

EDL in Walthamstow 2015

To Walthamstow, again. For reasons set out [2012](#).



This was a much longer route, with more scope for UAF obstruction. It has another disadvantage; it is a mostly residential street. Other than a few small shops, the fire station, a Hindu temple and the William Morris Gallery it is a street of houses and flats. As you will see in the pictures below peoples homes were affected by the UAF/antifa obstruction and this is always twisted to be the fault of the EDL. Had the route along Hoe Street been kept the march would have moved more quickly past some Municipal Buildings, the offices of solicitors, estate agents and accountants, and some national chain stores. Institutions of greater influence would have had the opportunity to see the message of the banners.

I arrived at Walthamstow Central to find the lawn and square devoid of anybody but shoppers and some Christian Evangelists. But there was a UAF stall (anti Tory literature produced overnight – they are busy bees) and a young woman directing people. She explained that they had not been allowed a march but were permitted a static rally, and had permission to direct potential attendees to the quickest route. I decided to go straight up to Forest Road to see what was happening there.



Above an Antifascist poster; below some of the Antifascists themselves.



I don't know why this particular group were being contained.
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