

Local News Updates

Keeping you up to date with the news in our area!

Twyford - Non collection of bins resolved

The issue of Non Collection of bins Highfield Avenue and Park Lane has been a real problem for those households affected. Due to the need for smaller vehicles, as these households are hard to reach, their collection schedule is the opposite to other households in Twyford. Work by local Councillors has resulted in a change from the w/c 15th January to bring it in line with the rest of the village. Their collection day will remain on a Friday as it is currently.



Lib Dem victory on Conservative County Council cuts

Late last year, we reported how Conservative county councillors had voted to:

- Scrap crossing patrols
- Scrap all community transport
- Scrap all bus subsidy
- Cut up to half of all recycling centres

Lib Dem councillors spoke and voted against the cuts. After several months, the Conservative administration have now given in to the campaign – at least for the next 12 months.

LEDs across Hampshire

Following pressure by Lib Dems at the County Council, it's now been confirmed that county officers are looking at a plan to convert ALL council street lamps to LEDs – cutting carbon and cost.

Colden Common & Twyford FOCUS



Hannah and Richard oppose proposed Eastleigh plans

Winchester City Council also needs to take tougher action on traffic

New Lib Dem candidate for Colden Common & Twyford, Hannah Williams, has made it clear that she strongly backs Richard IZard's opposition to Eastleigh's current plans for development.

Richard attended and spoke out at both the July 2017 and December 2017 public meetings opposing the proposals to build on Sites B & C.

Hannah's recent surveying of local residents showed that people's biggest concerns with the Eastleigh plans were the impact on traffic and local roads. Environmental impact was a close second.

Hannah believes development must work with surrounding communities not against them:

"We need a plan to CUT traffic through Colden Common and Twyford. A lot of the traffic on our roads is heading north from Fair Oak and Hedge End. The current plans mean that this pressure on our roads can only get worse."

"Winchester City Council is generally very poor at making sure that proper traffic measures are taken in response to extra development. It frequently

won't oppose planning proposals when traffic measures are not adequate – and definitely needs to take a tougher line on Eastleigh's proposals."

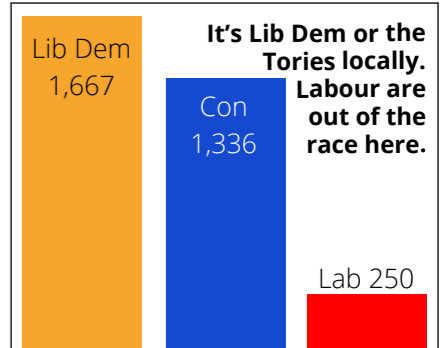
"As they stand, the proposed sites B and C are dependent on residents having cars: no bus, train or cycle provision has been made to serve this new community. Allbrook railway bridge also isn't engineered to take the extra traffic – which will force the traffic north. The plan just isn't thought through."

Richard and Hannah have been backed by their Lib Dem colleagues. Chair of Winchester Liberal Democrats District Local Party, Cllr. Martin Tod, commented:

"Liberal Democrat party policy on issues like this is made locally. The Winchester local party and council group strongly back Richard and Hannah. And whatever has been reported, no-one else in the party – no matter how senior – can tell us to do differently."



Richard spoke on behalf of local people at Eastleigh Council meetings



How Colden Common & Twyford voted in May 2016

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