

# THE NATIONAL POTHOLE CRISIS

Potholes are a national disgrace. The weather has been repeatedly blamed for these this year but the truth is proper maintenance would have reduced the large number of potholes to something manageable.

Davis Simpson says :”For the last 3 years Hampshire Lib Dems have tried to get extra money for road maintenance by slashing the millions spent on PR spin at County. Each time the Tories have refused. This year we tried to get an extra £10 million to repair all our roads to a fit state. Once again the Tory majority refused.”

The pothole problem is widespread across the UK. According to the Local Government Association, about £10 billion is needed to repair the pothole problem properly across the country. Councils just don’t have that sort of money to repair all these holes after the worst winter in decades. Money is needed from the Labour Government now to repair the problem.



Denzil is fighting for better roads - this pothole was 8cm deep!

## STREET WATCH

Hampshire Police have introduced and piloted Street Watch. This is now being copied by other Counties across the country. So what is it?

It is a way of getting the Community to take control of its area.

It is **NOT** vigilantism.

Concerned members of the community sign up for local patrols. They are trained by Hampshire Police and insured against public liability.

When walking the streets they talk to people about anti social behaviour and they meet those who indulge in it.

When you know a person it is harder to be anti social toward them and in Four Marks the results have been so good that Hampshire Police want to roll it out around the whole of the County.

## GRIT BINS

When the first snow came in December, David Simpson wrote to the 6 parish and town councils in his division offering to help buy Grit Bins for the area with his County Grant Fund.

Shortly after County announced they would buy 4000 extra grit bins.

Some places have already been advised to David but if there is a particularly bad slope near you where a bin would help then please let him or local parish councillor Graham Bartlett know.

## YOUTH BUS



Hartley Wintney Parish Council ran a trial scheme from October 2009 to February 2010 providing a bus to take young people to and from The Base youth centre in Fleet on a Thursday evening.

The trial was successful and David Simpson was asked to help fund it for the rest of the academic year.

He agreed the Grant Application and £500 was paid within a week.

Congratulations to the Parish Council for helping the youth of today.



# FOCUS on Hartley-Wintney



From Graham Bartlett & Denzil Coulson

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## Graham Bartlett & Denzil Coulson: Standing up for Hartley Wintney

Graham was born in Hartley Wintney in 1953. Apart from a short period whilst working at the Fire Service College, he has lived in the village all his life. Married to his wife Sonia, they have three grown-up children and three grand children, who also all live in Hartley Wintney.

He has worked within the Fire & Rescue Service for most of his working life. This included 25 years as a Retained Officer at the Hartley Wintney Station. Currently Graham is a Fire Service Inspector with the CAA.

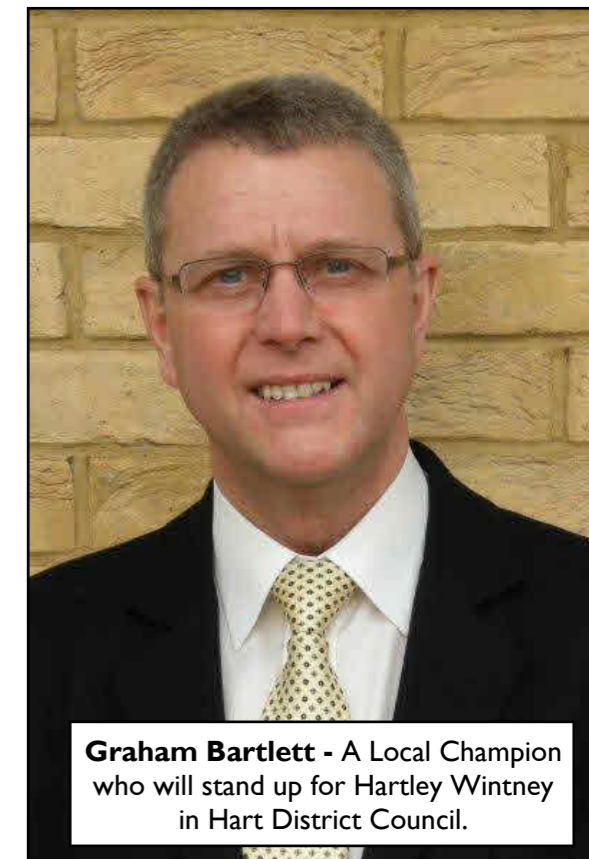
### 4 REASONS TO VOTE FOR GRAHAM

1. Graham is an active serving Parish Councillor in Hartley Wintney, (a position he held for 5 years previously before moving to the Fire Service College).

2. He was instrumental in organising the Christmas High Street lights and he instigated a joint initiative between Hampshire Fire & Rescue Service and Hartley Wintney Parish Council to improve recruitment to the fire service in Hartley Wintney.

3. Working for a safer community, Graham actively supports the Neighbourhood Watch Scheme and deterring anti-social behaviour.

4. Graham will work hard all year round for local residents regardless of politics combining local knowledge with a degree of common sense.



Graham Bartlett - A Local Champion who will stand up for Hartley Wintney in Hart District Council.

