

## STOP THE FASCIST ENGLISH DEFENCE LEAGUE MARCHING THROUGH WALTHAMSTOW

- The English Defence League is planning to march in Walthamstow on Saturday 1 September. The EDL is an extremely violent, racist and Nazi group that whips up hatred and intolerance. It particularly targets Muslim communities.
- EDL leader Tommy Robinson has multiple convictions for violence and has praised the Norwegian far right mass murderer Anders Breivik.
- The EDL had planned to march in Walthamstow on 18 August - which coincides with Eid al-Fitr, an important Muslim festival. After overwhelming public opposition - including a call for a ban by local MP Stella Creasy and the Leader of the Council, Chris Robbins - this fascist group decided to 'postpone' the march until 1 September.
- It is good that the EDL have backed down. However, they are never welcome in Waltham Forest. We are a very diverse and vibrant community. We like it that way. We do not want fascists in our community trying to sow division, threaten our residents and local businesses.
- The EDL march would take place during the Paralympics. Local residents will be hosting hundreds of international visitors. The London 2012 Games aim to 'create a truly inclusive culture where diversity is valued and celebrated... where everyone feels welcomed and respected.' To have fascists marching in an Olympic borough goes completely against this ethos.
- It is vital, therefore, that we as a community show our defiance against the EDL and celebrate our multi-cultural community.
- *We are Waltham Forest* is a broad-based campaign of local residents that works with all those who oppose the EDL marching in our borough. Join us on Saturday 1 September when we send a clear message that Waltham Forest says 'No' to the EDL.
- Please get involved in this campaign. Together we can stop the EDL.
- Join our e-mail list so we can keep you updated at: [waltuaf@gmail.com](mailto:waltuaf@gmail.com)

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GATHER WALTHAMSTOW  
TOWN CENTRE  
FROM 11am



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