

FOCUS

ELECTION 2007 - SPECIAL EDITION

on Chatteris - Slade Lode



LIBERAL DEMOCRATS

www.libdems.org.uk



ON MAY 3RD YOU HAVE THE CHANCE TO GIVE CHATTERIS THE OPPORTUNITY IT DESERVES !

On Thursday May 3rd, we get our once in 4 Year Chance to have our say about who represents us at Town Council and on Fenland District Council.

Chatteris is divided into 4 Electoral wards. Whichever Ward you live in, you have the opportunity to Vote in 3 Town Councillors and 1 District Councillor.

Chatteris Liberal Democrats believe that Chatteris has been the "poor relation" in Fenland for far too long! And FDC has spent nothing like enough money on Chatteris. Despite the fact that in the last few years FDC has sold off over £600,000 assets inherited from the old Chatteris Urban District Council, FDC still refuses to put up money to help buy the King Edward Community Centre from the County Council, or make a contribution towards building Chatteris a Leisure Centre.

We believe that our current Chatteris District Councillors are ineffectual and may fail to stand up for Chatteris because they are governed by a 'party whip'. They may moan about the District Council, but there seems little evidence of them fighting for Chatteris's rights!

Your Chatteris Focus Team also believes that the Chatteris Town Council is much in need of some fresh faces with new ideas and skills. Current

Lib Dem Cllr Chris Howes says "The 'old guard' is almost completely unreceptive to change. Over the last 4 years practically every suggestion made by myself or my Lib Dem colleagues have been thrown out by the current Town Council. They appear unable or unwilling to consider or evaluate new initiatives. Their literature makes hollow promises of what they might do if returned yet again, but ask yourself - if they've done so little during all the years they've held the reigns, are they really likely to start doing something now?"

Lib Dem Cllr Diane Baldry adds "We are proud to have put together a Team to offer Chatteris a real and exciting choice in these elections. We offer a group of varied and accomplished individuals, drawn from a wide range of ages and different skills, and lead by dedicated Councillors with a proven track record of getting things done."

Recently elected Lib Dem Cllr Christine Colbert points out: "It was Chris Howes who was behind the discovery that FDC had failed to collect £1 million from developers! And nearly £100,000 of that was due to Chatteris! And then I had to point out to FDC that they also had £1,000's of interest due to collect for late payment!" All of this money is finally coming through and we are making sure it is spent where it belongs, in our community. It's about time !"

Fenland needs a strong, campaigning opposition on the District Council



For a hardworking District Councillor

HOWES, CHRISTOPHER



Do YOU think that it's wrong:-

- ✗ That we contribute towards the cost of leisure provision in the other market towns whilst **WE** have nothing in Chatteris?
- ✗ That Chatteris Town Council has just 'sat on' a £1,000,000 of **YOUR** money for over a decade, instead of spending it in the community?
- ✗ That Chatteris Town Council spends over 47% of your money just on its own existence, without actually **ACHIEVING** much?

If **YOU THINK** they just haven't done enough - then **Vote Lib Dem on Thursday May 3rd!**
If you are happy with the performance of the Town Council and are happy to see Chatteris continue to stand still for another 4 years don't bother voting

**ON THURS MAY 3RD - TAKE 10 MINUTES TO VOTE LIB DEM -
AND WE'LL WORK FOR YOU FOR THE NEXT 4 YEARS !**



BARTLEY, JOHN



BRYCE, COLLEEN



HOWES, CHRISTOPHER



A hardworking team for the Town Council....