

Elmbridge Borough Council Elections: THURSDAY 5 MAY 2016

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**Your local choice for
Oxshott & Stoke d'Abernon**



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**Oxshott & Stoke d'Abernon
Conservatives**

Dear Resident

A warm welcome to residents from the Cobham Fairmile area and to all existing residents of Oxshott and Stoke d'Abernon! We feel privileged to have been selected as Conservative candidates in this very special part of Elmbridge, which we will do our utmost to protect and enhance.

The unique, semi-rural identity of Elmbridge is particularly important to us. We remain committed to protecting the Green Belt, woodland, recreational areas and tranquillity which make this part of Surrey such a desirable place to live. We have all been active in taking a reasonable yet critical approach to local development, with numerous successes.

We know that the high standard of services which Elmbridge offers do have their price and are largely financed by local taxation. Better services and reasonable taxation are the wish of us all - but clearly this is only possible with prudent financial management, high standards on quality, limiting wastage and value-for-money in procurement. We will bring our expertise in this area to Elmbridge's positive record.

Local issues such as traffic, parking and policing play a big role in day-to-day quality of life and we will work with local Police and authorities to find solutions to these challenges.

We very much hope for your support in the upcoming election and look forward to meeting you and bringing our enthusiasm and expertise to strengthening your Council.

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Our priorities:

- 1** In cooperation with Surrey County Council and Surrey Police, ensure our roads are as safe and free flowing as possible.
- 2** By supporting residents' needs and delivering on commitments, ensure that Elmbridge continues to be one of England's best run Borough Councils.
- 3** To protect the culture, character and identity of our Ward, prevent encroachment into our Green Belt and maintain our open spaces.
- 4** Responsible development in support of the Borough's housing needs.
- 5** Be a strong voice for Oxshott, Stoke d'Abernon and Fairmile residents and businesses by listening and keeping you informed of progress, challenges and achievements.

About Andrew

Andrew has lived in Elmbridge since 2002. As the father of 3 boys, all of whom are schooled locally, Andrew has a passionate interest in the local community and commitment to maintaining the identity and often unique benefits of this beautiful area. Andrew's key professional interests are in finance and efficiency and hopes to use this experience to ensure the protection and delivery of front line services. Andrew runs the UK business of a financial services company, commuting into London everyday. Andrew enjoys climbing, mountain biking and supporting his boys in their sporting endeavours!

About Oliver

Oliver has lived in Oxshott for the past 8 years and previously in other parts of Surrey. He has been actively engaged with local issues around planning, policing and residents' committees in the Ward. Oliver can look back on a 20 year career in the financial industry with management responsibility in London and abroad and now spends most of his time in the local area, building experience in local matters. Oliver has a keen interest in travel and, after so many years in the office, is now enjoying handiwork in the garden, at home and on classic cars.

About James

James has lived in Stoke d'Abernon for 41 years and has represented Oxshott and Stoke d'Abernon as an Elmbridge Borough Councillor since May 1992. He has enjoyed a wide and varied career ranging from the arts to professional soldier and commerce. James serves on a range of local community groups which are involved in helping children, young people and elderly residents. He is an active supporter of the Arts in Elmbridge and is an Oxshott Heath Conservator Committee member and a member of the Stoke d'Abernon Conservation Area Advisory Committee.

LOCAL ISSUES, LOCAL ACTION, LOCAL CONSERVATIVES

CONSERVATIVE ELMBRIDGE - LET'S KEEP MOVING FORWARD

ELMBRIDGE IN SAFE HANDS



OUR PLEDGES TO YOU

WE WILL

- ✓ Continue to work hard as Conservatives to provide excellent services and value for money for our residents.
- ✓ Work closely with residents and community groups to oppose inappropriate development and seek to protect the character of our borough whilst striving to ensure adequate and proper housing for all those who live in our borough.
- ✓ Promote and support a vibrant and successful business, retail and social environment in our town centres.
- ✓ Proactively engage with and support our community and voluntary sector partners.
- ✓ Above all, listen to our residents and act upon your concerns and needs.

