

FOCUS

on Eltham South

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Paddick: I will tackle crime



Liberal Democrat London
Mayoral candidate Brian Paddick

Local area is 'burglary hotspot'

According to figures released by the Met Police, some parts of Greenwich Borough are in the top 20 residential areas of London with the most burglaries.

Local London campaigner **Brian Robson** says, "We need more fully trained and equipped police officers out patrolling our local streets rather than spending their valuable time doing paperwork in police stations."

Brian Paddick is serious about keeping our streets safe.

After 30 years as a policeman on the front line in the fight against crime in the capital, Brian will make cutting crime his top priority as Mayor.

He has pledged to reduce crime in London by 5% every year in his first term and will focus on getting knives and guns off our streets.

Commenting, Brian said "It's shameful that after so long in office, Ken Livingstone has failed to reach his own crime targets and has let Londoners down. People don't feel safe in their neighbourhoods, young people are killing each other in our communities and knife crime is on the rise.

"I've got the experience needed to really tackle crime, I've got a proven track record not just spin and empty promises."

Save our post offices!



*Cllr Brian Robson
campaigning against more
post office closures*

Local Liberal Democrats are fighting plans to close another five post offices across the Borough.

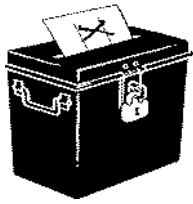
After thousands of post office closures in recent years, Gordon Brown's Labour Government now say that 2,500 more will be axed - **169 of those are in London - 20% of all post offices.**

Local Lib Dem London Assembly candidate **Cllr Brian Robson** says, "Post offices provide a vital community service. These closures will hit local people, especially older residents, very hard indeed. The Liberal Democrats are determined to fight these closures."

You can help the campaign to fight the closures by signing our petition online at: www.ourcampaign.org.uk/GreenwichPOs

Polling day is Thursday 1st May

There will be three sets of ballot papers.



One each for:

- the Mayor
- the London list
- the local constituency.

If you require a postal ballot please call 020 8921 5184 or email elect@greenwich.gov.uk by 16th April at the latest.

Public transport in London is often overcrowded, unreliable and expensive.

Brian Paddick has proposed practical solutions to the capital's transport problems.

A scheme so that people can use an unlimited number of buses within an hour, putting guards onto the tube at night and overhauling the Congestion Charge will get people out of their cars and onto



Smarter, Safer, Greener Transport

Brian Paddick: Stop NHS Cuts

Lib Dem mayoral candidate **Brian Paddick** (pictured right, on the far side) and local London Assembly candidate **Cllr Brian Robson** recently joined hundreds of local people on a march to save Queen Mary's Hospital in Sidcup.



Brian Robson said, "The march showed the strength of feeling against the 'Picture of Health' consultation. All three proposed options involve slashing services at Queen Mary's. This will add to the existing pressure at Queen Elizabeth Hospital in Woolwich.

"The proposed cuts will not solve the financial mismanagement of Labour's PFI hospitals, which had led to our local hospitals being millions pounds in debt. Patients must not suffer because of Labour's mishandling of the NHS."

Crime and Policing:

Residents have their say

Local residents across the area have been letting Lib Dem mayoral candidate Brian Paddick have their views on crime and local policing.

Local campaigner Mark Pattenden says, "Thousands of surveys have been sent out across Eltham South and so far the response has been great. Thank you to everyone who has sent their survey back."

"We want to hear from as many people as possible, so if you have not yet filled in your crime survey, it's still not too late to send it back."

Alternatively you can complete it online at: www.greenwich.libdems.org.uk/surveys.html

It matters what YOU think...

If you know of a local problem which needs attention use this space to have your own say...

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