

# MAYFIELD LABOUR

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## NEWS FROM YOUR LOCAL LABOUR PARTY



Cllr. Ayodhiya Parkash

Redbridge has a Conservative Council. Here in Mayfield you have one Labour Councillor and 2 Conservative.

Have you ever seen your Conservative Councillors?

Where is their newsletter or news of what they are doing?

Draw your own conclusions?

Labour's Team works for you on a regular basis.

Labour's Cllr. Parkash lives in Mayfield, is a regular attender at the Town Hall and runs regular advice surgeries in the Ward.

## MORE TORY CUTS

Labour has opposed the latest batch of Tory cuts dressed up as budget proposals. Our Councillors moved proposals to support poor families unable to afford school uniform, and funding this by scrapping the money wasted on the Redbridge Life Newspaper. The Tories rejected the proposals, and uniform grants will be scrapped instead.

Despite our opposition they also ploughed ahead with proposals to cut jobs in Leisure Services, responsible for parks and libraries.

## BUT WE WIN ON DAY CENTRE CHARGES

Last year the Tories closed the Mildmay Day Centre attended by many local elderly. The Tories showing that they really know how to hit the most vulnerable again and again proposed to increase the charges for attending all the other day centres that the Mildmay pensioners were moved to. Finally after Labour opposition led by Labour's Area 6 Chair, Cllr. Filly Maravala they were forced to back down on these proposals..

**CLLR. PARKASH COUNCILLORS  
ADVICE SURGERY**  
Parkside Community Centre  
Goodmayes Lane  
6 p.m. to 7 p.m.  
1st. And 3rd Friday's of the month  
*No appointment needed*

**MIKE GAPES M.P.**  
*Regular Advice Sessions  
In Ilford*

**RING 020 7219 6485**  
*For Appointment*



## PROGRESS AT LAST ON PARK

As you know Cllr. Parkash has been pushing for improvements in South Park for years against a background of constant cuts by the Conservative Council.

At last they are listening, you will have seen the outdoor Fitness Equipment arrive, the tennis courts have been resurfaced and the basket ball court is now receiving attention. At long last, after a gap of many years we have a regular Park Keeper on duty 5 days a week

In January after yet more representations by Cllr. Parkash a response was received about the flooding at the bottom end sluices on the lake. A contractor was instructed to siphon off the water and the path was cleaned and made safe for use. A camera inspection has been authorised to provide a detailed survey of the drains to see what changes have to be made to stop the flooding occurring again.

Meanwhile the area around this end of the lake is being cleared for new planting, the object being to aid the drainage and encourage the geese to roost elsewhere in the Park. New planting is in progress near the South Park Road entrance gates and this summer the Park should begin to look something like its old self for the first time in years.

There is now a Park User Group in operation to make sure the Council keeps up the improvements. If you want to be put in touch with its organisers, ring our Answerphone line or ask Cllr.Parkash.

## GOOD NEWS! CLEANER STREETS!

We knew you are tired of the problems of untidy areas and gardens piled high with old furniture Your Labour led Area 6 Committee have now funded a free bulky refuse service.

To take advantage of the service ring 020 8554 5000. Make sure you say you are a Area 6 resident.

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## WHO ATTENDS THE TOWN HALL?

Mayfield Conservative Councillor Robert Whitehall has been present for just 45% of the expected attendances at meetings. He has given apologies for 67% of his absences, but from other meetings such as the Area 6 Committees on 18 September and 17 December 2008 he has just been absent.

Meanwhile Labour's Cllr. Parkash has managed a 111% attendance. How did he manage that? By attending all those meetings he is supposed to and turning up at other committee's where he is not a member but has a constituent's case to raise.

## SCHOOLS CRISIS

There has been record investment by the Labour Government in schools. Locally we have benefited from extensions to Loxford School and by money towards the new Academy at Crickelfields.

Meanwhile there is a school place crisis especially at primary level. Children are being directed to schools as far away as Hainault and brothers and sisters are being split between schools. This is because the Conservative Council failed to correctly plan for the projected numbers of children.

Do you have a school place problem? Contact us and we will see if we can assist.

## ACTION ON FLOODING

Cllr. Parkash has pursued the issue of flooding at the corner of South Park Road and Golfe Road. There is now a promise from Essex and Suffolk Water to sort the problem out.

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