

# Liberal Democrat priorities for Gloucester

## Six good policies for the city



Gloucester's Liberal Democrat team of candidates for the county council elections have agreed a list six policies that they will pursue at Shire Hall to make Gloucester a better place to live and work:-

- 👍 Lib Dems will ensure that Gloucester is served by **high quality primary and secondary schools** located in all areas of the city to reduce unnecessary travel between home and school.
- 👍 We will ensure that the county council fully supports the **continued regeneration of our historic city** making sure that projects such as removing the bottleneck on the **SW Bypass** are delivered swiftly and effectively.
- 👍 Delivery of **strong economic growth** in Gloucester is a Liberal Democrat priority and we will work hard to deliver more skilled and unskilled jobs located within the city's boundaries.
- 👍 The quality of life of the citizens of Gloucester is important and we shall ensure that the city gets its **fair share of the £25 million** annual public health budget to be spent on improving the health and wellbeing of Gloucester residents.
- 👍 We must **tackle the problem of growing pollution** from road traffic in certain congested areas in Gloucester. The city's Lib Dem county councillors will make sure that the county council delivers projects to improve air quality throughout Gloucester.
- 👍 Liberal Democrats will deliver improved investment in **repairing our roads and footpaths**. A new dedicated budget will be assigned for footway repairs, which have become neglected by the Conservative run council.

# Jeremy HILTON

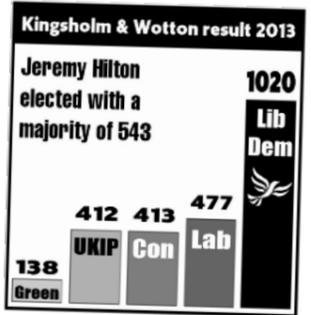


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## Another Liberal Democrat success

# Hyde Lane made safe as road is resurfaced

It has taken a long time, but at last Hyde Lane has been resurfaced, thanks to the single-minded determination of Cllr. Jeremy Hilton. His persistence has paid off.

The top end of Hyde Lane is currently a private road, but it is also a signposted pedestrian route to Gloucestershire Royal Hospital. Following the resurfacing, the lane will be adopted by the county council.

**Jeremy Hilton said:** "I finally secured funding from the county council for the road to be repaired last year. It was resurfaced the week of 6th March.

"Hyde Lane was full of potholes and unsafe for pedestrians to use. In particular, for elderly or disabled patients using this route to get to hospital appointments.

"We must remember that besides residents of Kingsholm using this route to get to the hospital, people arriving on the No. 10 or No. 94 bus do so as well.

"I am pleased that after such a long time I finally got the road resurfaced."



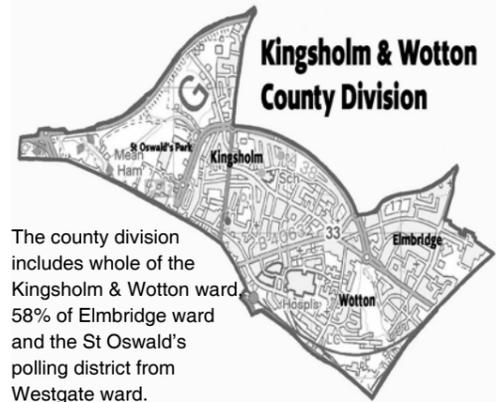
## Re-elect Jeremy Hilton 4th May



- ✓ Jeremy has represented Kingsholm on the county council for a total of 20 years
- ✓ He started the Spotlight newsletter that keeps you informed
- ✓ Jeremy is fighting to save the Civil Service ground for sport and recreation
- ✓ He works closely with Lib Dem city councillors Isabel Brazil (Kingsholm & Wotton), Emily Ryall (Elmbridge) & Howard Hyman (Elmbridge)
- ✓ Jeremy is campaigning for a new comprehensive school for the north of Gloucester
- ✓ He wants see more funds invested in our roads and pavements
- ✓ Jeremy works hard for our area all year round - getting things done

## Energetic, Enthusiastic & Experienced

## Map of county division



The county division includes whole of the Kingsholm & Wotton ward, 58% of Elmbrook ward and the St Oswald's polling district from Westgate ward.

