



Harriet Harman - MP for Camberwell and Peckham

Newsletter - November—December 2015

Supporting our postal workers

Last week I joined postal workers at Camberwell delivery office to thank them for all their hard work throughout the year and especially during this busy Christmas period when they will be delivering to 57,600 local addresses!



Welcome Home Rebecca Prosser!

After 5 months of detention in an Indonesian prison Camberwell journalist Rebecca Prosser finally returned home to her family on the 11th November.

Rebecca and fellow journalist Neil Bonner were arrested by the Indonesian Navy while filming a documentary about piracy in the Malacca Strait. They were doing their jobs and were not criminals. I pressed for Rebecca's release and met with FCO Minister Hugo Swire MP, the Indonesian Ambassador H.E. Mr. Thayeb and asked the Secretary of State at Foreign and Commonwealth questions to do all he could to support Rebecca whilst she was detained and to ensure that she was allowed to return home.

On her return I was delighted to welcome, Rebecca, her family and Neil to Parliament for tea.



Visit to St Mary Magdalene CofE Primary School

Head teacher Jennifer Parris invited me to visit following their International School award by the British Council. It was given for their commitment to providing a rich and creative range of international work to the curriculum.

As part of my visit I was invited to speak with Key stage 2 pupils as part of their inspirational speaker's programme and I was given an excellent tour by year 6 pupil and chairperson of the school council, Toluwani. Before I left I also joined the whole school assembly for a Q&A session.



I also got the chance to catch up and chat with Parents in the school playground.



Supporting Junior Doctors at Kings College Hospital

Before the suspension of the BMA's planned strike action in December, I visited Kings College Hospital to meet with some of the junior doctors to show my support. They broke away from their vital work to tell me how Jeremy Hunt's imposition of a new contract would mean their pay would be cut. I met with a paediatrician, an anaesthetist, a psychiatrist, a geriatrician & a medical registrar, these, and many others are the doctors that at any time we or our families will need. We should be falling over ourselves in gratitude to the junior doctors who work at Kings.



These are just some of my activities. For further information about my work in the constituency please see my website www.harrietharman.org



Joint committee on Human Rights — Update

On the 2nd November I was elected as Chair of the Joint Committee on Human Rights.

The Committee's work includes scrutinising every Government Bill for its compatibility with human rights, including;

- The rights under the European Convention on Human Rights (ECHR) protected in UK law by the Human Rights Act 1998
- Common law fundamental rights and liberties
- The human rights contained in other international obligations of the UK

You can find more about the Committees work by clicking [here](#)

Boroughwide

Campaigning—Livesey

I Joined local party members and councillors for borough-wide campaigning. Great support for London Mayoral candidate Sadiq Khan MP and Lambeth & Southwark London Assembly candidate Florence Eshalomi.



Remembrance Sunday

At Borough High St war memorial I joined local people, the Mayor, councillors, civic leaders, & members of our armed services for a service of remembrance.

Faraday by-election on 21 January 2016

Faraday member Samantha Jury-Dada has been selected as Labour's candidate for the by-election on 21 January—see you on the campaign trail!

Annual Gala Dinner at Caravaggios

Great to join local party members and councillors for the annual Camberwell and Peckham Labour Party gala dinner. We were delighted to have London Mayoral candidate Sadiq Khan MP as our guest speaker and thanks to Neil Coyle MP for his support too!



Lifetime Achievement Award

The Spectator Awards 2015 & Political Studies Association

I was honoured to receive the Spectator magazine lifetime achievement award in November and the Political Studies Association lifetime achievement earlier this month! More details on website.



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MY ADVICE SURGERIES ARE AT Walworth Methodist Church 'Clubland' 54 Camberwell Road, SE5 0EW



Next surgery dates

Tuesday 12th Jan 5pm

Friday 29th Jan 9am

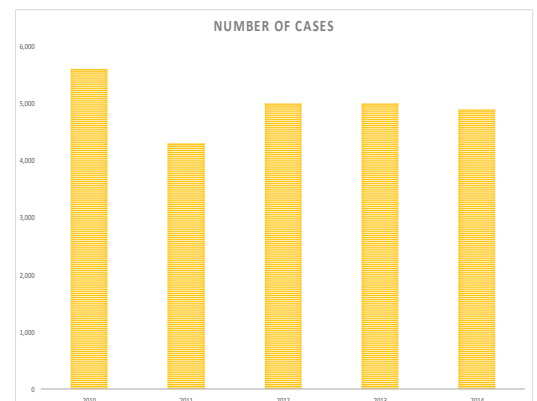


Getting to Clubland: Bus Routes: 468, 148, 171, 45, 68, 176, 12

Casework Update December 2015

Since my last report in October 2015:

- Action on 606 cases
- Including 214 new cases
- 5 advice surgeries
- Attended by 131 people
- Average reply time: 10 working days



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