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## My Community Network

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### Ultra Low Emission Zone (ULEZ)

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**The principle of ULEZ is good  
for health and environment.  
But it is deployed as a money-  
making machine. The concern  
is that ULEZ continues roll out  
to Kent and our constituency !**

**Focus** –*The ULEZ has been shown to reduce the number of polluting cars on the road. It has been shown to reduce roadside emissions, although its effectiveness is disputed. In 2022 the zone raised £224m. Its technology is based upon fixed and mobile CCTV Number Plate Recognition. It was brought in due to pressure on UK Govt by environmental lawyers Client Earth due to poor air quality in our cities. The extension of ULEZ out to all Greater London has been seen as nothing more than a money- making machine. ULEZ allows polluting vehicles to drive in the zone so long as public can afford to do so. It does not stop the owners of polluting vehicles if they are happy to pay. That cannot be right. The policy is flawed. We have to stop the ULEZ charging fiasco!*

Dear friends welcome to the July edition of **My Community Network** for keeping you informed of issues that I am representing you on within our constituency. I am a local family man, born and bred in Borough Green. Businessman, ex - school governor, Parish & T&MB councillor. My mission includes building a network of support for improving our community and to represent our people. *This month's edition focuses on the 'Conservative and Labour initiated ULEZ Scheme'.*

**Fact** – The Ultra Low Emission Zone is an area in London where a fee is charged for driving polluting vehicles. Plans were announced by the London Mayor Boris Johnson in March 2015 for the zone to come into operation in September 2020. Sadiq Khan, the subsequent Mayor, introduced the zone early in April 2019. The zone initially covered central London (same area as existing congestion charge). The zone was extended in October 2021. August 2023 it is planned to cover all Greater London. **The M25 Strategic Road Network and Kent are ULEZ exempt today - but for how long?**

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