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July 2026

A date for your diary

Our Remembrance Sunday - Sunday
8th November 2026

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New Administration

As many of you will be aware, there is a new administration within the Council, and they are currently setting out their priorities for the next four years. With a significant number of new Councillors, Officers are dedicating considerable time to training and ensuring they are fully up to speed with Council policies and procedures. As a result, responses to issues and queries we have raised have been slower than usual. We appreciate your patience while the new administration settles in, and we will continue to do our best to obtain answers to any queries you have submitted as promptly as possible.

Gallows Corner Update

We continue to chase TFL for an update on when the full re-opening of Gallows Corner will happen though this is down to Essex Water finishing their work. It is unacceptable that (at the time of writing) this is not fully open. We will keep you updated on any new dates as soon as we hear.

Parking in Harold Wood Park

We are aware that Many Commuters are parking all day in Harold Wood Park free of charge and by doing this they are stopping dog walkers and park users from parking. We asked the last administration over 9 months ago to install a parking machine whereby users could park for free for 2 or 3 hours, Monday to Friday, by entering their registration number in the machine. We raised this suggestion at full council on many occasions but unfortunately, this did not come to fruition. We will take this up with the new Reform Administration and hopefully they will support this urgent problem. We will of course keep you all updated.

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Local Allotment

It has been brought to our attention that there have been thefts from the local allotment sites and damage caused. The Metropolitan Police are now issuing D.N.A Kits to all sites. Please make use of these kits as stolen items can be traced back to the original owners.

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Wombles

The Wombles are still going strong and heading towards our 6th year



Anniversary. We have a fantastic team who keep going every week, despite new knees, new hips and various other ailments. We take huge pride in keeping our beautiful, Harold Wood Park, clean and tidy but we know there are many like-minded

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citizens who litter pick whilst walking their dogs or just walking through the park and we are very grateful to them. When the football and cricket teams have practise or matches would they please ensure they put their empty bottles and litter in the bins provided. Also a shout out to our re-elected Cllr. Brian Eagling who litter picks with us every week but then makes us a very welcome Cuppa once our endeavours are over

Havering Community Hubs

If you need some advice about money and benefits, help finding a job, support with using computers and the internet or help with housing or council services then Community Hubs are here to help you. The council run them with local partners, and they bring lots of helpful services into one place.

There are currently two Community Hubs in Havering. They are based in Harold Hill Library and Rainham Library. The Harold Hill community hub is 13:00-16:00 every Tuesday and Thursday (Some services may run until 15:45) - Harold Hill Library, 19A Farnham Road, Harold Hill RM3 8ED

Garden waste bin service

If you want to get a garden waste bin service, you can order one or more 240-litre wheeled green bins to put your garden waste into.

The waste is collected every other week (except two weeks over Christmas) and disposed of for a fee of £87 per bin, per year. You sign up to the bin service with an annual contract that runs from 1 April to 31 March each year.

The renewal period each year starts in early March at which point we send renewal information to you. See the council website for further details:

<https://www.havering.gov.uk/gardenwaste>

Elvis 5K

Harold Wood Running Club's annual ELVIS 5k will be on Wednesday 29th July at 7.30pm.



Race entries will be open soon but in the meantime if you need any further info please email info@haroldwoodrunning.club

Or see - ELVIS Running Clubs – East London five Interclub Series (ELVIS)

Fly Tipping

Household rubbish continues to be left along Station Road, where the bottle banks used to be.

This rubbish is treated as Fly Tipping and Council officers, will investigate and search through the discarded rubbish to see if any address can be identified in order to locate and pursue any information that will lead to the identity of where this rubbish originates from. The Council takes this matter very seriously and will follow up on their findings.

CLLR MARTIN GOODE

A Quick Response

After receiving a complaint, on a Sunday evening from a resident, regarding baked beans being spilt all over the children's slide in the play area in Painesbrook Park, I immediately sent an email to the



Parks Department requesting that this mess should be cleared up urgently. I am very pleased to report that the Parks Department cleaned the slide first thing Monday morning.

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Damage to Grass verges

We continue to receive complaints regarding motorists who persistently drive over or park on grass verges, causing extreme damage. We have raised this matter many times with the Council's previous administration, but unfortunately no progress has been made. Hopefully, now the new administration will listen to us and take this matter seriously enough by introducing adequate enforcement measures in order to manage and control the situation.

CLLR MARTIN GOODE

Railings Repaired

Following notification from a resident about the damaged railings on the A12, we contacted TFL to get these repaired and we are pleased to confirm this has now been done.

Before



After



Into the Wide Blue Yonder

"My cousin Jim was an Air Gunner in the RAF and I was invited to his wedding in Leicester. I'd never been away from home alone. I bought my first suit but it came with a waistcoat, which I loathed. The man at Burton's informed me "All suits are three-piece", but none of my film idols wore three-piece suits! As a show of youthful defiance, I never wore the waist-coat! My cousin took me under his wing at Leicester. His lovely bride, the pretty girls the town was noted for, and the glamour of Cousin Jim's crew, all entranced me. I was probably embarrassingly gauche, but I felt for the first time, that I was being treated as an adult. I went home full of admiration for aircrew.



My companion at work was the guitar player who had persuaded me to learn shorthand, join his jazz group and the Youth Club. We discussed my fascination with the RAF and decided we'd take a day off and volunteer. I should have been wary by now because he's never completed his shorthand course, his dancing lessons or learned to read music; I invariably ended up on my own. Nevertheless, we agreed to volunteer. I took the day off and immediately volunteered for flying duties in the RAF. The Ministry of Supply couldn't hold me, as aircrew had priority. Next day I went light heartedly to work and announced that I'd signed on. Andy, the guitar player, hadn't gone as he'd felt unwell. He never

did join up!

In March 1944 I was ordered to Bedford for a week's intensive medical and academic tests. I passed and was accepted as a potential Flight Engineer in the RAFVR. That summer was the happiest I'd experienced. The drabness of 12 hour days at a bench was coming to an end, and there was no point in studying for O.N.C. as I'd signed on for the duration of the hostilities and the war seemed far from over."

DENNIS GOODWIN

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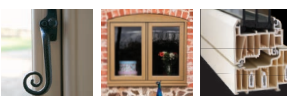
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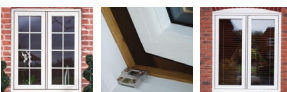


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