

Wellington By-Election News from Mitch Manning

Rushmoor Council By-Election - Thursday 23rd September 2010



Local survey shows Aldershot needs a fresh start...

Neglect and crime

A number of you have told us that you feel unsafe after dark and that you feel intimidated by drunks and large groups.

The Tories' broken promises on Westgate have left a site which is an ideal haven for drug-dealing, crime and prostitution. When youths built a skatepark here, the Council demolished it.

The Westgate development is needed along with more leisure facilities to keep our youth occupied.



• A burnt out abandoned trolley and oil drum on the Westgate site where kids had built a skate park.



• Many were fed up seeing empty shops and low-grade outlets like pound shops.

Shops and facilities

Many of you complained about the high number of takeaways, pound shops and charity shops around the town. You would really like to see more quality fashion stores and a department store.

Low grade stores and empty shops plague Aldershot and make it almost impossible to shop here for quality goods. A comprehensive action plan is needed to save our town centre.

Anti-social behaviour and litter

A lot of people said that the streets in and around the town centre are dirty and covered in litter after every weekend and it is not cleared up quickly enough.

Litter and anti-social behaviour blights our town. The response by the Council and Police needs to be speeded up with more patrols.



• The remnants of Saturday night still littering the street on a Sunday was one gripe.

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Mitch Manning for Wellington ward - 23rd September 2010

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• Mitch and the Lib Dems have called on hundreds of local residents.

Dear Resident



Thank you for the really warm reception you've been giving us as we go round surveying.

I'm really sorry if we haven't got round to you, there are 4,000 properties to get to and we're not going to be able to speak to all of you. If you've got internet access, you can always fill in the survey online at www.aldershotlibdems.org.uk/surveys/2/

It's clear from the feedback we've been getting that you're **not satisfied** with the service you've been getting from your local Conservative Councillors.

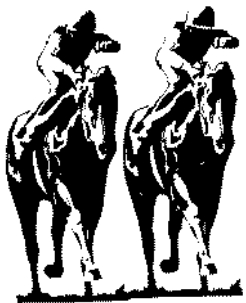
The Tories and Labour have questioned whether this election should be taking place. Well, with the number of problems we've uncovered going round talking to people, there is absolutely no doubt in my mind that this election is very badly needed. I will not be part of a cosy Tory-Labour consensus.

This area desperately **needs attention** and I want to stand up and give the town a voice. I want to get things done. Already, we are taking up a number of issues on behalf of local people such as faulty street-lights and parking problems.

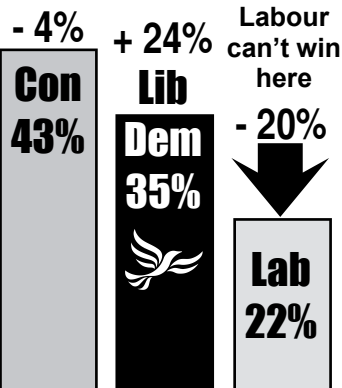
If elected, I promise to work for you **all year round**, not just at election time. If you support me on 23rd September, then we can get a lot more done.

Mitch

Make sure YOUR vote counts




It's a two horse race



% of votes cast in Wellington ward at 2010 Rushmoor Elections (with change on 2008)


Wellington ward by-election runners and riders

Lib Dem - Mitch Manning

- Lives in the ward and can pick up on local problems quickly. 
- Feels an affinity with local military families and will stand up for their interests.
- Mitch received a massive 24% increase in the Lib Dem vote in May.


• **VERDICT:** Make sure you vote for Mitch and get a real change.

Conservative candidate

- Lives outside the ward. 
- Stood for **Heron Wood** in May and came **3rd** behind the Lib Dems and Labour.
- A vote for the Conservative will mean 'business as usual' for Rushmoor Tories and bring no change.

• **VERDICT:** What difference will another Tory Councillor make?

Labour and others

- Labour came **3rd** in **this** ward in May. 
- Other candidates did not stand here in May and can't win.
- A vote for Labour or any minor candidate will be a wasted vote and make no difference.

• **VERDICT:** Don't waste your vote - it'll make no difference.