

Leader of the Council Cabinet Member Bulletin Councillor Tony Newman April 2019

News

TERRORIST ATROCITY - NEW ZEALAND

The attack in Christchurch was an absolute tragedy; I have written to the Prime Minister of New Zealand, Jacinda Ardern, on behalf of the people of Croydon to express our deepest sympathies for all those affected.



I was proud to stand in solidarity with Cllr Bernadette Khan our Mayor, Councillors, Steve Reed MP, the Borough Police Commander alongside our Muslim community this week in Mosques across Croydon to send one simple message, "You will never divide us and we will always celebrate our diversity together."

LOCAL GOVERNMENT CHRONICLE AWARDS

To be nominated in five categories was a very clear statement of the groundbreaking and innovative work our Council is doing. To be the only Council in the country that then won two of these prestigious awards was truly a remarkable but fully deserved success.



Croydon was first nationally for Campaign of the year for 'Choose Your Future" and also first for our Health and Well Being Croydon Alliance approach that is ensuring the needs of local residents are at the forefront of all we and the NHS are doing. These awards and all the others shortlisted truly recognise the contribution of our hardworking and dedicated staff.

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SADIQ VISITS CROYDON



It was great to welcome the Mayor of London, Sadiq khan, to look at the innovative work of our Family Justice Centre tackling the hate crime that is domestic violence. Sadiq also recently joined Andrew Brown and the team at the BME forum along with ClIrs Hamida Ali, David Wood and Steve Reed MP to listen to the views of some of our amazing young people regarding the challenges of London's ongoing serious youth violence emergency. We've also had visits and discussions with the Deputy Mayors from City Hall, Sophie Linden on crime, Rasheed Agrawal on business, Shirley Rodriguez on sustainability.

BLACK HISTORY MONTH 2019 LAUNCH

It was inspiring to hear speeches from so many young people at the launch and



equally powerful to listen to the contributions from ClIr Alisa Fleming, Patsy Cummings, Janet Campbell and David Wood. We should take pride that with the Council working with partners, Black History Month is going from strength to strength and has become a one of the Council's key event priorities.

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Leader's Diary for March

Launch of Croydon Business Awards SLP Leader's Board C40 Divest/Invest Forum London Councils Leader's Committee Cabinet Members/CEO Away Day Black History Theme Launch event LGC Awards New Chief Executive of BHLive visit One Croydon Workshop – Input into Alliance between the CCG and NHS Local Strategic Partnership Board Meeting Inspire Welcome Norbury By-election

Cllr Tony Newman Leader of the Council