

Ian Dury And The Blockheads "Upminster Kid"

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When I was fifteen I had a black crepe jacket and
sideboards to my chin
I used to go around in a two-tone Zephyr with a mean
and nasty grin
Twelve-inch bottoms on my stardust flares and socks
of dazzling green
Well Gene Vincent Craddock remembered the love of
an Upminster rock 'n' roll teen

Well the silver-dollar hairstyle been cut down, ooooooh
With a silver-dollar hairstyle been cut down
Amazing that the feeling's still around

My good friend Friar wore a powder-blue suit with criss-
cross lurex thread
He turned seventeen bought a big motorcycle and
started wearing leather instead
I could not afford a ruby snaffle tie or black suede
clubbing shoes
Well Gene Vincent Craddock, the people still move
over when the Upminster Kid walked through

With a silver-dollar hairstyle, been cut down, ooooooh
A silver-dollar hairstyle, been cut down
Amazing that the feeling's still around

Sunday afternoon at the Romford Geumont, alternte
version 'strolling
down the road with my tight-sweater baby'
rum and black at the Bell Hotel
He'd strole into the park, for a chumber in the dark,
little juvenile never-do-well
He'd run a steel comb along the Regent jukebox, a little
bit of thieving now and then
Well Gene Vincent Craddock remembered to look on
an Upminster kid again
alternate version well Gene VIncent Craddock i surely
wish i were a Upminster Kid again

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