Cranham Conservatives

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THANK YOU CRANHAM

LOCAL ELECTION RESULTS

Following the local council elections, the Conservative group increased to 26 councillors, compared to 21 at the previous 2014 election. Two of those gains were in the Hornchurch & Upminster constituency, where we increased our share of the vote by over a third.

Havering Council is therefore run by a Conservative led administration. We will keep our election promises, including:

- Keeping Council Tax as low as possible
- Spending £20 million to fix roads and pavements
- Maintaining weekly bin collections
- Building more affordable homes for local residents
- Maintaining protection of the Green Belt
- Protecting the Freedom Pass for Senior Citizens

We would like to thank our candidates, association members, and most importantly all of the voters who turned out to support the great British tradition of democracy.

Unfortunately, Paul Connew, Henry Frost and Poh Foong missed out this time around. The team has worked hard for the community, speaking to residents and visiting almost every street in the ward. They have successfully helped many individuals with issues.

Thankfully they pledge to continue to do this. So please contact them with any issues or suggestions involving the Council. You do not need to be a Conservative member or voter. Help us to help you.

POLICE STATION HOPES?









The budget for the Police is set by Mayor Sadiq Khan (Labour), and his Greater London Assembly. While they have money for many political schemes, he chose to cut £38 million from the draft Police Budget.

Labour's cuts included the closure of all of the local Police offices with the exception of Elm Park. They also merged our Police with Barking & Dagenham.

Your local Conservative team fought this vigorously. We gathered well over 1,000 survey forms, and the Conservative led Havering Council launched a legal challenge against Sadiq Khan's plans earlier this year.

After much negotiation a compromise may be struck which would enable the Council to acquire Hornchurch Police station. Crucially, the Police would still base a minimum level of staff at the site, and we could use it to provide public access to Council services.

Despite claims by the **Residents Association** that we were merely seeking votes, our success has appeared on one of their leader's twitter feeds without acknowledgement. It is a gentle reminder that they are not a traditional and neutral Residents Association, but a Political Party, Just like the rest of us.

You can find their registration with the Electoral Commission at http://search.electoralcommission.org.uk/ Registrations/PP308

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KEITH'S CORNER



Keith Prince London Assembly Member for Havering & Redbridge

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May I start by offering my commiserations to Paul Connew, Henry Frost and Poh Foong for missing out on Election night, as they would have made excellent Councillors. But I am pleased that they are continuing as your Conservative Action Team for Cranham and will continue to represent your interests.

I am working with TfL to improve disabled access and the appearance of Hornchurch Station which is looking a little tired to say the least.

I am also pressing Transport for London (TfL) for a Pedestrian phase at Ardleigh Green Lights, and have had meetings with local schools to make crossing the A127 Arterial road safer.

Additionally I am asking for regular updates to ensure they deliver the new bridges to the revised timetable.

Moving away from politics I have attended several shows at the Queens Theatre Hornchurch recently including the latest 'Priscilla Queen of the Desert'. The standard was amazing, as good as a West End show.

I remember the Q as it was known when it opened in the 1970's as an exciting vibrant place with innovative shows, which we are still seeing today. If you have not been recently you really must go and enjoy all the great things the Queens Theatre has to offer!

Keith Prince AM Havering & Redbridge

WANT TO GET INVOLVED!

Would you be interested in finding out about how you can help your local Conservatives campaign for our area by:

Delivering a few leaflets locally	ly
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- Potentially standing to be a local Conservative councillor.
- Hearing about social events
- Joining your local Conservatives as a member

For more information, please visit our website at: www.hornchurchandupminsterconservatives.com

LOCAL EVENTS & NEWS IN BRIEF

Sainsburys Car Park: Following concerns from local residents due to car parking changes to two hours, we are looking into this and will update you on progress.

Cranston Park Tennis Club in Coniston Avenue are offering a free coaching session. All levels and ages. www.cranstonpark.co.uk or email them on info@cranstonpark.co.uk.

Queens Theatre: Animal encounters for children 4+ years. 22nd September. £5 (01708 443333)

University of the Third Age (U3A) meets a 1pm on the third Tuesday in each month. They run an active series of events. www.u3.org.uk/upminster

EVENTS CALENDAR

Your local Conservative Association runs an active schedule of events. The O3-4 calendar includes:

Quiz Night. 7th September.

Churchill War Rooms & Drinks. 16th September.

Conservative Party Conference. Birmingham. 30 Sep – 3 October.

Conservative Policy Forum discussion: The Digital Age. 23rd October.

Annual Dinner with Jacob Rees-Mogg. November (date to be announced).

Conservative Policy Forum discussion: **Disability & Inclusion.** 4th December.

Christmas Drinks. 9th December.

Our younger members are also forming a local Young Conservative group. The first event will be Pizza with our local MP, Julia Lopez in October, with other political and social events to follow. Contact us if you would be interested in attending any of the above events.

TALK TO THE TEAM

If you have any queries or concerns in respect of your area, please talk to a member of your action team who will be more than happy to help you. Their details are overleaf.

If you wish Join your local Conservatives, please contact Chris Sutton at the address below or email him at: suttonchris@huccat.uk