THE OFFICIAL OLYMPIC HANDOVER
LET THE GAMES BEGIN!

The Free Tibet Campaign will today be officially handing over the Olympic protests to the Free Hackney Campaign!

What is the FREE HACKNEY campaign all about and why are you a bunch of anti-olympic killjoy scrooges?

We see the Olympics as nothing more than a money making opportunity for business and the government. Businesses and Residents in Hackney are having their livelihoods and homes compulsory purchased and bulldozed to make way for the games, council tax is going through the roof, public spaces are being closed, free sports facilities are being closed, rents in the area are going to go up and the character of our area is being bulldozed. It seems to us that the people are getting a raw deal from "the people's games".

Developers in East London have for years been ripping the heart out of the area, bulldozing buildings to make room for more 'luxury' flats. The Olympics seems nothing more than a huge cash injection into this spurious re-generation where existing residents are shoved out of the way to make room for city living loft apartments and second homes for city workers. How about some low cost housing, how about stopping buy to let purchases, how about improving the area instead of cleansing it of all character?

Plus to be honest, does anyone actually expect Boris and London to build the thing on time and for it not to fall over?