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**BECAUSE
COMMUNITIES COUNT.**

A £90million boost for A406 housing



Peter Krakowiak inspecting the housing on the A406

A total of £90 million will be invested to refurbish dilapidated housing along the A406. The money comprises £54 million that Notting Hill Housing Trust (NHHT) will pay to purchase houses from Transport for London (TfL). NHHT will spend a further £36 million to bring the houses up to a decent homes standard. Housing Activist Peter Krakowiak said: *"This is welcome news and was the direct result of tireless campaigning by local residents sick of decades of broken promises."*

Local residents formed the Bowes Telford Community Action Group (BTCAG) following a public meeting organised by the Green Party in September 2005 to find out what was planned for the area. It soon became apparent that Enfield Council and TfL had no plans but to continue blaming each other for the poor state of the area. Peter Krakowiak went on to say: *"Whilst this investment is great news, present tenants must be offered secure tenancies and that any housing development includes private, social housing and shared ownership both to maintain the diverse feel of the area as well as addressing local housing need"*

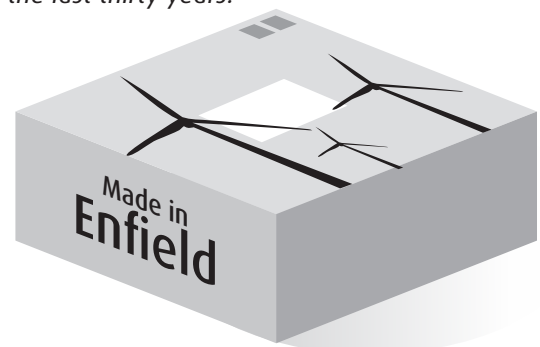
Rebuilding local economies

Big business and big banks played international monopoly and now we find ourselves in the middle of a recession. The taxpayer bailed the banks out, but the banking sector continues to hand out big bonuses. At the same time, unemployment increases by up to 63% in some parts of Enfield.

It's time to build on Enfield's industrial heritage and encourage new industry to base itself across the Borough. This could include the manufacturing of loft and cavity wall insulation, wind turbines and solar panels. Through producing and installing these products, we would create skilled secure jobs and help reduce Britain's carbon footprint.

Jack Johnson, Bowes ward candidate, says: *"We do not accept the future Labour-Tory-Lib*

Dem commitment to cut public spending while cutting national debt. We believe that we need to invest in our communities to reduce Thatcher-like levels of unemployment. Our aim is to create an economy based on green manufacturing and sustainable production, not the boom and bust of the last thirty years."



VOTE

Some people say they don't vote for the Green Party because, 'Greens never get elected'. London has a Green MEP and two London Assembly Members. Green are elected to councils across the country:

- Camden
- Hackney
- Islington
- Lambeth
- Lewisham
- Southwark
- Bradford
- Braintree
- Brighton and Hove
- Bristol
- Cambridge
- Cambridgeshire CC
- Devon CC
- East Lindsey
- Gloucestershire CC
- Herefordshire
- Hertfordshire CC
- Kirklees
- Lancashire CC
- Lancaster
- Leeds
- Leicester
- Liverpool
- Malvern Hills
- Mid Suffolk
- Norfolk CC
- North Somerset
- Norwich City
- Oxford
- Oxfordshire CC
- Rushcliffe
- Scarborough
- Sheffield
- Solihull
- Stroud
- Suffolk CC
- Torridge
- Watford
- Waveney
- Wealden
- York

CC= County Council



A week in the life of... Jenny Jones GP member of the London Assembly

In 2008 we asked you to re-elect Darren Johnson and Jenny Jones, our Green London Assembly Members. You did just that but what do they actually do as Assembly Members?

MONDAY Evening: Brixton for 'People's Question Time' with Boris Johnson and other Assembly members. Highlighted Boris' bus fare increases.

TUESDAY Breakfast: Working group of London Councils to put together a common manifesto on Climate Change. Although I despair at the slow pace, some progress is being made.

Morning: Charing Planning & Housing Committee. Heard evidence on the threat to small shops from the planning process. Small shops are a vital part of a vibrant community, we must work to support them. We've also commissioned a scrutiny of the planning impact on growing food within London, on farmland like Enfield's.

Evening: Evening Standard event for 1,000 Influential People in London, at which I meet several other green-minded people and some senior Met Police officers, which is very useful.

WEDNESDAY Morning: London Assembly plenary. Boris is scrapping a specialist HGV unit that works to keep unsafe lorries off London's road. Also scrapping literally hundreds of Safety Cameras to cut costs.

Afternoon: part of a cross-party delegation to meet Transport Minister Sadiq Khan about train services in South London. Need to find a solution that the Tory Mayor and the Labour Minister can both support, which above all protects an essential local transport service.

Two TV interviews today, (i) unsustainable airport in the Thames Estuary, (ii) Safety Cameras. Although not popular with drivers, Safety Cameras do prevent collisions and save lives. Evening: Meeting in Southwark to protect

green space from development.

THURSDAY Afternoon: Met Sainsburys on their use of Palm Oil - they understand there's a problem, but they don't understand best solution is to stop using it.

Evening: Woodford Green High School Speech Day. The first I've done, and inspiring. Head Girl spoke impressively on Climate Change.

FRIDAY Speak at a Transport/Planning conference, then the Police Authority. I was expecting a briefing on measures to reduce anti-social behaviour, but we were lectured on how to manage the statistics. Sadly, just Labour spin.

Afternoon: Met up with the woman who is sponsored by Operation Black Vote to shadow me for a few days over coming months. Although not Green (yet!), she asked to shadow a Green.

SATURDAY Good seats for the Lord Mayor's show, enjoyable despite the heavy rain. Had to sneak out to talk to LBC Radio on road safety budget cuts. Then straight to 'Peckham Power', the launch of a local electricity network, which I'm very happy to support.

SUNDAY On BBC London with the new Food Minister, Jim Fitzpatrick. He promises on air that they will look carefully at recommendations from the Planning Committee on growing more food in London, and on reducing food waste.

Afternoon: Speak at the annual commemoration for victims of road collisions, organised by the excellent charity, RoadPeace.

Jenny's tweets on her life are on Twitter @ greenjennyjones.

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