

PEOPLE FIRST

News from where you live coming to you from your
Liberal Democrat Councillors
Elizabeth Purves, Pam Walshe, Tony Clayton, Ed Waite



Traffic, Planning, Housing, Green belt, the Vine,
School transport, Sevenoaks Hospital, Parking

A lot going on in Eastern Ward

KEEPING SEVENOAKS GREEN

THE VINE

Your Lib Dem councillors back local residents campaigning against a commuter car park on the Vine.

This land, next to Vine Cricket ground, was given to Sevenoaks as part of its War Memorial. It must remain an open space for all, and not become a sea of cars. Elizabeth was the only councillor at the Sevenoaks District Council Planning meeting who spoke and voted against the plan. All Lib Dem Town councillors voted against the idea

KNOLE FIELD

Elizabeth has worked with local residents to remove the 50 acre green belt field east of Seal Hollow Road out of the District Council's list of sites for housing.

We will fight to protect our open spaces and the Green Belt.

KEEPING SEVENOAKS SAFE

TRAFFIC

Traffic on the A25, Seal Hollow Road, St Johns Hill, Hillingdon Avenue, Quakers Hall Lane, Bayham and Serpentine Roads are damaging for many who live here.

Speeding traffic endangers children going to school. Pavement parking and roads without pavements (like Hartslands, Bethel, Prospect Roads) can lead to accidents.

We want 20mph limits especially near schools and where there are no pavements.

NEED A ZEBRA - OR TWO!

It's a long way down Dartford Road from the crossing at The Drive to the next one at Hollybush. This busy road badly needs a pedestrian crossing to reduce risks to commuters walking to the station, and students walking to school. As school traffic rises and more young people walk to the new schools the danger rises. We want a pedestrian crossing by the shops near Vine Court Road.

The number of young people walking along Seal Road, and crossing the A25 to get to school is increasing too. A crossing between Millpond Wood and Greatness Park is urgently needed, so that local students can get to school safely.

People come first, not traffic. Will you support our petition for Zebra Crossings? (see overleaf)

SCHOOLS

We need new school places at Trinity and Weald of Kent Grammar - and more at Knole Academy. The planned 3500 students come from a wide area, bringing more car and bus traffic morning and afternoon.

Growing congestion at Bat and Ball traffic lights and the Seal Hollow Road / Seal Road traffic lights is holding up school buses, and clogging roads.

We back local residents asking for proper plans for school transport. So far their concerns have been dismissed by Kent County Council.

Big developments need traffic plans; not "hoping it will be all right".

HOMES

Thanks for your feedback to our surveys earlier this year on Sevenoaks' Northern Masterplan. We fed your views into the Town Council consultation www.sevenoakslibdems.org.uk/2017/09/your-vital-feedback-on-the-northern-sevenoaks-masterplan/

You said that more homes should be affordable, for families to live and work here. We agree. We must tackle Sevenoaks' big housing problem - that too many people who work here can't afford to live here.

SEVENOAKS HOSPITAL

GP services in Sevenoaks are under increasing pressure, as doctors retire and young staff can't afford to live here.

Our local NHS Commissioning Group is developing plans for primary care which will become public in the coming months. We want them to invest in our hospital and use it more. Do join in if you can. **Make your voice heard.**

PARKING

Ever increasing charges imposed by the District Council pushes commuters to look for places they can park for free - cluttering up our residential streets. We will continue to object to spiralling parking charges

AIR POLLUTION

Air pollution is above safe levels. 5,000 students are taught in schools close to air quality blackspots. It will get worse if more traffic is brought into town.

Medical facilities need to be planned before new homes are built, not after. Our hospital must be at the heart of investment in Primary Care to support GP services



We still need to campaign with local residents to protect the Green Belt, as Elizabeth has at Knole fields.

In 2018 you will vote on a Neighbourhood Plan for Sevenoaks Town; it must deliver what our town needs for a fair and balanced community.

Your Liberal Democrat team working year round on your behalf

Lib Dem councillors in Sevenoaks: **Tony Clayton, Merilyn Canet, Elizabeth Purves, Pam Walshe, and Ed Waite**



If you would like to help us get the best for our community, come and join us.

Contact action@sevenoakslibdems.org.uk or call 01732 451087

Please start by backing our campaign for safer streets. We need zebra crossings on Dartford Road, by Vine Court Road, and across the A25 opposite Millpond Close

I'M BACKING THE LIB DEM CAMPAIGN FOR SAFER STREETS

I SUPPORT THE Campaign for Zebra crossings on:

Dartford Road by Vine Court Road

Seal Road, A25, by Millpond Wood

Name(s)

Address

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Postcode.....

email

phone.....

I'd like to help the campaign by:

delivering leaflets

talking to local residents on doorstep or by phone.

helping to organize and collate results

Joining the Liberal Democrats

Return to: Tony Clayton, 75 Bayham Road, Sevenoaks TN133XA, or scan and email to action@sevenoakslibdems.org.uk