## HAP - SPEECH NOTES

My degree is in double physics and one hobby is foreign languages - after a GCE at evening classes I did Russian technical translations to pay for my other hobby, motorsport.

My career in electronics and systems began with making silicon chips and satellite windows, then helping to invent fibre-optic transmission. I moved into defence R&D making stuff for the RAF and Royal Navy, completing all my projects to time, cost and specification. Then it was back into telecoms, setting up fibre-optic and mobile phone networks all over the place.

My interest in politics started with the persecution of the motorist by the Labour government so I joined the Conservatives, but as the old Etonians were not listening to me, not least by kowtowing to the Fourth Reich, I joined UKIP. Nevertheless I had represented several other organisations on some public bodies and studied politics for 'Mastermind', where my specialist subject was Lady Members of the House of Commons.

Surrey CC should stick to the knitting - look after the police, fire-and-rescue, libraries, public transport and refuse collection. There should be bus stop signs for buses on both sides of the road, and refuse sites should help residents to dispose of, say a bucket of stones from the garden, without unnecessary paperwork and charges - which has led to an increase in flytipping. Perhaps it should reconsider bringing its HQ from Kingston into Surrey itself, which would certainly make life a little easier for residents.

What it should not do is to ruin our green environment by taking a chain-saw to our hedgerows and undergrowth. Our song-birds nest in bushes rather than tall trees. It should keep costs down by not paying such high salaries to so many senior staff, and be far less generous to elected members. I would do the job for the honour at half-pay, and no pension.

Finally, back to my first 'win' as Surbiton Motor-cyclist of the Year. Stop hounding the motorist. I should not have to go through five different speed limits just to reach Sunningdale, each of which needs both a start and finish sign. Just stick to 30mph in built-up areas and outside schools and use signposts for useful directions instead.

And don't forget all those potholes.

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