

Havering Council's Finances - The Truth

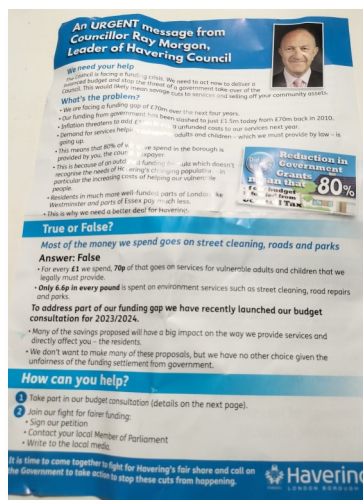
The new Council, run by the Residents Association Political Party and Labour, are using 13 year old numbers from 2010 to suggest that they need to cut spending by £70m, without explaining that:

- The reduced government grant to London councils has been offset by the retention of more business rates and other funding streams for the Council.
- This year, the funds available to the Council actually increased, compared to last year when the Conservatives successfully ran the Council's finances.

Where there are legitimate concerns about the bigger social care costs compared to other boroughs, **our MP Julia Lopez** has worked with all political parties to help represent the Council to Ministers. Your local Conservative Chairman, **Dominic Swan** also personally raised the topic with Michael Gove.

We are therefore pleased to report that from April onwards; Havering's core spending power will grow by 9.5%, with extra revenue support grant and money for social care.

Labour and the Residents Association Political Party need to spend this extra money wisely.



The first change should be to stop spending our taxes on their "£70m" leaflet. Don't use the taxpayers' money to print and deliver them to everyone's door.

In contrast, this leaflet is paid for by the local Conservative Association's membership fees and delivered by our local volunteers.

Havering Job Fair



Your local MP, Julia Lopez, is hosting a Jobs & Apprenticeships Fair at Queen's Theatre on **10 February** with the local JobCentre and Havering's schools and businesses.

It follows a successful Jobs Fair in August when over 60 residents secured a job or training.

Since September 2021 unemployment has fallen by 865 people across the constituency. Unemployment is at its lowest since 1974 under this Conservative government. We plan the next fair to help local people get the skills they need to boost our businesses.

We want to hear your views! Let us know at: www.hornchurchandupminsterconservatives.com

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Keith's Corner

Despite the long process, your Conservative Assembly Member Keith Prince has continued to pressure Sadiq Khan to refurbish the Gallows Corner Flyover. After your local Conservatives invited Khan to Havering in 2016, the Mayor agreed something must be done.

However, Sadiq Khan's progress has been slow. Keith has continued to lobby the Commissioner of TFL and the Mayor to pay the £150 million cost.

The improvement to the flyover is a genuine traffic solution - unlike Khan's £200 million ULEZ expansion which, according to the official ULEZ report, will have a "negligible" impact on emissions.



Survey Feedback Results—Action on Recycling!



Emilia, Greg & Rash received information from our recent survey that orange recycling bags were not being delivered in some streets.

We informed the Council, and also provided information on how residents can obtain extra bags from their local library.

Scan here to report your local issue



Over £6 million support for our pensioners

19,994 pensioners in our constituency have received their £300 cost of living payment to deal with rising fuel costs this winter — worth about £6 million. A further £324 payment was received by 1,917 low income pensioners in our area — a package worth £621,108.

£2.46 million grant to help Havering's Homeless

From April, Havering will receive £2.46m from the government to prevent homelessness and £2.56m the year after. The grant can be used flexibly by councils to offer financial aid for people to find a new home, provide temporary accommodation and work with landlords to prevent evictions.

Bin Collection Campaign Success

A Conservative petition in Havering Town Hall by Councillor David Taylor has successfully put pressure on the Labour and Residents Association Political Party coalition to keep weekly bin collections.



The planned cuts would not have seen savings for twelve years. Over 2000 local people backed Councillor Taylor's petition and we hope the Council sticks to its new position

Will ULEZ Stage 2 Get You Too?

Research published in the Evening Standard Newspaper suggests Labour's ULEZ will spend £200 million on fitting cameras and other costs just to collect their new tax.

The charges Sadiq Khan has proposed for 2023 will not cover this.

We fear that he will try to catch many more cars once he has the scheme approved, particularly Petrol Euro 5 Cars & Euro 6 Diesels (currently being sold).

RECEIPT

ULEZ

Cost of Living Charge

Address: City Hall
Manager: Sadiq Khan

Thank you for visiting Sadiq Khan's London

ULEZ CAMERAS & SIGNAGE	£200,000,000
ULEZ COMPLIANT BUSES FOR HAVERING	£500,000
Tax Daily charge for non-compliance*	£12.50
Total:	SPIRALLING COST OF SADIQ KHAN

If your car is exempt from ULEZ in 2023, will it be taxed in 2024? Or 2025?

We are calling on the Residents Association led Havering Council to back the Conservative Councils of Bexley, Hillingdon, Bromley and Harrow in resisting the ULEZ expansion.

Sign our petition to stop ULEZ by scanning the QR code.