YOUR CONSERVATIVE COUNCIL

As Conservatives we believe in value for money as well as open, transparent and effective democracy. That is why as Conservatives we have eliminated unnecessary and wasteful expenditure from Elmbridge Borough Council achieving savings of nearly £10 million over the past 7 years. We have also delivered on our pledge to reduce the size of the Council (it had the most elected Councillors in Surrey). This is why the whole Council is up for election. We will continue to look for ways of streamlining your Council.

Elmbridge continues to be not only one of the highest performing Councils in the country but also one of the most sought after boroughs to live in. Conservative councillors will do all they can to maintain our residents' quality of life by keeping increases in council tax to the minimum, investing in your borough, opposing inappropriate development and continuing to deliver high quality efficient services to our residents.

This year will see a reduction in central government funding of £550k which is 28% less than we received last year (Elmbridge now receives just £21 towards the £125 annual spend per resident). To cover a proportion of that shortfall we are having to increase the Elmbridge element of the Council Tax by £3.93 per year for a Band D household. This will ensure we can continue to deliver those vital services you rightly expect from your Council.

OUR ACHIEVEMENTS

Since taking control of the council we have

- Invested in the improvement of our town centres through grants from the Elmbridge Civic Improvement Fund.
- Achieved zero Borough Council Tax increases in 7 out of the last 10 years (the Residents' Political Parties put up taxes in 12 out of 13 years).
- Given local communities access to funding for improvements to their locality through the Community Infrastructure Levy.
- Increased funding to the voluntary sector and provided use of the Elmbridge Community Hub.
- Worked closely with our partners to provide in excess of 1000 affordable homes in the borough.
- Put the Council on a strong financial footing with robust governance and accountability.
- Seen the level of residents' satisfaction with our services rise to an all time high of 88%.
- Planned to start the building of a state-of-the-art Sports Hub in Walton.
- Reviewed all key contracts - for example, waste collection, maintenance of green spaces and CCTV monitoring - to deliver the best value for money.
- Pursued joint working with other local authorities, Surrey Police and key stakeholders to provide more effective services.



CARING AND CAMPAIGNING IN OXSHOTT & STOKE D'ABERNON

STOKE ROAD SPEED REVIEW

In response to the 'Setting Speed Limits Policy' and with significant local resident support, a reduction to 30 mph was introduced in November 2014 on the Stoke Road from the Chelsea training ground to Leigh Hill Road in Cobham. This demonstrates significant cooperation between Elmbridge Conservative Councillors and Surrey County Council.



SAFETY FIRST

Extension to the 30 mph speed limit on the Leatherhead Road, Oxshott. Local residents expect their main roads to be as safe as possible, with a sensible and a practical approach to traffic management.



EXTENDING PAVEMENTS

Support of the extension of pavements in Oxshott. Where possible, planning permissions are now contingent on the construction of pavements where a site meets the highway.



WORKING TOGETHER

Working with local people over concerns and providing developer oversight at Knowle Hill Park.

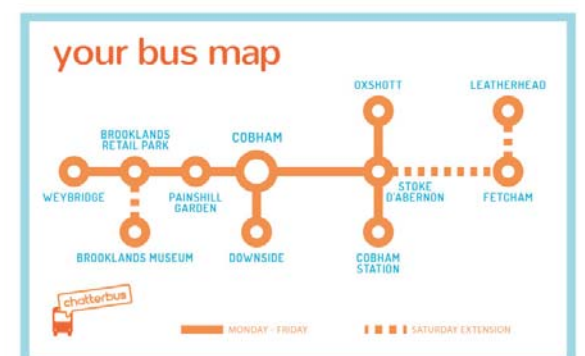


ON-STREET PARKING

Supporting and encouraging Surrey County Council on Car Parking consultation and delivery, including a Borough-wide review of on-street parking.

GRANTS FOR LOCAL PROJECTS

The award of grants for local projects from the Community Infrastructure Levy. Grants contributed to the kitchen in St Mary's Church Hall and equipped the new entrance area in Royal Kent School. A significant contribution was made to the Chatterbus service, running between Weybridge, Cobham, Oxshott and Stoke d'Abernon. A further contribution to this important and successful community initiative has recently been agreed.



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