

# THE BULLETIN



### Harold Wood, Hill, Park Residents' Association

For up to date info visit our website:
www.hwhpra.org.uk







Cllr Martin Goode 01708 373645



Cllr Darren Wise 01708 342369



### LOOKING AFTER OUR COMMUNITY

### August 19

### We Care About Our Community



We will fight to support our residents to keep our library open and these are not just empty words - we mean what we say. We attended a public meeting at the library on 4th July, which was badly organised by the Council and also not very well advertised. We were amazed at how unprofessional it was with no microphones and inadequate seating. The questions asked by the residents attending were not professionally answered and the large questionnaire distributed by the organisers was not directly for the needs of our library but for Havering as a whole and Children's Centres. We have asked for another Public Meeting and will keep you updated on future plans.

CLLRS. EAGLING, GOODE AND WISE

### Damaged CATV Access Cover

Following a local resident contacting us of a damaged and broken Virgin Cable access cover in Farringdon Avenue, we was pleased to see that the Council immediately contacted Virgin Media on an emergency 2 hour response to get this repaired/replaced.

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### **Overgrown Hedges**

Please can we ask residents to cut their overgrown hedges back as they generally protrude onto the Pavement and if there are residents in wheelchairs or motorised scooters or parents with prams/pushchairs, it sometimes requires the individual to either walk on muddy grassed areas or into the road. The Council will write to householders (if they have been reported) that do not trim their hedges back and if it is not done, then the Council will do it and send you an invoice for doing this work. Please be considerate for pedestrians.

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### Harold Wood Station Update

Latest update we have is that the telecoms

company will be fitting out the telecoms to the kiosk at the end of July. This is later than planned and what we advised on in last month's Bulletin as the third party contractors (Telecoms) who are doing the works have not been available. Unfortunately the council does not have any control over statutory installations of this type and is purely reliant on the work scheduling of the utility provider. Once telecoms is complete then this should allow the plaza works to take place.

We are however pleased that the mini bridge in the car park was installed following our complaints of rainwater collecting in the centre of the car park in a large puddle leaving commuters having to jump the puddle in order to access the station.

With regards to the ticket hall, we have no further updates at present to pass on. The frustrating saga of completion of this station goes on...., we are however continuing to chase for updates on this.

### All Age Autism Strategy

Havering council has launched its all-age Autism Strategy. A lot of work has gone into developing this with stakeholders including Autism groups, Autistic individuals, carers and parents. Further details can be found at the following link. Please respond to the consultation as this will help the Council deliver the right and appropriate services.

https://consultation.havering.gov.uk/social-care/all-age-autism-strategy/



Harold Wood and Harold Hill still has free 30mins parking in its shopping centres.

### Turkish Restaurant opens in Station Road

Izmir Meze, was officially opened at the beginning of July, and we were delighted to attend this grand occasion with the Mayor of Havering, Councillor Michael Deon Burton. This new venue offers both a fully licensed restaurant and a take away service. Already their Turkish cuisine is receiving great reviews. So why not call 01708 383839 to make a reservation or place an order. Opening times are 12 noon to 10:30 pm 7 days a week. www.izmirmeze.co.uk



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### Station Café-Reopened

I was delighted to be present for the re-opening of the Café, In Station Road Harold Wood, and was amazed at its transformation. Café Break as it is now called, is a very relaxing place with a great atmosphere. The owner Bektas, and his family have really worked hard over the last 4 months renovating and refurbishing the building to create a place where the residents and visitors to Harold wood can enjoy their time with friends and family. Well done and I wish Bektas and his family and staff all the success they deserve.

### Havering Antique & Collectors Club

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### Caring for your Pets



Pamela Lynch, lives in Harold Wood, and welcome's you to Paw-Patrol, a dog walking and small animal care service. From a very young age Pamela, always loved animals of every description, and a change in her circumstances meant that she could now turn this love into a full time occupation. Our lifestyles are hectic and very busy these days and there may be times when your pets are left alone. This is where Pamela can help, by providing an individual Service to suit the needs of your pets. Pamela, also offers a Professional, friendly and reliable dog walking service in Havering & Brentwood, is fully insured and holds a DBS certificate and a canine first aid and CPR certificate. Please see her advert below for contact details.

