

PRIDE IN CHANDLER'S FORD?

How can we be proud of Eastleigh at the moment? The Borough is looking particularly 'scruffy' these days with weeds growing everywhere – in the verges, on the pavements and in the roads.

Is this the Future for Eastleigh? Is this what the 'Future Eastleigh' programme promised? No, we were specifically assured that 'there would be no cuts to frontline services' and yet our streets remain untended for weeks on end. Have the recent cuts – labelled 'efficiency savings' by the Borough Council – left the Council without the resources it needs to run the Borough efficiently? And if the effect is so visually apparent on our streets, what's happening in areas that we cannot see?

The officers and staff at Eastleigh Borough Council work extremely hard, but are



Steve Brine MP and Cllr Judith Grajewski (sitting) meeting residents at last month's Summer Tour street surgery at Fryern Arcade

they being put under too much pressure to maintain the standards residents rightly expect?

Cllr Margaret Atkinson says, "It's time that a considered review is made for the future of Eastleigh rather than this administration allowing monumental changes to be made without proper scrutiny and without consultation with its residents and council tax payers".

COUNTY COUNCILLOR GRANT SCHEME



County Councillor Judith Grajewski

Could your local community group or charity benefit from a county councillor grant? If you wish to apply, please contact your county councillor first. County Cllr Judith Grajewski says, "Last year I was delighted to approve 12 small grants to local groups to enable them to fund equipment or activities which otherwise might not have happened. I'm pleased that Hampshire County Council is continuing to fund the scheme this year."

Find out if your project might qualify and read more at:

<http://www3.hants.gov.uk/grants/county-councillor-grants.htm>

NEWS IN BRIEF.....

- **Your Parish Council has voted to re-elect Cllr Margaret Atkinson as its Chairman for the municipal year 2017-2018.**
- **Don't forget to respond to the Household Enquiry Form you'll have received recently from Eastleigh Borough Council. This is a legal requirement. You can respond online using the security codes given on the form.**
- **Fryern Community Association has a full programme of events every Friday, from Bridge for Beginners and Junior Chess to film nights & weekly coffee mornings at Fryern Pavilion. For details, contact Clive French 023 8026 3503 or email: french.cj@talk21.com**

SENSORY GARDEN VANDALISED

Local residents wished to remember Dorothy Bray, a very well know local lady who was often seen around Chandler's Ford with her guide dog. Monies were raised by them and, together with funds from the Parish Council, a sensory garden has been created at the Hiltingbury Recreation Ground and become a place of tranquillity for residents to sit in and enjoy. This garden has recently been vandalised. Why seek to destroy this place of remembrance? If you know who did this let the police know.

CAN YOU HELP US?

- Display a poster at election time
- Deliver leaflets
- Join the Conservative Party
- Vote by post
- Stand for Council

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NO TO 365 HOMES IN FLEXFORD ROAD

Local residents breathed a sigh of relief when Test Valley Borough Council refused to grant outline permission for up to 365 new homes at Thorn Hill, Flexford Road, North Baddesley. Cllr Judith Grajewski attended the planning meeting at the Crosfield Hall in Romsey in August along with concerned residents. Almost 200 members of the public had submitted comments on the application.

Judith says, "Last year, I wrote to both the developer and TVBC

objecting to the proposals. Chandler's Ford residents had contacted me, concerned about the potential increase in traffic and the inability of the local infrastructure to cope". TVBC gave 8 reasons for refusal including impact on the transport network, no provision for additional primary school places and impact on the local gap.



TVBC Planning Meeting

EASTLEIGH'S EMERGING LOCAL PLAN CHALLENGED

Eastleigh Borough Council's Emerging Local Plan (2011-2036) has been delayed again. Nevertheless, plans for Options B & C, moved a step closer on 20th July when a majority of members voted to proceed with progressing the Plan which includes a new community of 5,200 new homes north east of Bishopstoke & Fair Oak and a new bypass joining the M3 at J12.

Hundreds of residents attended the meeting to object alongside representatives from The Woodland Trust, The Angling Trust, CPRE, the Test & Itchen Association, Mims Davies MP and neighbouring parish representatives.

The Conservatives asked for a recorded vote and 3 Lib Dem councillors voted against the recommendation with two more abstaining. The Conservative Group voted Against.

IF YOU HAVE ANY ISSUES THAT YOU THINK YOUR LOCAL CONSERVATIVE TEAM IN CHANDLER'S FORD AND HILTINGBURY CAN HELP YOU WITH, PLEASE CONTACT:

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