



LOUGHTON RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION



LRA NEWS

Next email news.

We expect to send out the next news bulletin on Friday July 1st (unless there's something of major importance to report). We will still be making information available on Facebook and Twitter (details below if you'd like to sign up).

Part-night street lighting. TfL's decision to move to all-night Tube-running to Loughton later this year means that in effect Loughton (the north-eastern terminus of the service) will become the railhead for much of Essex at these times. There will be particular problems with people arriving, possibly not entirely sober, and seeking cabs, as well as trying to walk home. Buckhurst Hill will also be served. Last year, Loughton Town Council officially requested the County Council to keep street lights in Loughton on all night on Fridays and Saturdays when all-night trains started, which they said they would consider. LRA Cllr Chris Pond raised the matter again at the Full County Council last month - the cost is not likely to be great – Chris estimates it at less than £7500pa. LRA will keep pressing for all-night lighting in Loughton, particularly where it is needed as dictated by transport running times.



Drug-dealing. We are concerned about reports of dealing in Loughton. LRA Cllr Carol Davies is following up apparent dealing at a particular locality. Please report suspicious activity to the District Council (safercommunities@eppingforestdc.gov.uk) and to Essex Police. (This is vital as the Police are now "intelligence-led"; if possible get the registration of any vehicles involved. Ring 999 in emergencies; otherwise phone 01245 491491 (the geographic equivalent of 101, which some phone providers charge for ringing) - ask for the Control Room (not for Loughton Police Station) and get an Incident Number, or email hub.office.efd.brentwood@essex.pnn.police.uk)

Speed limits in Alderton ward. LRA Cllr Chris Roberts has been exploring the possibility of reducing the speed limit to 20mph in Alderton ward by the introduction of a 20s Plenty Scheme. With support from LRA County Cllr Chris Pond a scheme has been put forward for Alderton Hall Lane and Deepdene Road, and we're waiting to hear where the proposal falls on the long "waiting list". (The way the highways were originally adopted by Essex County Council means that speed limits in the rest of the ward cannot be altered).

20's Plenty



Where People Live

No waiting and disabled spaces. A resident recently contacted us about getting yellow lines on The Uplands bend by Loughton Cricket Club, and getting the disabled spaces marked out again in The Drive council car-park. LRA Cllr Chris



Pond had just renewed our request for The Uplands, and will check whether the planned refurbishment of all the council car-parks includes repainting the lines.

Nuisance bikers. LRA Cllr Leon Girling has followed up recent incidents by supplying the police with the location of an offender's bike (the police can and have seized bikes from offenders).

Noise from Sainsbury's car-park. We've had a report from Meadow Road of an increase in cars meeting up in either Sainsburys or the Station car parks on Saturday nights - lots of loud music and screeching tyres. We've asked local LRA members to ask Sainsbury's for the barrier to the Sainsbury's carpark to be closed and locked when staff go home, and to report any incidents to the police.



LOCAL NEWS

FOR LOCAL EVENTS SEE SEPARATE EMAIL

Check ahead for events in red, which need to be booked in advance!

FOR LOCAL LEISURE ORGANISATIONS SEE <http://tinyurl.com/pbel693>

County Highways road repairs. The County Council is [trumpeting](#) an extra spend in the next year on repairing Essex roads – as we've pointed out, this merely goes a little way towards combating the effects of their past underspending. You can see where repairs are planned on their [map](#).



Battle of the Somme Commemoration, Thursday June 30th/ Friday July 1st.

www.eppingforestdc.gov.uk/news/2016/06/battle-of-the-somme-commemoration/

Parking in The Broadway shopping area. There are now parking restrictions on the areas outside the parking bays. Some stupid drivers ignored the activities of the lining contractors, crossing and smearing the recently installed restriction lines, which will be put right as soon as practicable – parking on the paved pedestrian areas was one of the reasons why restrictions have been introduced.



GBH, High Road, November 6th. A man has been jailed for eight years for a planned attack on a 24-year-old man from Romford at around 11.30pm on Friday, November 6, 2015. He suffered life changing injuries. See also local Guardian [report](#).

Nottingham Knockers seem to be very active in the Loughton area at the moment. They often claim to be ex-offenders employed on a rehabilitation scheme - they are not - so don't be conned into buying overpriced dusters! [More](#). [EFNW]

How have local schools performed?

[Letter](#) from County portfolio-holder

District [profile](#)

[Attainment](#) for each school



How to get rid of rubbish – A to Z guide: <http://www.recycleforessex.com/i-want-to-get-rid-of/>

Bonfires: now the weather has improved and people want to be out in their gardens, please remember that a bonfire can be a real nuisance to others.

See www.eppingforestdc.gov.uk/index.php/residents/your-environment/crime-safety/bonfires

Loughton Arts Centre has a new-look [website](#)
– check what’s on and when they’re open.



St Clare Hospice Make A Will Fortnight: if you haven’t made a will, now’s your chance. Supported by local solicitors Attwaters Jameson Hill. [More](#).

