

Surrey Matters

- On 26th January (2017) I received through my door a copy of the winter 2016-2017 "SURREY MATTERS" publication. It contained nothing of any importance and the "Welcome" editorial by the leader of SCC, David Hodge, made no mention whatsoever of the 15% tax rise he tried to force upon us.

Another Surrey residents' association has described this publication as Conservative propaganda and Get Surrey online reported that the publication in 2016 cost £230,087.55p. This when the "necessary" switching off of street lighting was to save something like £210,000 I believe.

I would like to hear all the SCC candidates to comment on this and whether they will do anything to stop this, and other, complete waste of council tax money.

Conservatives

- I see that at least two current SCC Conservative councillors are going to stand again, but not as Conservatives. Why do/did they, and Borough councillors, associate themselves with political parties when both Borough and County Councils ignore government guidance or policy? In particular we have on Heatherside a Borough Councillor with thirty years "service" this year who does not do facebook, does not respond to emails, and fails to represent residents...so presumably he is elected only because he stands as a Conservative!

Borough and County Councillor

- Can one individual act as both Borough Councillor and County Councillor and do both jobs properly?
- Are you publishing your manifestos online somewhere?

Heatherside Shops

- Whilst acknowledging the hard work put in by the local shops at the Heatherside Arcade the shopping area is generally run down (particularly the flats and the delivery area). **What (if any) plans for this area do the candidates have in their manifestos if they were to be elected?**

Deepcut Redevelopment

- Are the candidates aware of the likely problems (Traffic/doctors/school etc) that will be caused to Heatherside by extra people, and the Maultway by heavy traffic during the development of the Mindenhurst/Deepcut estates? **What (if any) plans for this area do the candidates have in their manifestos if they were to be elected?**
- Do they have any plans to force the County Council to reassess the traffic impact of the development and force a rethink on the proposed inaction on the southern access to Deepcut and also the inadequate proposals for the M3 junction 3?

Roads

- Are candidates aware of the general state on many of the roads in the area re potholes/road furniture? **What (if any) plans for this area do the candidates have in their manifestos if they were to be elected?**
- If the planned maintenance program, in place before the budget cuts, had been maintained how much more cost effective would have been than allowing roads to deteriorate to state they are now and then repair piece meal?
- Could we have some islands put in between sections on the Maultway so that when I want to take a walk with my dog at 6 or 7 pm down the track next to the MOD land I don't get mowed down by drivers who seem to think the 50 sign is a minimum speed they should be going?
- When is Bellingham Close being resurfaced – again, but properly, to replace the stuff that got ripped up by a road sweeper and damaged my car bonnet! I know the road down in the Warren Rise area has already been replaced in spite of being done two weeks after Bellingham.
- Do they consider that the current system of reporting potholes, inspecting individual reported problems and only repairing those that have been reported and then inspected is efficient and not a potentially time consuming method that ultimately wastes tax payers money?

Wellingtonia Avenue

- Are candidates aware of the situation that is now building up about the "Wellingtonia Avenue" clearance? **What (if any) plans for this area do the candidates have in their manifestos if they were to be elected?**

Pathways

- If and when will you make a reasonable attempt to cut back and generally tidy up the overgrown trees, brambles and excessive weed undergrowth that is now such a terrible disgrace along the footpath's whole length of Glassonby Walk from Cumberland Road to The Maultway, that they have neglected for so many years, which originally was such a very pleasant public footpath, originally maintained to a very high standard by the SHBC, which indeed was such a very pleasant feature and such a very pleasant daily stroll for many, connecting with the beautiful Wellingtonia Avenue and Longlands Walk to the Heatherside shopping location and its many other facilities, for a great many local residents and rate payers.
- Do they have any plans to finally sort out the ongoing mess of responsibilities that is the ground maintenance on Heatherside, so that only one party is responsible, and all those areas currently deemed to be the responsibility of Bovis are transferred to a public authority?

Refuse/recycling

- Do they think that charging householders to use the tip, is having a detrimental impact on the environment? How much revenue have they raised in comparison to the costs of clearing illegally fly-tipped waste?

