

Turner Village School Update

As promised, Anne has continued to push for the new school for our area. In February the Cabinet at Essex County Council agreed the funding for it and the planning application will soon go to a meeting of the County Council.

Anne will be at that meeting to ensure your voice is heard. Once the application is approved work should start in July with the school opening in September 2009. Anne will not rest until the school door is opened. She is fed up with having to attend appeals for local children who cannot get into a local school.

Bergholt Road trains stopped

Yet another success for the Mile End Focus Team! Martin, Anne, Myland Parish Council and residents have persuaded Balfour Beatty to stop moving trains through Mile End.

Eighty tonnes trains were being put on low loaders and moved along Three Crowns Road and Bergholt Road on a regular basis. Residents' property was damaged and a brick wall had to be rebuilt twice due to damage caused by the lorry mounting the pavements.



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We want to know what you think...

Let us know what issues you think Martin and the Lib Dem Focus Team should be tackling in your area:

Name _____
Address _____
Phone _____ Email _____

Please return to:

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Magdalen Hall, Wimpole Road, Colchester, CO1 2BR**

A word from Bob Russell MP

Martin Goss is an exceptionally hard working person who has shown through his community leadership and his role as a Parish Councillor how effective he will be as a Borough Councillor. The Colchester Borough Council desperately needs new blood.

He has for the last year been working closely with your existing Lib Dem Mile End Councillor, Anne Turrell. With the two of them working with me as a team I believe Mile End Ward residents will have an even stronger voice.

Bob Russell

Get your postal vote here!

If you want to save time and still support Martin this May, you can do so by applying for a postal vote! Anyone can apply for a postal vote.

If you want a postal vote, please contact Martin or Anne.

Help Martin's campaign!

- I'll be voting for Martin in the election
- I can put up a poster for Martin in my window
- I can put up a posterboard for Martin in my garden
- I can deliver leaflets for Martin
- I'd like more information on local Lib Dem policies
- I'd like to make a donation to help Martin's campaign:
 £50 £25 £10 £___

(Please make cheques payable to 'Colchester Liberal Democrats')

A donation of £10 or more entitles you to become a party member - please tick here if you do not want to join.

If you return this form the Liberal Democrats and their elected representatives may use the information you have provided to contact you from time to time about issues we think you may find of interest. Some of the contacts may be automated. You can opt out of some or all contacts at any time by contacting us.

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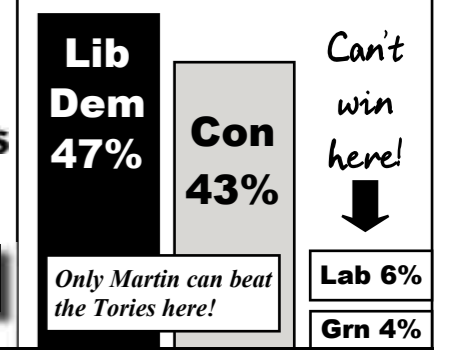
Focus



on Mile End & Braiswick

Election Special

How Mile End voted last time



"It's time for change in Mile End!" -Martin Goss

Martin Goss has been chosen as your Lib Dem candidate for Mile End and Braiswick. Martin has lived in Colchester since 1978 from the age of 4. He lives in the Mile End and works as a Senior Project Manager. Martin passionately believes in representation for all: he set up the Northern Approaches Action Group (NAAG) and is a Myland Parish Councillor.

Martin will work to protect Mile End and Braiswick against overdevelopment and Conservative indifference. He said: "The Town Hall needs an injection of younger and fresher blood to bring about change, rather than the same old empty promises which others have previously offered."

Last year, Martin spoke to the Council about waste problems in new developments, and a Conservative Cabinet member responded by saying "Mr Goss, you really should stand for election as you would make an excellent councillor!" – even the Tories agree that Martin is the best candidate for change!



Martin said: "I have been working closely with Cllr Anne Turrell for the last 12 months, and have thoroughly enjoyed it. I look forward to being of even greater service to all residents if I am elected."

