

NEWS

EVENT

Two day music festival cut to one

A two-day retro music festival has been cut to one day.

Now That's A Festival was due to take place in Dagenham's Central Park on August's bank holiday but the first day (Saturday, August 27) has been cancelled due to "unforeseen circumstances".

Sister Sledge and Alesha Dixon will now not perform. Sunday's stars Peter Andre and Blue will still be performing. For ticket queries, call 0208 591 6920 and choose option 4.

TRAVEL

Dartford Crossing to close overnight

Overnight closures will take place this weekend at the Dartford Crossing to enable maintenance works to be carried out.

Closures have been taking place all week and will continue for the next couple of days. The northbound west tunnel will be closed tomorrow (Sat) from 9pm-5.30am and during the same period on Sunday at the northbound east tunnel.

Business leaders delighted to be included on awards shortlist

Excited finalists are preparing to join 300 business leaders, entrepreneurs, politicians and media representatives at this year's Havering Business Awards.

Last week the *Recorder* announced which businesses had been shortlisted in 11 of the 13 categories – the remaining two will be selected from the winners.

Among those preparing for the gala ceremony, to be held at the CEME Conference Centre, Rainham, on Friday October 7, are Laura Watkins the franchise owner of babyballet in Romford, Dan Evans managing director of Evans Insurance Brokers in Western Road Romford, and Bob Edwards centre manager at Stubbers Adventure Centre in Upminster.

All three have been shortlisted for the Business Person of the Year award, sponsored by NC Construction Services Ltd.

Mr Evans said: "I feel fantastic. I started the business on my own four years ago and it's been a steep learning curve. I'm very honoured and proud to have got this far and I'm looking forward to the gala night in October."



■ Laura Watkins.



■ Dan Evans.



■ Bob Edwards.

Mr Edwards added: "Being shortlisted for the Havering Business Person of the Year will raise awareness of the excellent work being done by the team at Stubbers.

"I see this honour as recognition of the work of many people over the last 20 years growing Stubbers into a great adventure activity facility for the local community."

Ms Watkins could not be contacted for comment but her husband John, said: "I'm very proud of her. She's been able to achieve what she wanted with babyballet and she loves her work – but she's always looking to achieve more!"

Commenting on the finalists Cllr Osman Dervish, Havering Council's cabinet member for economic devel-

opment said: "We are so proud of all our finalists who have shown great enthusiasm for their business and the local area.

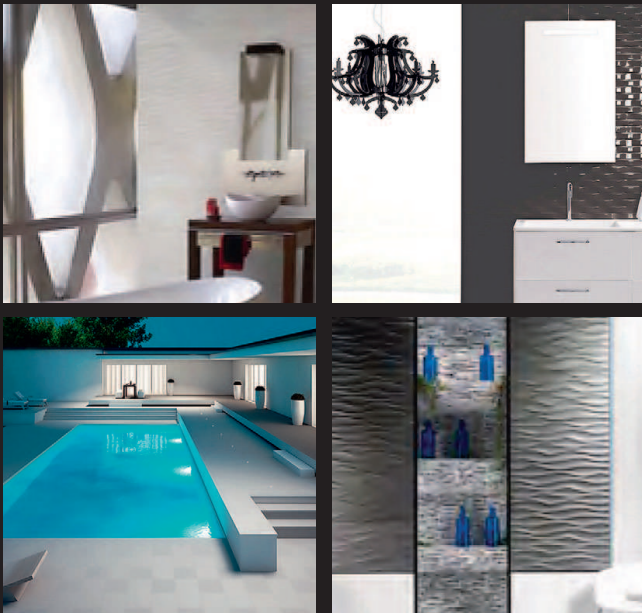
"We wish them all the best of luck."

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