the station development known, email the Council's Planning Department at this email address: dmconsultations@walthamforest.gov.uk and quoting the reference 'Planning Application ID 203040 – 480 to 510 Larkshall Road'. You might like to point out that the plans do not comply to the Highams Park Plan, passed unanimously by Waltham Forest Council less than a year ago.



In June 2020, the Council's Cabinet, consisting only of Labour Councillors, approved a feasibility study to consider the redevelopment of Chingford Library and Assembly Hall, which would be replaced by a so called 'Chingford Hub' with a library and a 'flexible assembly space' on the site of the existing library. The present, much-loved Assembly Hall would be replaced by a high-rise development of 40 or more flats! Conservative Councillors have joined with local residents in opposing these proposals.

MEET JUSTIN HALABI HATCH LANE BY-ELECTION CANDIDATE

Sadly, Geoff Walker, who served as a Conservative Councillor for Hatch Lane for 26 years, passed away in March. He is very much missed by us all. A by-election will be held to replace him as one of Hatch Lane Ward's three Councillors on 6 May, the date of the election for Mayor of London and our representative on the Greater London Authority.

The Conservative Candidate for Hatch Lane Ward will be Justin Halabi, a local boy who has lived opposite Heathcote School his whole life. Justin is passionate about seeing our local community thrive; regularly organising community clean-ups and playing a massive part in the fight for appropriate development across the area.

He is a patron of local charity Smiles with Grace, which helps those suffering from cancer, and undertakes a key role in organising fundraising projects. He has also volunteered for over three years with a community centre, helping to deliver

youth projects, care for the elderly and local heritage projects.

Justin has a law degree, is trained as a barrister and is currently working within financial services. He hopes to use the breadth of his experience to help develop common sense policies to solve problems in Council.

Justin said: **"I want to unite communities under a common aim. That takes communication and actually listening to people's concerns."**

If elected, I will work to make sure that the Council hears and considers the views of residents and does not force Walthamstow-centric policies on us in Chingford. I can't wait to get started. I will work hard to deliver for all residents in Hatch Lane Ward."



EMMA BEST Your GLA Candidate



I was born in Whipps Cross and have lived in the North East of London all my life. It's the place that raised me through the good and the bad.

I've experienced the struggles of London first-hand; sofa surfing, knife crime and the rising cost of living that threatens to push us all further from the city we love. So I never wanted to get into politics because of something I read in a paper, textbook or some idea of grandeur. I've seen the grittier side of this city and want to be a part of making positive changes for the better.

I've been a councillor for 6 years now, fighting for the most vulnerable in society while also working in children and family services. I live in Chingford, raising two boys. I never want my children to have to see the things I've seen. I feel hopeful they won't, seeing there's a candidate for Mayor of London like Shaun Bailey, who gets it. He has lived the struggle too, been a youth worker and understands what London needs.

It's a place that makes stories like mine possible; a city of hope, redemption and opportunity.

That's why I'm standing to be your GLA member. I'm tired of seeing the greatness of this city restricted in the North East of London. It's time for change. Join me in making that change possible.

Vote Emma Best for North East AM and Shaun Bailey for Mayor of London this May 2021.

YOUR COUNCILLORS ARE STILL HERE FOR YOU!

No Councillors' Surgeries are being held in Waltham Forest during the Coronavirus period.

However, if you need their help, Ward Councillors, Cllr. Marion Fitzgerald and Cllr. Tim James continue to be available to assist you. You can find their contact details on the bottom of this newsletter.



WALTHAM FOREST LABOURS' 2020/21 RESURFACING LIST

CHINGFORD: 1 ROAD COSTING **£22,500**

THE REST OF WALTHAM FOREST: 13 ROADS COSTING **£564,000**

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