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AUTUMN 09
on Braiswick Edited by Scott Greenhill

It's so close here!

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Win
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'Jelly Bean' flats to go!



A new planning application has been submitted to Colchester for the Linden Homes site on Turner Road.

We are thrilled that the silver Jelly Bean flats have been removed!

They have been replaced by 46 flats no more than 5 storeys in height, & 103 two, three & four bedroom houses.

Lib Dem Mile End Councillor Martin Goss said "This is a great victory for common sense – residents didn't want these jelly bean flats. We promised to do what we could to change the minds of the developers – clearly we have been successful."

Linden Homes have also promised to fund three litter bins for the area following negotiations with Martin Goss.

Scott Greenhill joins the team

We are very pleased to welcome Scott Greenhill to the Mile End community Lib Dem team.

Scott is 36 years old, and has lived in Mile End for many years. He works full-time as a senior manager for a well known Insurance company, and is shortly getting married to Emma who is a local business woman in Colchester. In his spare time he likes to keep fit and enjoys watching Harlequins rugby team.

Scott has been active in the community and helped to organise some elements for the Myland fete, including sharing the stocks with Lib Dem Cllr. Martin Goss.

Scott said "I am thrilled to join the Mile End Lib Dem team and will be working closely with Anne and Martin, so I hope to help many of you in the coming weeks and months."



New Liberal Democrat team member Scott Greenhill in Braiswick.

North Station Redevelopment

Work continues on the blueprint for the re-development of North Station. The following is happening:

- Plans are being looked at for a new road from the Turner Rise retail park area to Cowdray Avenue
- National Express has bid for grant funding for full redevelopment of Colchester North Station which could start in early 2010
- Consultation is underway with Passengers to ask for their views as to which trains should have extra coaches added
- Local public consultation will shortly take place concerning the possibility of housing on the land between Bergholt Road and Mile End Road for 2200 homes. We will ensure all residents are informed of workshop dates in Mile End later this year so their views can be heard. The Central Labour Government has forced Colchester to take 17,100 new homes by 2021. Many of these have already been built across the borough. The Local Development Framework group in Colchester, which sorts out where the housing is to be built, consists of representatives from all parties and is completely non-political.
- The water which flows under the bridge across the pavement will soon finally be piped away under the road, to stop the pavement becoming dangerous.

A12 Junction Update

Work on the A12 junction should start work in October 2009. Anne is also working with officers and other stakeholders to ensure the extension of the Northern Approach Road to the A12 junction gets funding as well.

The Park and Ride is also still under discussion for North Colchester and Anne is working hard to help deliver this.

Braiswick Updates

The Lib Dem team continues to press Essex County Council and Network Rail to sort the ridiculous lack of lighting in the Cymblin Meadows underpass. We have also requested that all graffiti is removed and the area undergoes a regular litterpick.

A drain will shortly be repaired near to no. 7 Braiswick which has collapsed. This has added to the recent flooding issues.

Your Lib Dem team have asked yet again for a survey of Bakers Lane as the road surface appears to be deteriorating again. We have also chased up for the damaged lamppost which is wrapped in tape and asked for it to be replaced as soon as possible.

Road resurfacing update

Road resurfacing has been carried out in Boxted Road, Braiswick, Turner Road and Mill Road. We hope residents in these areas are now happy with their new surfaces. We continue to push for Bergholt Road to receive attention. The A134 to Great Horksley is also set for some resurfacing work.

Fernlea pavements

We have asked for a full survey of the Fernlea development in Braiswick, following complaints about the pavement and road surfaces deteriorating. Anne and the Lib Dem Group on the County Council will continue to push the Conservatives to sort out the mess of our roads and pavements.

YOUR TOWN...YOUR CHOICE



Colchester is now the biggest Borough in Essex. Liberal Democrats in Colchester are tired of Conservatives at County Hall in Chelmsford taking decisions that are bad for our town:

- ✗ Closing improving schools despite 96% opposition;
- ✗ Failing to properly maintain our roads and pavements;
- ✗ Closing facilities such as the Essex Records Office and Grey Friars Adult Education College.

Given that areas such as Southend and Thurrock, which are smaller than Colchester, have their own single-council unitary authorities (which combine the responsibilities of Borough and County Councils), why can't Colchester?

If you support our campaign for Colchester to pull away from Essex County Council, please sign the petition on our website at <http://campaigns.libdems.org.uk/ourtownourchoice>, or sign the petition below.

The Dental Studio on Bergholt Road have now taken on a new dentist and more free NHS care is available. To find out more please call them on 01206 845891.

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I/ We support Colchester Liberal Democrats campaign to set up of a new Colchester unitary authority to cut costs and stop decisions concerning our town being taken in Chelmsford.

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Email/ Phone:
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Please tell us what you think!

We need to know your problems/comments on local issues. Please write them down in the space provided below.

Help us to help you

- I will display a poster for the Lib Dems at election time.
- I can deliver a few leaflets from time to time in my area.
- I'd like to join the Lib Dems. Please provide us with your information.
- I enclose a donation for 'Focus', payable to "Liberal Democrats" for £

A donation of £10 or more entitles you to membership of the Liberal Democrats. Please tick if you don't wish to be enrolled

Please return to: **Mile End Focus Team, FREEPOST NAT6287, Magdalen Hall, Wimpole Road, Colchester, CO1 2BR**

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