### Leaving a message

Would residents who phone local Councillors and leave their names and phone numbers please speak slowly and clearly. We can't get back to people in need as sometimes the messages are very unclear or if you can send us an email with your phone number on it and we will call you back to try and help with your problem.

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#### **Travellers**

We are aware that Travellers are in the area and we are monitoring the situation. Last year, the Council had many problems chasing them off local Public land all over Harold Hill and Havering. The Council will monitor their movements and will issue eviction notices if they come onto Public Land however this has to be done through the Courts.

### A Big Thank You

A local resident contacted me informing that a funfair had arrived at Harold Wood Park and was setting up. They were setting up on the football pitches which would have ruined them and we feared that a lot of noise from the funfair would have upset the nearby neighbours. Also it would have clashed with Harold Wood school's Summer Fair so I contacted the Parks Department and had it removed within 2 hours. Thank you to the resident who contacted me so promptly.

CLLR. BRIAN EAGLING

### Havering Talking Newspaper - 2019 Queen's Award

The Havering Talking Newspaper, a group of volunteers based in Harold Wood, have been honoured with the Queen's Award for Voluntary Service, the highest award a voluntary group can receive in the UK.

The Havering Talking Newspaper is a free weekly service of local news recorded onto USB memory sticks for vision impaired people in the borough of Havering whose sight is too poor to read the printed word. Those who cannot see well enough to read do not have access to information we all take for granted. For the few who can read Braille, local news and some event information is still outside their reach.

Havering Talking Newspaper will receive the award from the Lord Lieutenant of London later this summer. Further details - www.hwhpra.org. uk/2019/06/05/havering-talking-newspaper/

### **Round About Harold Wood**

As exercise is being promoted for all of us, here's some mental exercise in the form of anagrams relating to Harold Wood. The full names of the thoroughfares are in the upper case letters in the clues. For those awkward people who don't like anagrams, a walk round the 3sq. miles covered by The Bulletin, searching out the letters on street signs will provide some physical exercise - If you enjoy the walk, you might consider delivering Bulletins in future! Answers below.

- 1. The king named was A NORTH-EAST LAD.
- 2. You can't even buy BELGIAN BUNS in this shop-less highway.
- 3. Are these residents NERVOUSLY SANE?
- 4. RADIANT SOOT isn't a feature of this busy spot.
- 5. GARDENER'S KEYS can be found here.
- 6. An INVALID MOTHER is seen here.
- 7. GENUINE VEAL in Harold Park
- 8. LABOUR GATHERED in this quiet turning
- 9. This main road is too busy to SQUIRT A SHAREHOLDER.
- 10. HIRED VET available here.

**DENNIS GOODWIN** 

### Re-Use Groups – Don't throw it away, Give it away!

Freegle is an online reuse group that was founded in 2009 with 1000 volunteers and 2,600,000 members in the UK, and saves nearly 30 Tonnes of waste from landfill in Havering.



Freegle (Free Giving Locally Easily) runs as a charity, where you can pass on useable items for reuse from cups and saucers to larger items like beds, sofas and white goods. Freegle is advertised on the Havering Gov website: havering.gov. uk though there's still a lot of people that don't know about Freegle.

The developer of Freegle's web site, Edward has been doing a 830 mile trek across the country to raise money for Freegle, he has already raised over £7500 so far and taking 21/2 months to complete. See their website www.sponsoramile. ilovefreegle.org if you want to sponsor him.

Please check out the website below for more details on this story at the following link -

www.hwhpra.org.Uk/2019/06/27/re-use-groups-dont-throw-it-away-give-it-away/

Quiz Answers - 1. Athelstan Road, 2. Gubbins Lane, 3.Rosslyn Avenue, Station Road, 5. Kersey Gardens 6. Hamilton Drive, 7. Elgin Avenue, 8. Ethelburga Road, 9. Squirrels Heath Road, 10. The Drive.



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