



Tony Woodhead
Working for you!

LINDLEY FOCUS

Lib Dem
2346

Con
1669

Can't win here!

Lab

703

Number of votes per party in 2007, the last time Cllr Woodhead stood

Birchcliffe, Birkby, Lindley, Marsh, Mount, Oakes, Salendine Nook and Quarmby

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It's Lib Dem or Conservative here!

LINDLEY MOOR

We object to housing and industrial development on Lindley Moor

The three Lib Dem Members representing Lindley Ward have said they will oppose plans to build housing and an industrial complex at Lindley Moor.

Cllrs Tony Woodhead, Cahal Burke and Christine Stanfield have said that:

- The housing development would bring unacceptable levels of air and noise pollution
- The numbers of jobs promised by the proposed data campus are not high enough to justify development



FIGHTING TO SAVE LINDLEY MOOR
Cllr Christine Stanfield, Cllr Tony Woodhead and Cllr Cahal Burke

Elections here are a close fight between the Conservatives and Lib Dems. More and more Labour voters are backing the Lib Dems this time.

Voting Labour just helps the Conservatives

Local News IN BRIEF

Salendine Nook High School

Cllr Woodhead is pleased that at long last signs have now been put up on Salendine Nook High School playing fields to advise dog owners that it is not a dog exercise area. It is hoped dog owners will respect the signs and be responsible.

Reinwood Ponds

Cllr Woodhead, Cllr Stanfield and Cllr Burke are working with Officers to improve what is a beautiful area. Councillors are working with residents to see how the area can be improved further.

Action on Potholes

Lindley Ward councillors Woodhead, Stanfield and Burke are busy working with Kirklees officers and residents to deal with pothole problems in the area and road safety. The pothole filling is being prioritised throughout Kirklees. Residents can phone Street Care 08007318765 to report problems

Lindley Library: Saved!



Following intensive negotiations, led by your Liberal Democrat Councillors, the suggested budget cuts for libraries have been scrapped for at least the

next four years. This means all libraries will remain open for the foreseeable future. Kirklees had been planning to keep some Huddersfield

libraries - such as Birkby, Rawthorpe & Ashbrow, open. At the same time, they wanted to close or downgrade other libraries including

Lindley Library Cllr Tony Woodhead and fellow Lindley Councillors Burke and Stanfield are campaigning to keep library services in Lindley despite the pressures on council resources.

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Local Schools to become Academies?

Cllr Tony woodhead's children have all gone to schools in the Lindley Ward - Lindley Infants, Lindley Juniors and Salendine Nook High School.

It is understood that at least two and possibly three of the schools are set to apply for academy status.

Cllr Tony Woodhead has concerns about how this may impact on other schools in Kirklees.

The only extra money available for schools that opt to become academies will be taken from money the local authority holds centrally for support services. Each new academy will get its share of

this money and the central fund will be reduced accordingly. The Academy would then have to buy in the services currently supplied by the Local Authority.

The Academies Bill proposes that schools can become Academies simply by a vote of the governors - no consultation with parents,

teachers, support staff or the local community. Why should such a small group of people be allowed to decide the future of our schools?

Governors and councillors are elected. Their decisions can be, and have been, challenged at elections.

SAVE OUR CHEQUES

Lib Dems in Government campaign to save our cheques

Cllr Woodhead, Cllr Stanfield and Cllr Burke are campaigning to save our Cheque.

Cheques have been in use for over 300 years in the UK. Cheques were used to transfer £1.9 trillion in 2009 with 4 million being issued every day. Across the country 1/3 of people still use cheques regularly, and 75% use the cheque facility with their bank accounts.

Cheques give vulnerable people who are housebound the ability to manage their finances independently. Whether it is paying the paper bill, sending a present or paying a trader for work done, cheques are a necessity.

Many charities and community organisations receive an overwhelming proportion of their donations in the form of cheques. Most of these are small, local groups and charities who rely on volunteers and do not have the facilities to receive donations in other forms.

The decision to abolish the cheque has been taken without consulting businesses, charities or members of the public. This is outrageous. Time and time again the banks have failed to listen to their customers and this decision is just another example.



Lib Dems secure investment to give children the best start

Lindley Councillors have backed investment from Lib Dems in Government to give our children the best start in life.

"We believe that the early years are the most important in determining a child's future," said Cllr Woodhead.

"That's why Lib Dems in Government have increased free nursery education for 3 and 4 year olds."

"And we're extending it to 2 year olds from poorer families."

What's more, now disadvantaged pupils will get a "pupil premium" that follows them from school to school.

The funding - worth £2.5bn - could help headteachers to reduce class sizes, or to provide more one-to-one tuition.

"This funding could be worth millions to our region," said Cllr Woodhead.

"It just shows that in a time of financial austerity, Lib Dems believe that education is the most important thing we do."

Five key Lib Dem achievements in Government:

- Scrapped Labour's intrusive ID cards plan ✓
- £2.5bn "pupil premium" to benefit schools ✓
- Reclassified gardens to curb "garden grabbing" ✓
- More low earners to be taken out of income tax ✓
- No more Post Office closures ✓

Labour's legacy of debt and waste

Why every man, woman and child in Britain owe £24,400 because of Labour:

What it cost then...

- ID cards: **£5 billion**
- Iraq war: **£7 billion**
- Failed NHS IT system: **£12 billion**

"We were in a pit of debt and we just kept digging"

Labour's Lord Mandelson

...and what it's costing now.

- Projected national debt: **£1 trillion**
- Debt interest payments: **£80,000 per minute**

Tell us what you think

Want to tell us something? Something you'd like us to help with? Let us know here!

Name _____

Address _____

Telephone _____

Mobile _____

E-mail _____

- I will vote Liberal Democrat next time
- I can help deliver FOCUS in my area for 1-2 hours per month
- I would like to vote by post at the next local election

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- Yes
- No

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