



# EastEnd



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## STOP THE HIGHWAY!

THE LDDC, that unelected, faceless bunch of bureaucrats are pushing ahead with their 'road improvement' plans.

### MOTORWAY

They want to build new roads and widen others, from the Tower of London to Beckton, to be called the "Docklands Highway". This £200 million motorway will include a 'super road' tunnel under Limehouse and a new bridge over the River Lea.

### WHO BENEFITS?

Is this what we've been waiting for for so long? The desperately needed improvements to make the roads safer, the lead/pollution lower, more buses, and so on?

LIKE F\*\*\* IT IS!

### OFFICES & YUPPIES

This scar through East London is not being built

for us (suprise, suprise!) No, it's purely for the new offices being built on the Island - or "l'Isle des Chiens" as the estate agents want it renamed - and the yuppies in their posh Dockland flats.

### PARASITES!

Nobody objects to the rebuilding of the old docks, but it should be local people who decide how.

Now all we see are new houses, flats and offices for financial wheelers and dealers; parasites who don't do anything useful or practical, but play with numbers for their rich clients - gambling with our jobs and lives!

TAKEN TO THE CLEANERS! But maybe we shouldn't be so cynical. After all there will be hundreds of part-time, 5.a.m. start office cleaning jobs! BRILLIANT!

### STOP THAT ROAD!

This road can and must be

stopped. The local anger must succeed. Already there have been protests:

On Friday 17th July, 50 people blocked the rush-hour traffic on the Highway in Wapping. Local people carry the memory of the accidents there have been and the many more a six-lane motorway would bring.

In Poplar an angry meeting a few weeks back slammed the LDDC over plans to demolish a school off Cotton Street for 'road improvements'.

And in Limehouse there is anger at the prospect of the Supertunnel, and the demolition of blocks on the St.Vincent and Shipwright Estates.

### HIGHWAY ROBBERY

As people are saying, it's Highway Robbery!

Don't let the criminals of the LDDC and their rich backers get away with it!

## JUNKIE YUPPIES

Well would you believe it those poor over-worked yuppies are on drugs. They are having to supplement their diet with cocaine to keep themselves going.

How tragic it must be, the stress of making all that money and not knowing what to spend it on once they have bought their luxury flat and posh car. Difficult decisions have to be made such as what bistro

to eat at and which wine bar to go to afterwards. Then to top it all the dreaded wheel clamp put on their cars! This would drive anyone to drugs.

Cocaine has now become such a problem even the yuppies' employers have noticed and are insisting on blood tests. Will this result in their being sacked? Of course not - bless their little Harrods socks.

They will be sent to Harley Street Clinics for treatment and given a nice long holiday.

I wonder if this idea will catch on elsewhere. If you have a problem such as alcoholism, tranquiliser or sleeping pill addiction just go to your boss, tell him/her about it. Then with the greatest of sympathy they will give you the sack!



# ROYAL RIP-OFF!

ONCE AGAIN the London Docklands Development Corporation are using a royal celebrity to advertise their activities in the East End.

On Thursday 30th July the Docklands Light Railway will be opened by the Queen.

She is being used by the LDDC to sell not just the railway but also the whole of their plans for the 'regeneration' of Docklands.

If all goes to plan the Government will be able to show the rest of the country what a good job the LDDC are doing and how their policies are benefiting our run-down inner cities.

However, working class people in the East End know better. We know what the LDDC has done to our communities and what will happen if they are not stopped.

## UDCs

Since the General Election the Government have announced plans to set up 'Urban Development Corporations' all over Britain, using the "success" of the LDDC as a blueprint.

We must alert the people in these areas to the realities of 'urban regeneration', so they can start their fightback now.

## BUT HOW CAN WE MAKE OURSELVES HEARD?

When Prince Charles visited the newly-privatised Waterlow Estate in Bethnal Green recently he was greeted by angry demonstrators protesting against the sale of their homes to yuppies.

Although their demonstration didn't stop the privatisation of their estate it did get considerable press

and TV coverage.

Why can't we do the same thing on 30th July?

We know a mere demonstration won't halt the DLR or the LDDC, but it will give us a chance to tell our side of the story.

We can show the rest of the country what UDCs are all about - and show the LDDC and the Government that they won't get their own way without a fight!

REMEMBER, if the opening of the DLR passes without event the LDDC will have even more confidence to go ahead and do just what they want to working class people in the East End.

DON'T LET THEM GET AWAY WITH IT!

## HIGHWAY ROBBERY

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A LOCAL group calling themselves HIGHWAY ROBBERY are campaigning for a Public Inquiry into the Docklands Highway.

They are calling for as many people as possible to attend the Tower Hamlets Council meeting on 28th July.

One Councillor, Cllr. Williams was quoted in Tower Hamlets News as saying "It is my view and that of many of my colleagues that a public enquiry will be necessary."

HIGHWAY ROBBERY want you to be there to make sure Cllr. Williams sticks to his guns!

MEET: 28 JULY - TOWN HALL PATRIOT SQ. E1 at 6.30pm.

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HIGHWAY ROBBERY can be contacted c/o 2 Cable St., E1, tel; 480 5324.

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ACTUAL SIZE!

WITH the gentrification of many parts of the East End young locals are moving away from the capital as house prices rise beyond their reach it was revealed in a house price index produced by the Halifax Building Society. The typical price paid by a first time buyer now is £54,000.

was the editor afraid that somebody might read it?!

## WHAT A RACKET!

GIVEN the disgusting bus service on the Isle of Dogs these days, many Eastenders will heave a sigh of relief when the Docklands Light Railway is opened on 30th July.

With the 56 being rerouted to Wapping and the 277 and D1 being about as frequent as Haley's Comet, any new public transport system is welcome.

## SUSPICIONS

However, many Islanders suspect that the bus services have been deliberately run down to make the DLR more attractive to local residents.

## NOISE

Even before its opening many people who live near the railway have complained about the noise: loud rumbles and hissings.

Once opened, the trains will run every four minutes from 5.30 in the morning until after midnight!

## YUPPIES

Of course the yuppies won't have to worry. Even though the DLR has been built especially so they can get to their highly-paid jobs in the City (and Canary Wharf) the railway line doesn't go anywhere near the luxury developments where they live...strange that, isn't it?

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