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End-of-year report

August—December 2013

Writing my end-of-year report provides me not only with the opportunity to keep the people I represent updated on my work, but it gives me the chance to reflect on what has been a very busy year. With all the meetings and events I have attended, the number of blogs I've written, the numerous campaigns I've run and the time I've spent with people in Hackney, Islington, Waltham Forest and further afield, it is only at times of reflection like this that I truly realise how busy I have been and what a privilege it is to fight the corner of Londoners here at City Hall—and producing real results on a wide range of issues.

The format of this report was something that me and my team talked about at length. We decided that less is more and have tried to make a visually-engaging, succinct report that gives a good overview of the meetings I've had, casework I've completed, and the wider campaigning I've done to challenge Mayor Boris Johnson, the national Government, and the organisations that make up the GLA family—namely, Transport for London (TfL), the Metropolitan Police Service (MPS), the Mayor's Office of Policing and Crime (MOPAC), the London Legacy Development Corporation (LLDC) and the London Fire and Emergency Planning Authority (LFEPA). We decided to limit this report to the time frame between August and December 2013, as August was when my new team was established. If you want to read more about the content of this report, you can do so by clicking on the hyperlinks within this document.

Should you like to receive a hard copy of this report, or require any further information on any of my work, please do not hesitate to contact me at 0207 983 4349 or via Duncan at duncan.maclean@london.gov.uk. I'm looking forward to continuing the fight in 2014.

Jennette

My work in numbers... August—December 2013



6,034 tweets in total
3,061 followers



2 events

[Digital Women UK](#)
[Annual Lord Pitt lecture](#)



23 Assembly Meetings

- 4 Mayor's Question Times
- 4 Assembly Plenaries
- 7 Police and Crime Committee meetings
- 2 Regeneration Committee meetings
- 4 Oversight Committee meetings
- 2 Education Panel meetings

4 speeches

- [TUC Conference](#)
- [Labour Friends of Turkey](#)
- Walthamstow Pensioners
- Young BAME Labour

4 site visits

- [Olympic Park](#)
- Deptford and New Cross
- [Sullivan Primary School](#)
- Gascoigne Primary School



WWW.

28 blogs on website
1,002 unique visitors to website
Across **10** countries



Mentored **16** young people
- including young BME people, people looking to get into politics, health, education and local government, and as part of Children's Commissioner Takeover Day



1,188 followers

LONDONWIDE CAMPAIGNS:

- 1. **Fighting the removal of all conductors from the Overground network**
- 2. **Fighting the closures of TfL ticket offices**
- 3. **Fighting the Home Office and Border Agency's 'Go Home' campaigns around London**
- 4. **Fighting the Home Office's rules on deporting some international students**
- 5. **Fighting the Department for Communities and Local Government's campaign for the removal of Gypsy and Traveller sites**
- 6. **Fighting against Boris's cuts to fire services across London, including Clerkenwell and Kingsland fire stations**
- 7. **Voting against Boris's plan to set affordable housing rents at 80% market value**

VISIT:

Forest YMCA

Visited a pioneering scheme, called mYPad, which provides temporary accommodation for homeless people and provides them with opportunities to learn skills to help with employment prospects

LONDONWIDE VISITS:



- 1. **Visit to the British Transport Police's offices in Westminster to discuss their campaign to fight sexual harassment on the TfL network, Project Guardian.**
- 2. **Visit to Wood Green Crown Court to see their Victim Support services and the impact cuts will have on the service**
- 3. **Visit to the Arlington Scheme in Camden, a centre for homeless people**
- 4. **Visit to Making Freedom in Kensington, an exhibition on slavery in the Caribbean**

CASEWORK:

Homelessness

Assisted a young constituent and her family with their eviction from their home as a result of the changes to benefits. Resulted in them finding accommodation and the support they needed to deal with their housing and social needs.

CASEWORK:

Homelessness

Assisted a constituent facing homelessness as a result of the changes to benefits. Through legal aid, she was able to stop her eviction

VISIT:

City Safe Walk with B6 College

Spent the day with students of B6 Sixth Form College to promote collaborative working with local business to ensure that shops, streets and members of the public remain safe

VISIT:

