



# Kingfield, Westfield and Barnsbury News from Labour

## CHRIS MARTIN

### Your Labour Party candidate for Kingfield, Westfield and Barnsbury on May 5th



Dear Resident

#### Moor Lane Development

Many of the proposed 450 dwellings are in an area which floods very badly. One of the planned entrances is on common land and is a public right of way.



**UNACCEPTABLE**

The development would mean a huge increase in traffic passing through Balfour Avenue. The proposed entrance to the development is in the heart of a very busy residential estate with a large number of children. It is the only residential estate in the borough that has been judged dangerous enough to have traffic calming measures.

**UNACCEPTABLE**

And two properties have already been demolished in Quartermaine Avenue to allow access even before planning approval has been given.



**UNACCEPTABLE**

None of these issues have been addressed by your two local councillors.

**I WILL OPPOSE THE DEVELOPMENT. IT IS  
MISCONCEIVED AND BADLY PLANNED.**

#### Flood alleviation

I welcome the scheme for Westfield and parts of Kingfield. BUT this should be extended to areas such as Queen Elizabeth Way, Vicarage Road, The Moorlands, St Martha's Avenue, Trentham Crescent and Riverdale Drive.

**THIS IS UNFAIR.**

These areas are notorious for flooding and funds must be found.



**ELECT ME ON MAY 5<sup>th</sup> AND I WILL FIGHT  
FOR A FAIR DEAL FOR THE WHOLE AREA.**

**Do the Tory and LibDem candidates know what they are doing?**

The Conservative is showing a woeful lack of local knowledge - for example, he thinks that community buildings are being built on the Westfield tip and not in Woking Park.

The LibDem - a County Councillor as well as a borough candidate - has a poor track record since he was elected. The County Council is responsible for maintenance of roads but the local roads are in a miserable state of repair. What has he done about this? What has he done about the ill-timed, seven-month closure of Kingfield Bridge, which has brought serious disruption to local residents?

**A NEW LABOUR FACE IS NEEDED ON THE COUNCIL - A MAN  
WITH ROOTS IN THE AREA**

**VOTE FOR CHRIS MARTIN ON MAY 5th**

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## Woking Council needs change

**Woking Borough Council is a mess.** The elected councillors - all Tories or LibDems - are incapable of controlling the officers who are supposed to serve them.

How can they say they are not in coalition locally when together they lack the will power to deal with over mighty officials?

Any new Tory or LibDem councillor would quickly adopt the sheep-like behaviour of their parties. Nothing would happen; your council tax money would continue to be frittered away on grandiose schemes like the Canopy.

We need to break up this coalition of the weak and ineffective and need Labour councillors to do that.

Soon the sharp, deep, cuts imposed by the Tory dominated national coalition will start to be felt here. If elected, I will vigorously resist unfair cuts and work with residents to see that appropriate funds are still allocated to the longstanding problems of Kingfield, Westfield and Barnsbury.

## Promises, promises...

They say actions speak louder than words, so let's take a look at some of the things the Conservatives and Lib Dems said before the election and what they have since done.

**NICK CLEGG ON VAT** "Liberal Democrats have costed, in full, our proposals for tax cuts. We can tell you, penny for penny, pound for pound, who pays for them. We will not have to raise VAT to deliver our promises. The Conservatives will. Let me repeat that: our plans do not require a rise in VAT. The Tory plans do. Their tax promises on marriage and jobs may sound appealing. But they come with a secret VAT bombshell close behind."

**And what have they done?** The Lib Dems in Government have put VAT up to 20%.

**DAVID CAMERON ON THE NHS** "There will be no top-down re-organisation of the health service" ... "We promise to protect the NHS."

**And what have they done?** The Government has tried to push through massive changes in the NHS Bill, which has proved so unpopular with doctors and nurses that the "reforms" have had to be put on hold. By an overwhelming 99% vote the Royal College of Nursing declared "no confidence" in the Secretary of State for Health, Andrew Lansley.

## What are the Conservatives and Liberal Democrats up to?

With the Tory LibDem Coalition now in power for just under a year, our worst fears are being confirmed. The economic recovery initiated by Labour is, as predicted, threatened by the reckless behaviour of the Coalition. The budget deficit has to be reduced but this should be when the recovery is stronger. So far, the Coalition is directly responsible for the following.

- Youth unemployment is at record levels: one in five of those aged 16 to 24 is out of work, creating a lost generation and the position is likely to get much worse with thousands leaving school and college in the next few weeks
- Abolition of the educational maintenance allowance to keep young people in education and cuts to Sure Start
- Prices are rising because of inflation
- The National Health Service is in chaos with mounting waiting lists, job cuts and the Government's own plans in disarray
- Savage cuts to housing benefit will threaten many social tenancies and essential workers will be priced out of town. They will be unable to afford to live locally and this will threaten the stability of our mixed communities in Woking.

And there is worse to come. Local Councils face a cut of 9% in their **total** spending. This includes non-discretionary expenditure which in poorer areas can be considerable.

The opinion polls suggest that many Tory supporters are concerned by what is happening. But none of this would be possible without the complicity of Nick Clegg and his Liberal Democrat colleagues.

The Tories have an agenda – that is, to cut back the role of the state and to transfer the burden of social care for the elderly and disabled to the voluntary sector. Are we happy to see the NHS and education slashed? Are we happy to see our public infrastructure crumble due to lack of investment? Are we happy to see the genuine poor and disadvantaged made to suffer?

Would you like to be informed of visiting speakers, discussions and social events?  Yes/No

I am a Labour supporter  Yes/No

I would like to join the Labour Party  Yes/No

I can deliver some leaflets  Yes/No

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