

# What Do You Think?

To help us help you, please take a few moments to complete this survey and return it **FREE** to:

**Cllr. Neil Stock,**  
**Freeport RRGs-EKGY-KSCJ,**  
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*Dear resident,*  
*I hope you will find the time to complete this survey. This is your chance to tell us what you think - do you have something to say about your street, your area, or your country? All replies will be read and we will make every effort to deal with your concerns.*  
**Neil Stock**  
*Ardleigh & Little Bromley Ward Councillor*

1. What are the 3 most important national issues affecting you or your family at the moment ?

Transport/congestion <input type="checkbox"/>	Education <input type="checkbox"/>	Health Service <input type="checkbox"/>	Crime <input type="checkbox"/>
Europe/Single Currency <input type="checkbox"/>	Pensions <input type="checkbox"/>	Rising Taxation <input type="checkbox"/>	Unemployment <input type="checkbox"/>
Asylum/Immigration <input type="checkbox"/>	Economy <input type="checkbox"/>	Climate Change <input type="checkbox"/>	Terrorism <input type="checkbox"/>
Iraq/Afghanistan War <input type="checkbox"/>	Other _____		

Do you believe the Labour Government is tackling your concerns adequately? Yes  No

2. What are the 3 most important local issues affecting you or your family at the moment (please give details below)?

Anti-social behaviour <input type="checkbox"/>	Council Tax <input type="checkbox"/>	School standards <input type="checkbox"/>	Condition of roads & footpaths <input type="checkbox"/>
Vandalism/Graffiti <input type="checkbox"/>	Refuse collection <input type="checkbox"/>	Leisure facilities <input type="checkbox"/>	Facilities for young people <input type="checkbox"/>
Street Cleaning/Litter <input type="checkbox"/>	Public Transport <input type="checkbox"/>	Planning <input type="checkbox"/>	Housing <input type="checkbox"/>
Other _____			

3. In your view, which one of the following would make the biggest difference to:

<b>a) Crime</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> More Police	<input type="checkbox"/> Tougher sentences	<input type="checkbox"/> More CCTV
<b>b) Schools</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Cut teachers' paperwork	<input type="checkbox"/> Fewer exams	<input type="checkbox"/> Stronger discipline
<b>c) Hospitals</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> More new hospitals	<input type="checkbox"/> Cleaner hospitals	<input type="checkbox"/> More nurses
<b>d) Immigration</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> An annual limit	<input type="checkbox"/> 24-hour surveillance at ports	<input type="checkbox"/> ID cards
<b>e) Tax</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Raise higher rate threshold	<input type="checkbox"/> Double Stamp Duty threshold	<input type="checkbox"/> Scrap Inheritance Tax

**Crime & Policing**

4. Which, if any, of the following, do you think are serious law and order problems in your area?

<input type="checkbox"/> Burglary	<input type="checkbox"/> Graffiti
<input type="checkbox"/> Car theft	<input type="checkbox"/> Vandalism
<input type="checkbox"/> Anti-social behaviour	


Other \_\_\_\_\_

5. Have you been a victim of crime in the last 5 years?

Yes  No

6. Do you think the area has enough Police Officers?

Yes  No



**Rubbish & Recycling**

7. Do you know of any local roads/areas which have a litter or fly-tipping problem?

Yes  No

If yes, where? \_\_\_\_\_

8. How do you feel local recycling facilities could be improved? \_\_\_\_\_

**Leisure**

9. Which leisure centre/facilities (swimming pool etc.) do you and/or your family use? \_\_\_\_\_

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**Please continue overleaf...**

With Ardleigh & Little Bromley



## Fight To Restore Quiet In Essex

North Essex MP Bernard Jenkin, District Councillor Neil Stock and County Councillor Sarah Candy have been working together to restore quiet in Essex towns and villages.

People living near whistle boards have been tormented day and night by noisy train horns. After a series of meetings with Network Rail and the Transport Minister, rail safety bosses are looking to take action.

Mr Jenkin said, "The new Rail Safety and Standards Board recommendations make for positive reading and show an industry-wide determination to address this issue, which has affected hundreds of my constituents. During the summer, footpaths alongside the track were closed to the public in Ardleigh to negate the need for whistle boards while a more permanent solution was found".

The proposals, which could be in place as early as April 2007, include a night-time 'quiet period' between 2300 and 0700, the use of a lower tone of horn and a new maximum decibel level of 106. "We are not finished with this campaign yet, but at least we are making progress", added Bernard.



Pictured above: The level crossing in Ardleigh

## LOCAL PLAN UPDATE



A public enquiry that will decide how and by how much our villages develop is due to report soon. The Local Plan agreed following the enquiry will establish which land is allocated for development and the criteria by which all planning applications will be judged.

Neil Stock, Councillor for Ardleigh and Little Bromley, has been fully involved in the consultation process. Neil is not only responsible for the policy on sewage for new properties but has submitted over 30 written responses to the plan and appeared before the inspector on behalf of the local community.

Neil said, "The biggest issue facing Ardleigh continues to be planning. Although the final document will be available later this year, work on drawing up the new plan will need to start straight away. It is essential that our villages have a strong say if the area is to develop as we would like".

Have your say on local planning: please take a few minutes to complete the survey on the back of this leaflet.