## VOTE GRAHAM BARTLETT FOR HART DISTRICT COUNCIL



Denzil Coulson will stand up for Hartley-Wintney in Parliament.

Denzil is 37 years old and is a primary school teacher and an experienced councillor. He is married to Amanda and has an 8-year old son named Joshua.

### 4 REASONS TO VOTE FOR DENZIL

1. Denzil is a campaigner for more teachers and school places so that parents are able to send their children to good quality schools close to where they live.

2. He believes that the NHS must remain in public hands providing good quality services for all.

3. Denzil wants to lead the way in promoting better neighbourhood policing to reduce crime..

4. He wants more powers for local councils to invest in their communities to create jobs and restore a sense of pride of place .

## VOTE DENZIL COULSON FOR PARLIAMENT

**Liberal Democrats working locally together with you all year round**

# IT'S TIME FOR CHANGE AND HONESTY

**Locally and nationally the state of finances is in a mess - in 2010 it's time for honesty about the choices ahead**

People are **SHOCKED** and worried about the state of our economy. They feel let down by both the Government and our Conservative councils.

## Labour failure

Residents have had enough of a Labour Government that has encouraged casino-style banking, a false boom based on inflated house prices and covered up a broken political system.

Prospective Lib Dem MP Denzil Coulson said, "MPs are resigning before they are voted out. Some are ashamed of their track record and lavish expense claims. Britain needs a fresh start in politics, and Hartley Wintney needs a local champion who will stand up for local people."

## "Sixty year mistake"

Many are far from convinced by the Conservatives. Few trust a party which backed Labour over the war in Iraq, which called for less regulation in the City, and caused controversy last summer when one of their leading

MEPs called the NHS a "60-year mistake."

And residents have seen the quality of local services decline under Conservatives at Hart and Hampshire, and now face high charges, services under threat and money being wasted.

Local residents have been ignored by both Labour and the Conservatives over the Pyestock Mega-Depot development. A Labour Minister approved the development without even visiting the site! Local Tories initially chose not to oppose the development until local Lib Dems forced Hart Council to fight it.

## We need real change

Denzil Coulson added, "Our area needs a local champion. Someone who is honest about the choices we must make."

"The Lib Dems believe we need decent value-for-money services locally and tax cuts for people on ordinary incomes. The Conservatives' priority is a tax cut for millionaires. This is not the change Britain needs."



**Cllr David Simpson and Liberal Democrat Parliamentary campaigner Denzil Coulson talking about the real change they hope to see in 2010.**

## LIB DEM PLAN FOR REAL CHANGE

### LOOK AFTER THE NHS

Look after our local health service making sure money is kept in front line services.

### MAKE HARTLEY WINTNEY SAFER

More police on our streets to tackle crime and anti-social behaviour and to make people feel safer.

### PROTECT THE ENVIRONMENT

Boost real recycling and lead fight against climate change. Protect against over-development.

### MORE SCHOOL PLACES

Local children should be able to go to the best local schools. We need to create new school places.

### REAL ACTION FOR OUR ECONOMY

We need new green jobs in a new green economy. Tackle youth unemployment and provide tax cuts for those on ordinary incomes.

## FOUR STEPS TO A FAIRER BRITAIN

Fair taxes for all.

A fair start for children.

Fair, transparent and local politics.

A fair and sustainable economy.

**CHANGE THAT WORKS FOR YOU**



# HULFORD'S LANE VICTORY



Colin, Graham and David pleased with the result

**Hart Road Safety chairman Cllr Colin Ive was asked by Parish Councillor Graham Bartlett and concerned residents to try and sort out the dangerous traffic in Hulford's Lane.**

Colin and Graham approached local County Councillor David Simpson. David arranged for someone from Hampshire Highways (North) to meet local users and see if any ideas could be used to make this dangerous road safer.

New signs, as proposed by local people, are now in place.

If there is anything else you feel we should also be looking at then please let us know. We frequently find the best ideas come from the people most directly concerned so invite you to send in YOUR ideas.

## GREENFIELDS SCHOOL EXTENSION

**Liberal Democrats are delighted that this is now going ahead and will be built this year, after the County said it could not be funded.**

This is the result everyone wants for the children of Hartley Wintney.

County Councillor David Simpson commented :

"I was pleased to be able to help. I persuaded the Cabinet member to visit and overrule the previous decision so local children would get this much needed extra space."

## YOUR HARTLEY WINTNEY LIBERAL DEMOCRAT FOCUS TEAM

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## HAMPSHIRE POLICE FIGHT ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR

**A year ago Hampshire Police ran a vigorous campaign to catch more burglars and cut burglary across Hampshire. It was tremendously successful.**

So last summer they ran another coordinated campaign, this time to cut anti-social behaviour. This resulted in the biggest drop in anti-social behaviour anyone can ever remember.

Vandalism, disturbance, graffiti, noise and gangs intimidating people all have a bad impact on many lives.

Vice Chair of Hampshire Police Authority Cllr Adrian Collett said "It's good to see this being strongly fought and Lib Dem councillors will ensure that this is kept up."