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## New lifts for Clapham Court



Work begins on new lifts

Gloucester City Homes is installing new lifts into the ten story Clapham Court. The current lifts stop at alternative floors, the left lift at odd floors and the right at the even floors.

"The work started in January and will take 40 weeks to complete. Stair lifts have been installed between the floors to be used by elderly residents while work takes place when only one lift is operational.

"Residents will remember the problem in 2008 when one lift was down for 8 weeks. I'm pleased to see the new lifts will stop at all floors," said Jeremy Hilton.

## Slow progress on Swallow Park parking problem

The county council has drawn up plans to lay down double yellow lines at the junctions on the Swallow Park estate. The purpose is to stop inconsiderate parking at these locations.



Jeremy Hilton said:

"Before the double yellow lines could be put down the council will have to follow a legal process that includes consultation with local residents.

"I'm still waiting to hear when the consultation will start, but in the meantime the map of the proposals can be viewed on my website. Please let me know what you think."

<http://jeremyhilton.mycouncillor.org.uk/swallow-park/>

## Dexter Way - Rooftop Housing won't clear up litter

Rooftop Housing Association have been criticised for the amount litter seen around Dexter Way. Amazingly, Rooftop Housing doesn't have a litter management plan for their estate.

Jeremy Hilton said: "I'm concerned that Rooftop Housing doesn't have a plan to clear litter from the public areas. They need to resolve this matter. It is not acceptable that litter is not cleared up."

If the public areas of the estate are adopted the city council they would be responsible for clearing the litter.

## Colebridge Ave gets new footways

Lib Dems will create dedicated budget for footways



The county council will only complete four footway schemes in Gloucester by 31st March. Colebridge Avenue is one of them.

Liberal Democrats believe that footway resurfacing should receive higher priority in future and they plan to create a dedicated budget for this purpose.

Jeremy Hilton said: "I am pleased that the footways in Colebridge Avenue are being resurfaced. I am working hard to get more footways resurfaced within the Kingsholm & Wotton county division.

## Liberal Democrats demand answers on railway station subway funding failure

Lib Dems have demanded answers as to why a multi-million pound scheme to improve access to Gloucester railway station failed.

At city council on 23<sup>rd</sup> March councillors discussed the failure of the city council's Growth Deal 3 bid to secure funding to improve the linkages to and from the railway station and the creation of a memorable space outside the main entrance.

It was agreed that the council leader produces a report on why the bid failed, what lessons have been learnt and how the council can succeed in obtaining funding in the future.

Jeremy Hilton said: "Lib Dems are disappointed that the multi-million pound bid failed. We would love to see a complete upgrading of the subway that runs from Great Western Road to Bruton Way with an impressive new plaza outside the station's main entrance.

"The subway is a busy pedestrian route between the hospital and the city centre. It is impassable for people using a wheelchair. It is grotty and a blot on Gloucester's landscape."

Work will start soon on a new station car park serviced off Great Western Road.

## Tory austerity at Shire Hall

In the last ten years 1,969 workers have lost their jobs as the Tories have slashed vital services.

From 2013/14 to 2015/17 the Conservative run county council has handed out £6.7 million in redundancy payments.



## Michaelmas Court bollards



Wooden bollards have been erected on the narrow road section of Michaelmas Court to stop cars being parked up and ruining the grass verges.

Funding came from the Highways Local Fund allocated to the Kingsholm & Wotton county division.

## Around the county division *action file*

- ✓ The damaged safety barriers on the Kingsholm Road/ Estcourt Rd roundabout have now been repaired.
- ✓ Jeremy Hilton met residents of Cathedral Court, London Road, to talk about the work of the city and county councils and his role as their councillor.
- ✓ Damaged footway on Newland Street is to be repaired after both local residents and Jeremy Hilton reported the problem to the county council.
- ✓ Jeremy Hilton is still pressing Persimmon Homes to provide a top surface to Bonnies Lane.
- ✓ The footpath along the Wotton Brook from Kenilworth Ave to Argyll Place remains closed. Jeremy is urging the county council to repair and reopen it during the 2017/18 financial year as previously scheduled.
- ✓ Claremont Road and the area around the roundabout at junction of London Road, Barnwood Road & Estcourt Road were recently resurfaced.

**Jeremy Hilton working for you all year round**