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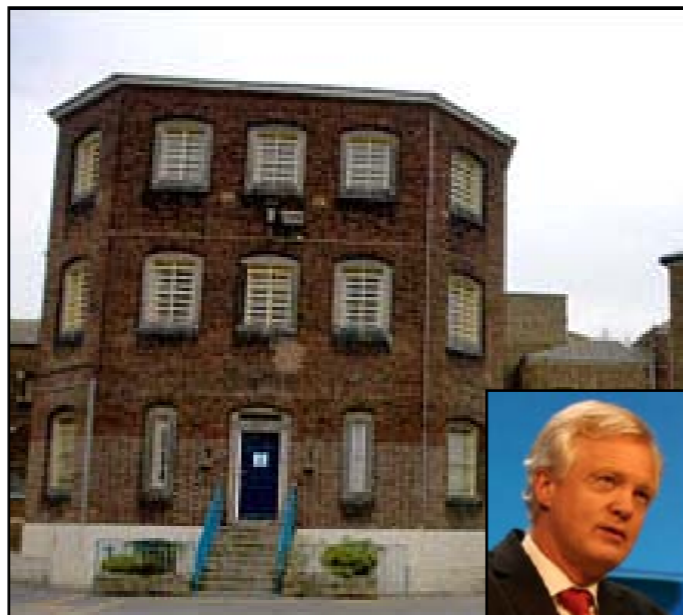
# BROWN AND REID PUT PUBLIC AT RISK

**Shadow Home Secretary David Davis has warned that a Government attempt to limit jail sentences to the most dangerous and persistent criminals will put the public at greater risk.**

Following news that Home Secretary John Reid had written to the judiciary asking judges and magistrates to send fewer people to jail because of chronic overcrowding in prisons, Mr Davis said, "It is outrageous that sentences are being dictated by the prison capacity and not by the crime committed".

He declared, "Yet again we see the public are being put at risk by the failure of ministers. Offenders who should be sent to jail won't be, and all because the Government failed to listen to our and other calls to address the lack of prison capacity over the last few years".

The jail overcrowding issue quickly returned to the political limelight after it emerged that the population of the prison network in England and Wales has reached an 80,000 capacity ceiling, while plans to create 8,000 more prison places remain at the planning stage, with funding still to be approved.



Above: Chelmsford prison  
Right: David Davis MP



## Campaign to upgrade A120

**North Essex MP Bernard Jenkin has launched a campaign calling for the immediate upgrade of the A120.**

New dualled sections of the road are planned to help ease congestion on both the Marks Tey to Braintree and Colchester to Harwich sections.

However, the Marks Tey to Braintree road failed to receive funding from highways chiefs recently, while plans for the eastern stretch are also undecided.

Bernard said, "Instead of being our lifeline, the A120 is stifled by congestion. Vital work has been threatened with unacceptable delays. I have launched a campaign to ensure the speedy completion of both new sections".

## Does Tendring District Council realise it has rural residents?



Neil Stock has spent almost four years as the Councillor for Ardleigh and Little Bromley, reminding the council of the rural nature of its boundaries. He has written and taken a paper to the scrutiny committee on water and sewage. He has fought hard to get mains sewage in areas that need this vital service. He has instigated debates on lack of educational choices for rural areas and he has written a paper on policies for renewable energy. He has reminded the council at every opportunity that the information they use to base their decisions on is constantly flawed. The council newsletter, *Tendring Matters*, often includes questionnaires, the results of which inform the council. Neil continues to fight for *Tendring Matters* to be delivered in the rural areas but, until it is, the results are always skewed to reflect the views of the urban areas.

Neil said, "I urge everyone to take the time to fill in our *In Touch* questionnaire, so that we can use your responses to get a better deal for rural areas and a better deal for Ardleigh and Little Bromley".

### Roads & Traffic

10. Is speeding traffic a problem in your area?

Yes  No

11. Please tell us about any unsafe or poorly maintained roads and footpaths in your area: \_\_\_\_\_

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### Public Transport

15. Which form of transport do you use most?

Car  Bus  
 Motorcycle  Train  
 Bicycle  Walking

16. Are you satisfied with public transport in this area?

Yes  No

### Local Improvements

17. What improvements, if any, would you like to see made in the area?

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### Tendring Council

12. Do you receive *Tendring Matters* - Tendring Council's colour newspaper?

Yes  No

### Planning

13. Do you think there should be a new town built adjacent to the A120?

Yes  No

14. What are your views on Tendring Council's Planning Department? \_\_\_\_\_

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### About You

18. Age range:

Under 20  20 to 29  
 30 to 39  40 to 49  
 50 to 59  Over 60

19. Are you a parent or guardian of school-age children?

Yes  No

20. Which Party do you usually vote for at elections?

Conservative  Labour  
 Lib Dem  UKIP  
 Other  Don't vote

21. If your chosen Party did not have a candidate standing at an election, for which Party would you vote?

Conservative  Labour  
 Lib Dem  UKIP  
 Other  Don't vote

22. Would you, or anyone in your household, like to vote by post or proxy at future elections?

Postal  Proxy (Permanent)  
 No  Proxy (One Election)

23. Would you be willing to deliver *In Touch* leaflets?

Yes  No

24. Would you like to meet your local Member of Parliament, Bernard Jenkin?

Yes  No

### What have we forgotten?

Please use this space to let us know about any other issues that are concerning you (feel free to use an additional piece of paper if required).

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