

# IN FOCUS STRATFORD AND WEST HAM

April 2011

## Working together to tackle ASB

Noise pollution, drug dealing, littering and dog fouling were just some of the issues plaguing residents in the Chandos Road area – but councillors and the community are working on a solution.

Chandos residents were fed up with noise pollution and dog fouling in the Chandos Road play area and a local crackhouse, so they contacted their local councillor, Terry Paul, and the police for help.

Through regular meetings Newham Council's community safety, the police and councillors worked closely with residents to find a solution.

With the help of community intelligence, the police investigated and eventually shut down the crackhouse. The police and council continue to monitor the situation with residents' help.

The council's street scene enforcement officers have been regularly patrolling the open space and have ensured it has been cleaned to remove fly tips and litter. They can issue an £80 on-the-spot fine for littering and a £75 on-the-spot fine to anyone allowing dog fouling.

Dog control orders, which will ban dogs (except guide dogs) from the play



(l-r) Cllr Terry Paul, Richard Crawford, PCSO Ben Beecroft, Lisa Spencer, Bayli and Gracie-May fighting against ASB in Chandos Road Open Space

area, will be enforced by the street scene enforcement officers from next month.

Environmental improvements are also being carried out to Chandos Road Open Space to make it more secure. These include:

- putting anti-wrap chains on the swings – this reduces noise nuisance
- new higher railing around Chandos Community Centre car park
- improving lighting
- removing shrubs
- new chicane barriers at the pedestrian entrances to the park.

Stratford ward councillor, Terry Paul, said: "The results have been down to a really good joint effort.

"The main message I'd like to convey is that you don't have to put up with it – get in touch with your councillor or phone the council."

### Useful phone numbers:

**Newham Council ASB hotline – 08007 313 300**

**Stratford SNT - 020 8721 2727 or email [Stratford.snt@met.police.uk](mailto:Stratford.snt@met.police.uk)**

**To report a non-emergency crime to the police – 03001 231 212**

**In an emergency always call 999**

### CONTACT US

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## Tickets for the Olympics now on sale



Make sure you don't miss the biggest sporting event happening on your doorstep next year – the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games.

Tickets have gone on sale and you have until 11.59pm on Tuesday 26 April to submit your application. There is no advantage to submitting your application on the first or last day.

Applications for Paralympic Games tickets will be open in September 2011 and will follow a similar sales process.

The only way to apply for a ticket in the UK is at [www.tickets.london2012.com](http://www.tickets.london2012.com). This is London 2012's official site. You can also get a postal application from any Lloyds TSB branch. Don't buy a ticket from an unauthorised website or tout. You risk being scammed, and not getting the ticket you wanted and paid for.

If you get a ticket for an event you can't attend, you can return your ticket to get a refund through the London 2012 official ticket exchange. Your ticket will then be officially resold.



## ROBERT THE TANK ENGINE RETURNS

The much loved 80-year-old steam engine, Robert, has returned to Stratford Regional Station this month. He was moved in March 2008 from the taxi rank and coach stand to allow work to improve the station to be completed.

The steam locomotive, which acts as a reminder of Stratford's railway past, was temporarily moved to East Anglian Railway Museum in

Essex, where it got a new crimson coat of paint.

The 38-tonne saddle tank locomotive was built by the Avonside Engine Company of Bristol to work the Lamport Ironstone mines railway near Brixworth, Northamptonshire and has been a feature of Stratford Station for more than a decade.

Look out for him outside the station, to the right as you exit.

## Royal Mail creates a new E20 postcode for the Olympic Park



Royal Mail has given the Olympic Park its own E20 postcode with more than 100 postcodes being allocated to new venues being built.

The new postcode has been introduced to cover the site which falls across four London boroughs and it will help Royal Mail's Docklands delivery office sort mail for the area.

E20 covers residential apartments in the Athletes Village and the

Westfield Stratford City shopping centre. It will also serve five new neighbourhoods the Olympic Park Legacy Company plan to create after the 2012 Games, when the area will be renamed the Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park.

Construction of the first new neighbourhood will start in 2013 and up to 8,000 homes will be built over the next 20 years.

# Stratford sprang into ACTION

Zumba, cake decorating, making people shapes out of vegetables, free health checks and learning what Olympic opportunities are on the horizon were just some of the activities that residents enjoyed at last month's spring festival in the Old Town Hall Stratford.



(l-r) Cllrs Richard Crawford, Charlene McLean, John Gray and Ron Manley quiz the experts on Stratford City developments



Cllr Terry Paul watches on as youngsters get creative with vegetables

More than 2,000 people attended the free council-organised event, which saw community groups come together and showcase activities that take place at their centres – such as Community Links' Play, Sow and Grow, Ronald Openshaw Nursery and Chandos Community Centre – to name just a few.

You also had the chance to suggest facts to be printed on benches that

will be dotted throughout the Olympic Park – this is part of the Olympic Delivery Authority's fantastic factology competition.

