



Old Heath & The Hythe Rose



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Spring edition

News from your local Labour Councillors

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WHAT'S THAT SMELL?

As everyone knows, Old Heath and the Hythe have always suffered at times with the smell from the sewage treatment plant on Haven Road. This usually occurs when there is strong wind and warm weather. However over the last 2 years this smell has become more consistent.

After getting several residents to write in to Environmental Health, we asked for more action to be taken against Anglian Water and for a full inspection.

One key finding from an inspection found that the main sludge tank being used to store the sewage did not have a roof and this is likely the cause of the recent consistent smell. Anglian Water have applied for a bid to have a roof for this tank and in the meantime they will use other smaller tanks that have a roof. Sadly as Anglian Water are a private company, the council can only assert so much pressure for them to pay for a roof for this sewage tank.

Environmental Health will continue to monitor the odour emanating from the sewage works.



We have also worked with Environmental Health to deal with sewage issues in Rowhedge emanating from the new Wharf Development, where the developer was yet to link up the homes to the main sewage lines and allowed their cess pit to overflow.

If you do smell anything unpleasant from the sewage treatment plant please either;

- Email us with the time and location
- Phone Environmental Health on **01206 282581/2**



COMMUNITY LITTER PICK PLANNED THIS NEW YEAR

All are welcome and all equipment is provided

Hythe Moors clean up

Sunday 2 February, 10.30am

Meet at Timber Hill/Spurgeon Street

FLOODING ON HAVEN ROAD UPDATE

In 2018 Cllr Scordis, your County Councillor, achieved word for several new drains across Haven Road, which seemed to alleviate most of the flooding during heavy rain. This winter the road has started to flood in heavy rain again as the drains have become blocked over the course of the year. We have asked Essex Highways to attend on site to clear all the blocked drains.

We are aware that the road still floods during high-tide, despite the new drains. Part of this is down to a broken flood valve on the quay that has been broken for years. This is the responsibility of our good friends, Anglian Water, who we continue to put pressure on to repair this.

THANK YOU TO ALL THOSE WHO SUPPORTED LABOUR IN THE GENERAL ELECTION

Labour come a strong second in Colchester

Thank you to all those who supported Labour and Tina in December's General Election. Labour came a strong second in Colchester and are clearly the main challengers to the Conservatives in the town.

However there's no hiding it. The result in December was terrible for the Labour Party and all those residents we meet who depend on a Labour government. It's clear that nationally we have lost a lot of trust with the electorate and we have a lot of work to do to gain that trust back. We respect everyone, no matter how they voted, and we will work hard to gain back your trust in Labour.

General Election 2019 Colchester

PARTY	CANDIDATE	VOTES	%
	Will Quince	26,917	50.4
	Tina McKay	17,494	32.8
	Martin Goss	7,432	13.9
	Mark Goacher	1,530	2.9
MAJORITY		9,423	11.4

Student Development rejected by Kendall School

Cllr Scordis & Fox were glad that this proposal was rejected



We are glad to hear that the planning application for student accommodation was turned down at the site of the former care homes by Kendall School. Not only were the rooms too small and unsuitable (which were the main reasons for refusal), but the area would have been unsuitable for students and the community would have gained little from this as the area is mainly residential. We encouraged all residents with concerns to write in to planning and thank all those that did so. The area is still owned by the former care company as well as the road to the school.

MAKING COLCHESTER GREENER AND MORE SUSTAINABLE

Colchester is now the third best in the UK for improving recycling.



- Labour in Colchester is working hard to make Colchester a greener and more sustainable town. Over the last year we have had some great successes that we have pushed for including;
- ✓ 55% of our waste is now recycled (a 9% increase on 2018)
 - ✓ Gum bins installed in the town centre – 11kg of gum has been collected as of September 2019
 - ✓ Recycle bins installed in the Town Centre and the Rec after Cllr Scordis lobbied at a cabinet meeting
 - ✓ Recycling brought into flats
 - ✓ Winning a bid to retrofit 10 buses in Colchester with emission reducing engines
 - ✓ Planting 200,000 trees across the borough

What we're also lobbying for;

- ✓ More investment in cycle lanes
- ✓ Safer storage for bicycles to promote more cycling
- ✓ Mandatory bike-ability in all schools
- ✓ Bus franchising to stop bus services being scrapped by private companies
- ✓ Electric charging points in Colchester car parks
- ✓ Investigating electric vehicles for Colchester Council's fleet of vehicles
- ✓ An expansion to the wheelie bin programme where appropriate
- ✓ Shops to cut down on using single-use plastic

WORKING ALL YEAR ROUND

Kerbstones on Normandy Avenue repaired



Leaves and pavement cleared on Montgomery Close



Table Tennis table part-funded by us on the Rec



Paxman Park Christmas event part-funded by us



Bin re-installed on Old Heath Road



Overgrown hedge trimmed back off of Mersea Road



Disused trailer removed from Hythe Quay



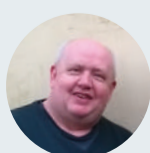
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