

Objections pile in on Allstone's planning application

The county council has received forty individual objections opposing the planning application by Allstone to carry on stone crushing for three more years at its Myers Road site.

County Councillor, Jeremy Hilton has also received a petition with over 90 signatures from local residents opposing the plan. He handed the petition to the chair of the planning committee at the December county council meeting.

Jeremy Hilton said: "I have personally sent in my own objections to the planning application and I have agreement that the planning committee will determine the application rather than being done under officer delegated powers."



Jeremy Hilton receives petition from residents of Swallow Park

I am told that the earliest the application could be heard is at the March committee. Officers have asked for additional information from Allstone in respect to noise, air quality and landscaping."

The county council is still receiving written comments on the application. Go online to www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/planning - Ref No: 15/0077/GLMAJW



Allstone breaking the planning condition to keep maximum height of stockpile to 4 metres.

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Introducing Isabel Brazil

Isabel Brazil has lived in Kingsholm for eight years being born in Gloucester.

She brought up her nineteen-year-old daughter who is currently at university in London and only Esme the poodle and Biscuit the ginger moggy reside with her now.

Isabel has had a varied and versatile career working in jobs from farming to shipping imports. She is now employed by Gloucester Services who work with the Gateway Trust charity.

She has helped and worked with the Liberal Democrats for many years as her father Peter was a well-respected councillor. Isabel hopes to live up to his good name, as the new city councillor for Kingsholm & Wotton.

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Kingsholm & Wotton ward No. 195

Introducing Isabel Brazil as Sebastian Field steps down

Sebastian Field will be standing down from the city council at the local elections in May 2016. Having served the Kingsholm and Wotton ward since 2007, he is now pursuing other challenges in his life, especially his musical career. The Liberal Democrats have selected local resident Isabel Brazil as Sebastian's hopeful successor.



Sebastian Field endorses Isabel Brazil

Sebastian said: "I have loved my time on the city council and this was not a decision I took lightly. Kingsholm and Wotton is a great place to live and work and I will miss being one of the councillors for the area. Isabel Brazil will make an excellent councillor and I would urge all residents to back her to succeed me."

Isabel Brazil lives in Edwy Parade and knows the local area very well. Her late father Peter Brazil was a councillor.

Cllr Jeremy Hilton said: "This year we have all out elections for the city council, for 39 council seats. I shall be standing for Kingsholm and Wotton and I am delighted that Isabel Brazil is joining me as my running mate. Sebastian Field and I have worked well as a team and Isabel if elected will join a strong team of Lib Dem councillors in Gloucester'.

Isabel Brazil said: "I am delighted to have the chance to serve Kingsholm and Wotton. I will work hard for the area."

Brazil & Hilton for Kingsholm & Wotton - May 5th

There will be all out elections to the city council on the 5th May due to boundary changes. The voters of Kingsholm and Wotton will elect two councillors to serve for 4 years.

Jeremy Hilton, who has been a councillor for the area for 24 years, will be seeking re-election and Isabel Brazil will join him as his running mate. We urge you to use your two votes for Isabel Brazil and Jeremy Hilton.

The Liberal Democrat team work hard for Kingsholm & Wotton keeping in touch all year round with regular Spotlight newsletters.



Isabel Brazil & Jeremy Hilton campaigning together

Visibility to be improved at Heathville Road junction

For many years, drivers have complained about the poor visibility when exiting Heathville onto London Road. Vision is obstructed by the planter outside the former Trident Life Building.

The county council has agreed to shave off the corner of the planter to improve visibility.

The scheme will cost around £4,500 and will be funded by the highways local fund that is allocated to Cllr Hilton to spend on local projects.

Jeremy Hilton said: "I am delighted this project has now been agreed. I tend to use the highways local fund for safety schemes that otherwise would not be approved. I am waiting for a date for the work to start."



The planter in London Road that blocks visibility for motorists exiting Heathville Road

School governor sought

Jeremy Hilton has been asked to find a new governor for the High School for Girls. This would be a local authority appointment on a recommendation from him as the local county councillor.

He said: "I would like to nominate someone who lives locally in Kingsholm. If you are interested, do write to me by post or in an email explaining why you would like to be a school governor at the High School."

Pedestrian crossing for Denmark Road?

Sebastian Field and Isabel Brazil met with local resident Agnes Ali to hear her concerns over road safety for children in the Denmark Road area.

Agnes, who lives nearby, wants drivers to slow down on the cul-de-sacs off Lansdown Road. She also believes a crossing on Denmark Road would make it safer for children crossing the road.

Sebastian Field said: We will be seeking a site meeting with the Highways manager for the area to look at these issues. We would welcome residents' feedback in the meantime."



Isabel Brazil & Agnes Ali want pedestrian crossing here

Lottery Success for Gloucestershire Archives



Gloucestershire Archives in Alvin Street have secured £1.1 million from the Heritage Lottery Fund, for their groundbreaking "For the Record" project.

This award unlocks significant funding from Gloucestershire County Council, partners, trusts and foundations, as well as generous donations from the public.

Sebastian Field said: "This is great news. I have used the Archives many times and I am very glad to hear they will be improved and preserved for future generations."

Jeremy Hilton added: "This means the planned new 'Heritage Hub' can become a reality, and that the Archive will be able to keep on preserving the documents that tell the ongoing story of the county's history."

Improvement work for Lansdown Rd roundabout



Jeremy Hilton secures funding for roundabout improvements

The circumference of the roundabout at the end of Lansdown Road is just a bit too big. Large vehicles often ride over the edge of the roundabout churning up the grass.

The good news is this should soon be a problem of the past as Jeremy Hilton has secured funding to reduce the edge of the roundabout by a metre installing tarmac and a new curb around the circumference of the roundabout.

Jeremy Hilton said: "The roundabout is regularly damaged by large vehicles riding over it. I hope that the works when completed, will stop this happening in future. This is an attractive part of Kingsholm and the work should keep it that way."

Tory run councils to hike council tax by up to 4%

After five years of freezing the council tax, which was supported by special grant from the coalition government, the council tax looks set to rise.

This year George Osborne has scrapped the council tax freeze grant, and now Tory run Gloucestershire County Council and Gloucester City Council are proposing to put up the council tax.

Isabel Brazil said: "Tory leader at Shire Hall, Mark Hawthorne is proposing an increase at 4%, while Paul James, city leader wants a 2% hike. With many of us still struggling financially this will come as bad news."

Sebert Street footpath extended



The footpath along Sebert Street, by the safety barrier, has been extended a couple of metres on the request of Jeremy Hilton. It should stop this area getting muddy again.

Isabel Brazil – taking action for Kingsholm & Wotton

- ☑ Isabel has reported the potholes on the Kingsholm Road/Tewkesbury Road roundabout for filling
- ☑ She has asked the council to investigate the dip in the crossing point at the Kingsholm Road end of Denmark Road, as it is causing a puddle when it rains
- ☑ Isabel has asked Highways to assess the condition of Heathville Road, and programme it for repair
- ☑ She has reported the rusty box on Denmark Road to the council as a safety concern
- ☑ Isabel Brazil has asked for the base of the Worcester Parade street sign to be repaired, and for it to be centred once more



Isabel Brazil asks council to sort puddle problem

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