Live entertainment came from the best of Stratford's up and coming talent; the Deborah Day Dance School and Carpenters Primary School choirs hit the high notes with their upbeat songs and dances

## Stratford RPZ changes

There are currently five Residential Parking Zones (RPZs) in Stratford. With Westfield Stratford City set to open in September, Newham Council wants to review the RPZs.

The RPZs were initially introduced to ensure that everyday life for residents and businesses could be made as hassle-free as possible and to prevent congestion in residential streets caused by all-day parking by commuters and construction traffic.

However Westfield Stratford City will bring even more visitors to Stratford. To ensure that residents and businesses don't suffer, Newham Council is reviewing all five RPZs.



Over the coming weeks look out for a questionnaire coming through your door, which you can either fill out and return by post or complete online.

**To see maps and hours of operation for all the RPZs visit [www.newham.gov.uk/RPZ](http://www.newham.gov.uk/RPZ)**

## Sunday Funday

Don't say we didn't tell you on time – Sunday Funday is coming to you soon. Make sure you mark it in your diary – Sunday 29 May from 12noon-6pm.

Guaranteed to break the fun-o-meter with FREE live music, sports demos, street entertainers and lots more.

Sunday Funday, Sunday 29 May, 12noon-6pm - Stratford Park, Town Centre and Old Town Hall, E15



## Spotlight on...

# Cancer Your Are Not Alone (CYANA)

**CYANA was set up 27 years ago by two women, who were at a loss after finishing their cancer treatment in hospital, where they met.**

Twenty-seven years on, and with a small team of staff and volunteers, CYANA, continues to provide much needed support for people affected by any cancer across Newham.

Manager, Tina Dugard, said: "We provide emotional support for cancer victims and their families. Everyone who works here is passionate about what they do and has been touched by cancer in some way."

Delores Small has been coming to CYANA for 16 years. She said: "I was diagnosed with breast cancer in 1991. After my treatment, I felt lost; I would just sit there and cry.

"My doctor referred me to CYANA after my operation. The people here were a tower of strength and became my second family. There's such a homely

atmosphere here and there's always someone there – you don't have to be on your own."

Supported by NHS Newham, CYANA offers one-to-one counselling, support groups, home visits, social opportunities and outreach work. It also offers a range of complementary therapies alongside conventional medical treatment including Indian head massage, reiki, reflexology, hot stone massage and aromatherapy.

**To find out more, call CYANA based in Snowhill Road, Manor Park, on 020 8553 5366 or email [cyana1@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:cyana1@tiscali.co.uk)**



CYANA staff and support group

## WHAT'S ON STRATFORD AND WEST HAM

### Abbey Gardens FREE gardening sessions – extra dates added

Tuesday, 1-3pm  
Thursday, 4-7pm  
Saturday, 10am-3pm  
Abbey Gardens  
Bakers Row, E15  
For more information visit [www.abbeygardens.org](http://www.abbeygardens.org)

### Stratford Library movie nights

- Stratford Library screens two free films a month fortnightly on Thursdays 6pm prompt start. All the films screened are adaptations from books.  
Next film is Slumdog Millionaire (12)  
Thursday 28 April, starts 6pm  
Stratford Library, 3 The Grove, E15  
Cost: FREE  
Call the library on 020 3373 0826 for more information

**For even more things to do check out the What's On in Newham calendar, where you'll find listings for more than 6,000 events visit [www.newham.com](http://www.newham.com)**

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## MEET YOUR LOCAL COUNCILLOR

**Councillors out and about:** If you would like a councillor to visit your community organisation, school, place of worship, meeting or event please call 020 3373 6045 or email [laura.beswick@newham.gov.uk](mailto:laura.beswick@newham.gov.uk)  
To email your local councillor write [firstname.lastname@newham.gov.uk](mailto:firstname.lastname@newham.gov.uk) e.g. [richard.crawford@newham.gov.uk](mailto:richard.crawford@newham.gov.uk)



Richard Crawford



Charlene McLean



Terry Paul

### Stratford and Newtown Ward

Every Saturday  
10.30am  
St John's Church  
Stratford Broadway, E15



Freda Bourne



John Gray



Ron Manley

### West Ham Ward

Cllr Bourne  
Second Saturday of the month  
10 - 11am Rokeby Community Centre,  
Rokeby Street, E15  
Fourth Saturday of the month  
10 - 11am Vicarage Lane Community Centre,  
Vicarage Lane, E15

Cllr Gray  
Third Saturday of the month  
10 - 11am Rokeby Community Centre,

Rokeby Street, E15  
Second Saturday of the month  
10 - 11am Vicarage Lane Community Centre,  
Vicarage Lane, E15

Cllr Manley  
First Saturday of the month  
10 - 11am Rokeby Children's Centre, Rokeby  
Street, E15  
Fourth Saturday of the month  
10 - 11am Leather Gardens TA, 1st Floor,  
Brassett Point, Abbey Road, Stratford, E15

**Need to talk to Mayor Sir Robin Wales?** Being an elected mayor, Sir Robin is directly accountable to you. Look out for Question Time times and dates in the Newham Mag, visit [www.newham.gov.uk/mayor](http://www.newham.gov.uk/mayor) or call 020 3373 0437.