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From your Liberal Democrat Focus Team
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Cllr Mike Heap
Cllr Richard Whitehouse
Mrs Sandra Terry

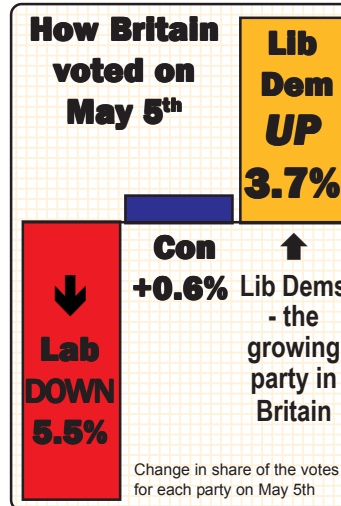


David Murray

“Thank you”

I would like to thank all of you who voted for me during the General Election. We managed to make considerable progress across Wolverhampton South East constituency and many people warmed to the theme of fairness in our policies.

David Murray



An apology

We must apologise to many residents of the Ward especially in Woodcross and Lanesfield who did not receive our election literature. As a Party we spent a considerable amount of money in producing a quality leaflet which The Royal Mail were supposed to deliver and for which they have been paid. They patently failed to do this everywhere which is just symptomatic of the declining service the public are getting from them.

Problems at the GKN site

Councillor Malcolm Gwinnett reports that the Focus Team has received a number of complaints concerning noise, dust, and parking problems from the contractors building the mini estate on the former GKN site. He has contacted planning enforcement officers demanding immediate action.

Malcolm is still most concerned about traffic access in and around the site. He wanted an extra access only road in to the site along the route of an existing entry on the Wolverhampton side of the GKN office block. However, Councillor Rowley of the planning committee, completely misunderstood the concept of an access only road and dismissed the idea because he didn't want another junction on to the Birmingham New Road. Councillor Malcolm Gwinnett commented "I am really

fed up with outsiders such as Councillor Rowley playing political games with our area, perhaps they should learn to pull together for the benefit of all". Malcolm went on to say "I am still concerned about allowing easy access on to Hilton Road and the front of the flats on the new road off the new entrance road in to the new estate. Consequently, I am pushing for speed tables at the entrances to these roads to help deter rat running through the Lanesfield estate".

On a pleasing note Malcolm said, "The developers and planners listened to our views regarding the siting of a new play area and the housing mix on the estate to include more 3/4 bed roomed houses and fewer apartments. I believe when all the traffic problems have been sorted out this will be an excellent development".

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Traffic Lights



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Cllr Mike Heap wants more lights like this one.

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