Pop-up Business Café. Wednesday 13th July. 10am - 1pm. Epping Forest District Museum Waltham Abbey. Epping Forest District Council has teamed up with the BEST Growth Hub to host a local pop-up business café at the newly-refurbished Museum. This is a chance for local businesses, those just starting out or even those looking at starting up a business to come along & speak with local business professionals on a range of topics such as accounting, law, HR and marketing, to seek advice on any questions you may have to help either start up or expand your business. Tea & cake will be on hand throughout the morning whilst you gain the specialised business support that you need. Free. Details and to register: www.eventbrite.com/e/pop-up-business-cafe-tickets-25811659368

OFFERS & HELP AVAILABLE

Child Sexual Exploitation: information for young people, parents, carers, and professionals, and who to contact – see www.essex.police.uk/cse



London Theatre [Kids Go Free](#) in August. Children aged 16 or under can go for free when accompanied by a full paying adult; an extra two children’s tickets available at half price. No booking, transaction or postage fees.



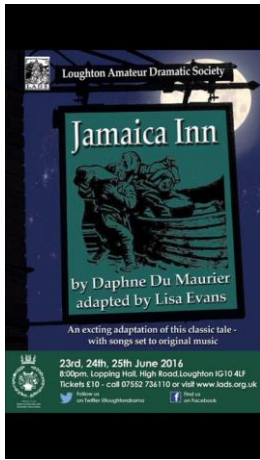
Do you know some-one with mental health problems? There are many services and organisations that offer help and support to people with mental health problems, [here are a few](#).

[PlusBike](#) Is a free, one-stop shop for all information to help you plan your specific cycle-rail journey.



HELP WANTED

Report illegal or harmful information, pictures or videos you’ve found on the internet. You can make your report anonymously. <https://www.gov.uk/report-terrorism> [EFNW]



Jamaica Inn. LADS need Front of House help on 23rd, 24th and 25th of June.

- Front of House Manager (7.15-11.15pm)
- 2 people for bar (7.15-11.15pm)
- 2 people selling programmes (7.30pm-start of play)
- 2 people to make tea (7.15 pm-start of play and interval serving).

If you can help contact info@lads.org.uk (www.lads.org.uk/)

National Trust Woodford and District Centre raise much-needed funds for the Trust. They need some-one to organize their summer coach visits for 2017.

If you may be able to help, please email ntwdc@crp.myzen.co.uk

GENERAL

Stop Windows 10. Microsoft is stepping up the pressure for owners of earlier versions to switch. One way to avoid this is to change your *Microsoft Update* settings from “install automatically” to “Download updates but let me choose”. You can do this by clicking on the *Start* icon (bottom left of the screen), going to *Control Panel* then “*Windows Update*” then *Settings* (details may vary according to which version you have).



We understand that the free download of Windows 10 will cease on 29 July - after that it will cost £99.99. The free upgrade is for Windows 7 and 8 users only, so if you are using an earlier version of Windows you will have to pay anyway. We’re told that all of the earlier teething problems have been ironed out.

However, if like me you are happy using Windows 7, Microsoft will continue to support it until 2020. A *Streetlife* reader recommends magazine that will answer all your Windows 10 questions including how to simply fix any bugs or problems that appeared in 10 since its launch: *The Definitive Guide to Windows 10* (on sale in local supermarkets and Amazon)

Essex Libraries catalogue goes mobile The new version is easier to access on all devices – including tablet computers and smart phones - and offers access to eBooks and eMagazines (which can be downloaded onto your smart phone, PC or tablet).



Tailored reading lists are also available for different age groups. <https://librarycatalogue.essex.gov.uk>

Phoning Loughton Library- the direct number is 0208 502 0181 (thanks to LRA Cllr Philip Beales for the information).

If you have had a road collision that does not require police attendance, you can report it here: <https://www.essex.police.uk/collision/index.php> [EFNW]

Untaxed vehicle? You can report offending vehicles at <https://forms.dft.gov.uk/report-an-untaxed-vehicle/> having first checked at <https://www.vehicleenquiry.service.gov.uk/> to see if it is taxed /MOT’d (you need the make, registration mark, and colour of the vehicle).



You cannot of course check foreign vehicles there, but vehicles with foreign number plates can be used without registering or taxing it in the UK

if all of the following apply:

- The driver is visiting and doesn’t plan to live here
- the vehicle is registered and taxed in its home country

- its used for up to 6 months in total (a single visit, or several shorter visits over 12 months).
If the driver becomes a resident or stays for longer than 6 months the vehicle must be registered and taxed in the UK.

Reporting anti-social behaviour.

If there is any potential for violence phone 999.

If something is just noisy, phone the District Council 24-hour service on 01992 564000.

Using social media - for guidance of what can and cannot be said on social media see

www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-25210867

Psychoactive Substances Act, which bans ‘legal highs’, now in force <http://bit.ly/1Wj6U2n>

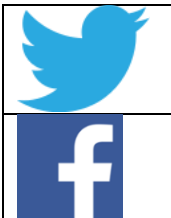
Psychoactive Substances Act

A blanket ban on so-called ‘legal highs’

Home Office

MAY 26
Comes into effect from **26 May 2016**

New powers for police and tough sentences of **up to 7 years** for offenders



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NOTES

1. We expect to send out the next news bulletin on Friday July 1st.
2. In the process of drafting these items and sending them by email, some links to websites or email addresses can be broken; you can get round this by right-clicking on the link and then clicking “open” or, if this does not work, by cutting and pasting the address into an email or browser as appropriate.
3. If a web address doesn't work, or anything else is wrong, please let us know at david.linnell@loughtonresidents.co.uk
4. LRA gives no warranty about, and will take no responsibility for, items or services offered – purchasers/users should make their own enquiries, and will be acting at their own risk.
5. To enlarge a picture, click on it and then drag one of the corners outwards
6. EFNW = Epping Forest Neighbourhood Watch

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