A record of action and promise of more!



These are just some of the victories Martin has had for our community in the last year:

- ✓ 22 new trees planted in Myland Community Garden and on the Northern Approaches
- ✓ 11 new litter bins are due to be installed.
- ✓ Getting offensive graffiti in Mile End cleaned quickly
- ✓ Working with the police to solve problems caused by rowdy youths
- ✓ Trees in Thornwood on Mill Road have been cut back after complaints from residents

- ✓ New speed checks in Mill Road to deal with speeding vehicles
- ✓ New dog mess signs on lamp posts in the Mill Road area

Cllr Anne Turrell said: "Martin moved to Mile End in 2005 and immediately saw there were many problems to be solved. Martin has brought a fresh approach to the Focus Team and his tireless work has improved the quality of life for every Mile End and Braiswick resident. I urge you to support Martin on May 1st – just think how much more he could achieve for Mile End and Braiswick as a Councillor!"

Martin GOSS



**ELECTIONS
1ST MAY**
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What will the Liberal Democrats do for Colchester?

Lib Dems will save you money!

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This year, a Lib Dem-run Council would have frozen Colchester's Council Tax. We would have achieved this by cutting waste from the budget, reducing the allowances to senior Councillors and getting a better return from the Council's assets. Both the Tories and Labour voted against this, choosing to raise your taxes instead.

The amount a Lib Dem Council would have raised your council tax this year!

The Lib Dems are the only party who want the unfair Council Tax scrapped in favour of a Local Income Tax based on ability to pay.

"If we want a better Britain, with opportunity for everyone, we've got to have fair taxes." - Nick Clegg MP, leader of the Liberal Democrats

We will make Colchester cleaner and greener

- ✓ Invest more in street cleaning and have annual cleaning blitzes for every area
- ✓ Increase recycling rates to 60% by 2011
- ✓ Keep weekly black bag collections



We will get Colchester moving again

- ✓ Get a proper park and ride scheme for Colchester
- ✓ Keep paths and cycleways cleaner and safer
- ✓ Cut traffic in the Town Centre



We will make a better Colchester for everyone

- ✓ Enforce licensing rules to make the streets safe for everyone
- ✓ Make leisure and arts facilities more accessible
- ✓ Never take people of Colchester for granted

A special message from - Bob Russell, MP for Colchester

It saddens me to see the state Colchester has got into under this Tory administration. Britain's oldest recorded town needs a Council and Councillors that will listen to the people of Colchester and give them a town we can all be proud of - **the hardworking Liberal Democrat team will do that by always putting the needs of the people of Colchester first.**

I'm impressed by the vision they have for the future of our town. The question every resident needs to ask themselves before they vote is a simple one - **'Can I afford a Tory council?'**



...while the Tories just waste it!

- Tory-run Colchester Council will raise your Council Tax by 2.9% this year.
- Tory-run Essex County Council will raise your bill by another 4.2%!

They have FAILED on Transport...

- Thousands wasted, yet still no Park and Ride
- Road repairs cancelled because of overspending
- Millions to be wasted on consultants, but no real plans to cut congestion in Colchester



They have FAILED on Education...

- No support for local schools threatened with closure
- More schools under special measures
- Ignoring local residents and pushing for an unwanted and expensive Academy



They have FAILED on Recycling...

- Recycling rates remaining static
- £140,000 to be spent buying plastic bags
- Backing plans for more traffic, congestion and pollution with a massive waste plant in Stanway



The Tories have FAILED Colchester!

- Handing control of your local services to the County Council in Chelmsford
- Over-developing our town, but not planning for the traffic problems it causes
- Wasting your money with poor management - Big projects delayed and over budget
- Ignoring public opinion and not caring what you think about our town

WE deserve better than that!

- ✓ Councillors that work for everyone all year round
- ✓ A Council that fights for what's best for our town
- ✓ A Council that will protect our history and heritage

For the change Colchester needs, vote Liberal Democrats!

