



informed that First Port were investigating a permit parking scheme for the car park. This was not implemented. Jane raised this again and the car park was visited by the Council's enforcement team and police. They found a stolen car. Notice to clear the land and remove the broken cars has been given by the Council. A resident has thanked Jane for reducing anti-social behaviour.

ON YOUR DOORSTEP – BRENTWOOD ROAD

Jane alerted the Council to a sunken drain on the pedestrian crossing table outside Frances Bardsley School in January. This was immediately fixed.

ON YOUR DOORSTEP – RICHMOND ROAD

I have asked the Council to contact tenants at Richmond Court to explain how they should present their food waste once the Council starts collecting food waste separately.

ON YOUR DOORSTEP - TOLBUT COURT REPAIRS TO DODGY FOOTPATH

I was asked to request repairs to the Tolbut Court Footpath that leads from Brentwood Road into the estate by a resident with mobility issues who feared tripping and falling. Repairs to that footpath have been completed.

THINGS THAT UNITE US – ENGAGING YOUNG PEOPLE IN SPORT AND ARTS

Jane has recently visited two groups that serve young people in Romford. These organisations successfully engage young people in sports and/or arts activities. Youth Unity now operates its youth scheme from a hub under the Romford Station arches. The Art of Boxing is a private boxing club in George Street. Robin, the owner, is looking at prospects for expansion. Jane has offered her assistance.

JANE'S DROP IN WARD SURGERIES – NO APPOINTMENT NEEDED

- Café Cobe on South Street, Tuesdays between 10am and 12 noon.
- Café Shot on Brentwood Road, Thursdays between 3pm and 4.30pm

Stay connected and get in touch
councillorjane.keane@haverling.gov.uk
www.romfordlabour.com

Promoted by Jane Keane on behalf of Jane Keane at
273 South Street, Romford RM1 2BE.
Printed by Kall Kwik Printing,
Compton House, Victoria Road, Romford RM1 2PA.

Labour ROMFORD

COUNCILLOR JANE KEANE'S

SPRING NEWSLETTER

Delivered free by local volunteers
ST ALBAN'S WARD ROMFORD

Get in touch



STOP PRESS - SAVING THE ROMFORD LIBRARIES

Jane was pleased that her campaigning efforts have paid off and Collier Row Library has been saved from local cuts. Jane continues to campaign to save a library service in Gidea Park.

TRAVEL TO SCHOOL – ACTIVELY AND SAFELY

Jane would like to thank the Romford Recorder and Havering Daily for highlighting the need for stronger parking enforcement around the local schools. Jane's actions have included:

Jane's actions have included:

1. Regular site visits to monitor the extent of dangerous parking around the schools in the ward and talking to parents about the dangers that unlawful parking is causing and where alternative safe parking can be found.
2. Jane has tabled consecutive Council questions on road safety highlighting the Cabinet member's inadequate response to road safety outside schools in St Alban's Ward.
3. Campaigning for zebra crossings and a lower speed limit in Park Lane
4. Holding local meetings e.g. on 14th January 2025 Jane brought together schools, council highways officers, GLA representative Elly Baker, to discuss the safety of children travelling to school. Five Actions are now being progressed: -
 1. Legislation changes are being examined to enable ANPR cameras to be used by the Council to enforce white zig zag lines near school crossings.
 2. Work is being done with Frances Bardsley to promote TFL Travel for Life programme to reduce the numbers of children being dropped off in the area.
 3. Crossing point upgrade feasibility for Frances Bardsley and Hylands School and then seeking funding for the outcome of the study.

4. Trial period of locking the gate that opens on to Globe Road.
 5. Increase the parking restriction around both schools.
- Jane said, "We need council action, not waffle, to tackle the problem."



GREAT BRITISH SPRING CLEAN MARCH 21ST – APRIL 6TH 2025

Jane has been leading litter pick and natter sessions in the ward since her election but as part of the Great British Spring Clean Jane will be picking Clifton Road and Park Lane on Friday 21st March between 3pm and 4.00pm at the request of a local resident. Jane, along with the Romford Town Wombles, constantly campaigns to clean up Romford through litter picking and the reporting of abandoned shopping trolleys and flytipping. Jane said, "Residents in Romford voted for me because they know I am as invested as they are in keeping their communities clean and safe."

REFUSE COLLECTION

More and more residents are contacting me concerning waste bags that are being put out for collection on the wrong day. The bags attract scavengers. The bags then spill out on pavements and roads when they split open. The Council's website hosts information at: www.havering.gov.uk/rubbishandrecycling/checkyourcollectionday. Havering Council also provides orange bags for recycling and these can be collected from local libraries.

WOMEN'S AID HAVERING

Case work alerted Jane to the lack of refuge facilities in Havering. Concerned at this, and the appalling level of violence against women and children in Havering, highlighted by the Council's Violence Against Women and Children Strategy consultation, Jane tabled a motion at the Council meeting in January which provoked a debate in Havering Council Chamber on a host of issues such as the lack of refuge facilities for all victims of domestic violence. If you would like to know about the valuable work of Havering Women's Aid you can read more at <https://haveringwomensaid.co.uk>.

ON YOUR DOORSTEP - MARWELL CLOSE ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR

If you read my newsletters you will know that I have called for enforcement action to address the anti-social behaviour in the car park at Marwell Close. I had been