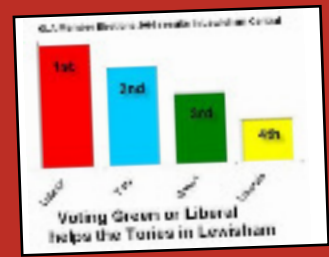


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Getting Tough on Bad Dog Owners

Labour in Lewisham have made cracking down on bad dog owners a top priority. Dog Control Orders were introduced last November which result in on the spot fines for the following offences:

- Failing to pick up dog mess in a public place
- Not keeping dogs on a lead in designated areas such as signposted sections of parks
- Allowing a dog to enter an area where they are excluded, like a children's play area.

Local dog owner, **Labour's Damien Egan** (pictured with his dog Molly) said:

"Picking up after your dog is so easy that there really are no excuses. I'm glad our Labour Council have introduced these tough new measures as it was becoming a nuisance. If we work together we can make our parks cleaner for everyone."

You can help by reporting nuisance dog owners to Lewisham Council by calling **020 8314 2098**.

For more information about responsible dog ownership, including information if you think you could rescue a dog like Molly, go to www.battersea.org.uk Under Labour's new proposals owners of dangerous dogs will have to muzzle their dogs and all dog owners will need be required to microchip and insure their pets.



Tories cut your Police

Tory Boris Johnson plans to cut 455 police officers after resigning as chair of the Metropolitan Police Authority.

Over £16 million will be slashed from the police budget as a result of Johnson's decision.

Your Labour Action Team are campaigning for Boris Johnson to commit to retaining Safer Neighbourhood Teams (SNTs) in Lewisham. Labour introduced SNTs so residents have a visible, contactable and local police service. The Tories should be backing SNTs, not trying to cut them.



Mike Harris (left) and Damien Egan (right) with Energy and Climate Change Minister Joan Ruddock MP in the new eco-zone

Labour to slash carbon emissions by over 20% in Lewisham Central

Over 700 homes around Lewisham Park have been earmarked as an Eco Zone which aims to reduce carbon emissions by a fifth by 2012. After Labour councillors lobbied the Greater London Authority, Lewisham Central was chosen to host 1 of the 10 zones being set up in London. Businesses have been encouraged to help fund the Lewisham Zone and funding has already hit £600,000! Money will go towards a range of practical measures to help people reduce their carbon emissions and energy bills. These will include free loft insulation for all homes in the zone and other energy saving measures. Even if you don't live in the zone you can benefit from a wide range of projects. Contact the council's team at energy@lewisham.gov.uk to find out how.

Better Facilities and Free Swimming in Lewisham



Since July 2009, over 42000 people have taken advantage of Labour's free swimming scheme in Lewisham. Labour will deliver a brand new state of the art leisure centre in the centre of Lewisham to complement new and extended pools across the borough.

Love Lewisham - Play Your Part



Labour is making it easier for residents to report fly tipping and graffiti. Download the new LoveLewisham iphone app. or visit lovelewisham.org to send pictures direct to Council staff. Together we can keep Lewisham clean and tidy.

Investing in Lewisham's Schools



Labour in Lewisham are investing in the biggest schools rebuilding programme in fifty years with every single school being either rebuilt or refurbished. In our area, Hither Green Primary School is one of the top 10 most improved schools in the UK.

Healthier Lewisham



Labour successfully campaigned to save A&E services at University Hospital Lewisham. The hospital has been expanded with the opening of the Riverside Building. We will continue to campaign to retain services in Lewisham where they are needed.



Vote Labour: make a difference

People sometimes say to me that political parties are all the same and that voting doesn't make a difference; I think that's wrong. All around Lewisham, you can see the difference that a Labour Government, working with a Labour Council is making. Without this combination, we wouldn't have children's centres or new school buildings, we wouldn't have a minimum wage or tax credits and we wouldn't have a Police Safer Neighbourhood Team in every ward.

If you look at Tory run boroughs, they don't have free swimming for over-60s and under-16s as we do in Lewisham, they haven't set up apprenticeship schemes for young people like Labour have in Lewisham and they cut services for the most vulnerable in society.

Only by voting can you have your say on what happens in your area. Only by voting Labour can you protect what has been achieved in Lewisham for the future.

If you want to discuss anything further, why not e-mail me on mayor.steve@yahoo.co.uk

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