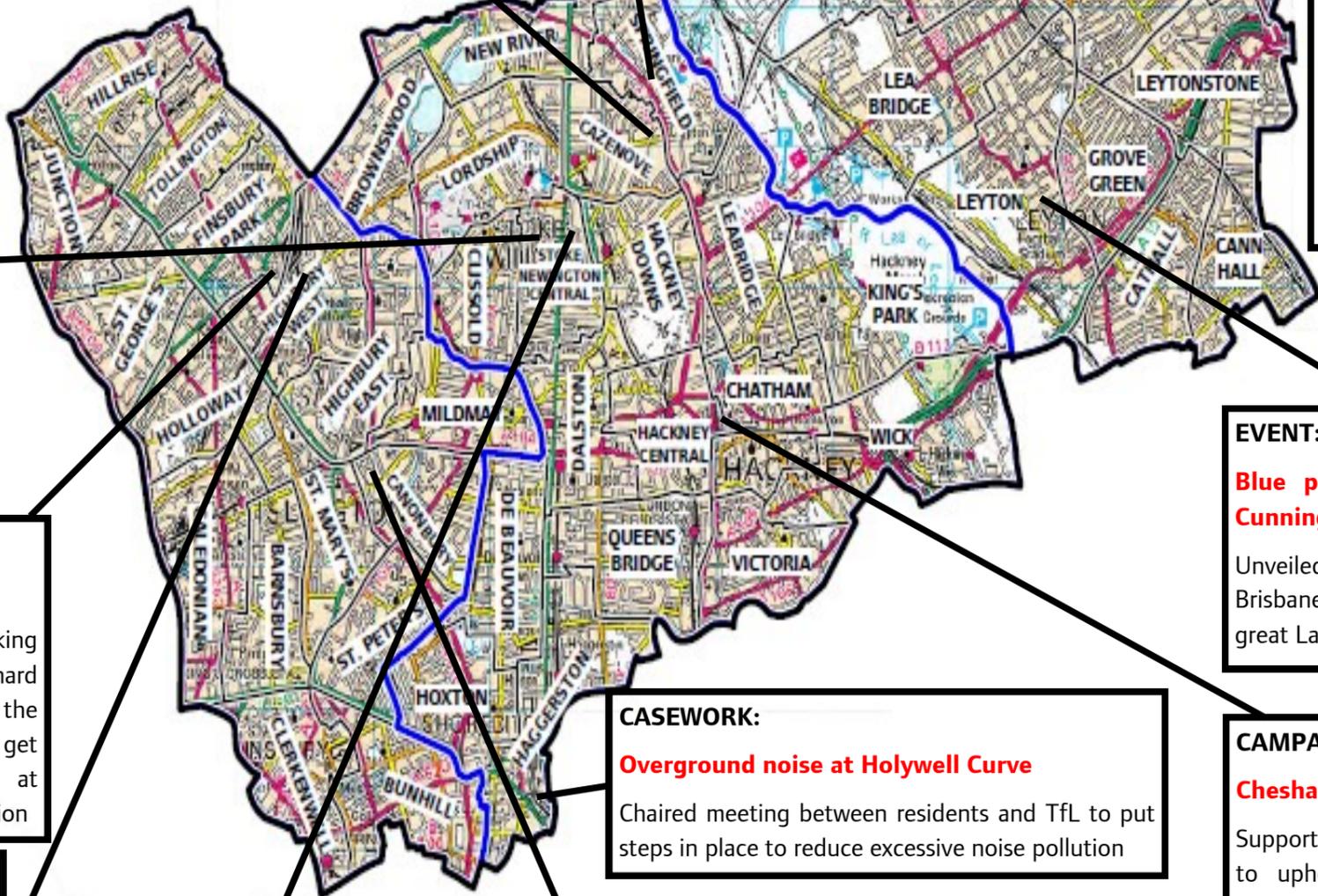
Waltham Forest Business and Skills Unit

Visited the first Business and Skills Unit in England, which joins up the work of Waltham Forest Council, the job centre, the Prince's Trust and education services to ensure that people—particularly young people—can get the necessary skills they need to find employment

VISIT:

Stop and Search shadowing

Accompanied PS Matt Ratana and his team on the beat to observe them carry out stop and search powers



CAMPAIGN:

Finsbury Park

Continued working with Cllr Richard Greening on the partnership to get step-free access at Finsbury Park station

EVENT:

Blue plaque for Laurie Cunningham

Unveiled the blue plaque at Brisbane Road for the late, great Laurie Cunningham

EVENT:

Gillespie Park

Unveiling of a new mosaic at the entrance to the park

CAMPAIGN:

Wilmer Place

Supported residents with their campaign to stop a planning application at Wilmer Place

CASEWORK:

Overground noise at Holywell Curve

Chaired meeting between residents and TfL to put steps in place to reduce excessive noise pollution

CASEWORK:

Dangerous cycling Essex Road

Helped get more police patrols to ensure cyclists adhered to the Highway Code & those cyclists who failed to follow it were held to account

CAMPAIGN:

Chesham Arms

Supported the campaign to uphold the Chesham Arms as an Asset of Community Value which stopped it being knocked down and the site re-developed