

OUR PRIORITIES



Dear colleague

In June we launched the Council Priorities Conversation and asked residents to make their opinion count by helping us set the Council's service priorities up to 2014.

The proposed priorities and commitments, which were based on a wealth of resident insight, received overwhelming support from the 1,500 residents who took part in the conversation. These priorities will set the direction of the Council's work and focus our resources where they benefit our residents the most.

We know that staff are the key to delivering our promises, and every single employee has a role to play. An extraordinary amount of good work has been undertaken across the Council over recent years, despite a tough financial climate. To succeed we need to continue to work together to make sure every action and penny counts towards improving the daily lives of our residents.

Thank you for your hard work so far, we have ambitions to make Waltham Forest a better place for our residents and we hope everyone will continue to play their part.

Chris Robbins

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Leader of the Council

Martin Esom

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Chief Executive



Waltham Forest

COUNCIL PRIORITIES 2012 -2014



Priority: Making our community a safer place

Commitment:

- Continue to pay for extra police officers
- Work with our young people at risk of joining gangs to make sure they have a positive alternative
- Create an anti-social behaviour task force to tackle anti-social behaviour throughout the borough
- Target bad landlords and support good ones

Priority: Bringing you better shopping, streets and leisure

Commitment:

- Work to make our high streets thrive with a variety of shops and services to meet your needs
 - Upgrade our pavements and roads
 - Bring a cinema to the borough and rebuild or upgrade all of the borough's leisure centres
 - Improve every park in the borough
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Priority: Keeping our borough clean

Commitment:

- Guarantee to continue to provide a weekly waste and recycling service
- Work constantly to keep our streets clean and litter free
- Not tolerate those who fly-tip and dump rubbish in our borough and will push for more powers to prosecute offenders
- Offer an unlimited and free collection of bulky waste items from your doorstep

Priority: Helping you and your family

Commitment:

- Not raise council tax and will continue to fund the freedom pass
- Make sure you have access to training and education that helps you get a job whatever your age
- Support schools so that they can deliver a high quality education for our young people in decent buildings
- Work with the community to keep vulnerable adults and children safe

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Our priorities reflect the Council's ambition to create a better place for residents to live; and we will continue to deliver for residents where it matters most despite the economic difficulties the borough faces.

The Council will be driven by the priorities and commitments and they will be reflected in every aspect of the work the Council does across all directorates:

- **Making our community a safer place**
- **Keeping our borough clean**
- **Bringing you better shopping, streets and leisure**
- **Helping you and your family**

You can talk directly to your line manager to find out more on how you are working towards these priorities or read more on the results from the survey and the work planned over the next two years by visiting www.walthamforest.gov.uk/makeitcount

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