

# Stop Aldershot fading into oblivion NOW



Union street before it became a pedestrianised ghost street.

Old vibrant  
Aldershot  
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Victoria Rd with people  
( & bobbies on the beat!)



The Westgate centre, another empty white elephant?

As a local businessman, John Campagnoli has seen the slow death of Aldershot town centre whilst he heard the empty promises and woolly words of the councillors you had elected. Now John has decided that he needs your help to get rid of those councillors that made promises that were never kept.

John needs your vote on May 3rd to get elected so he can make sure your voice is heard amongst the drivel & spin doctor sound bites. We need to stop the decline in the town by making the shops more interesting, this will attract customers who in turn will bring wealth back to the town. The shop owners can only survive if there are customers and greedy landlords and councils don't charge exorbitant rent and rates We need to provide attractive, enjoyable facilities including safe carparks.

For too long Rushmoor Council has used Aldershot as a cash cow, increasing rates, increasing parking charges & removing free parking. They have strangled the town with poor road systems and a multitude of signs whilst allowing poor planning permissions and breaches to ruin a once thriving town. At the same time as having "initiatives" that failed to produce anything long lasting. The town is often quieter than a Spanish village during siesta!

**Stop the wordy meetings, produce an action plan, finance it out of reserves, then make it work!**

**Stop the decline Now!! Let Business thrive!**

## John Campagnoli's 5 point plan

- 1 Get rid of the street parking charges, make the bays free for an hour with an hour maximum.
- 2 Encourage niche shops, make it an attractive place for different sorts of shops to thrive by offering rate rebate incentives
- 3 Make our carparks bright and welcoming, easily signposted from the main roads with toilet facilities open during shopping hours, properly patrolled to prevent crime.
- 4 Get rid of the Union Street Canyon, that echoing mausoleum of anonymous multiple stores fronts. Look at this street & you could be in a 100 towns in England except some have more shoppers.
- 5 Manned CCTV coverage linked into Police response to make the town safe 24/7

**Aldershot people are good enough to support a town centre that shoppers want to come to use from far & wide  
We need councillors with knowledge to make it happen rather than wanting to score political points.  
People like John Campagnoli, Remember that on May 3rd, more failure or a new start! Your choice!**

## **Violent behaviour in town at night to be reduced by more use of our CCTV system**

John Campagnoli wants to see better use of an asset currently underused but was an expensive amateur trial just a few years ago. The CCTV system was launched with a huge publicity spree but over the years lack of continued investment in its maintenance and the training, recruitment and retention of operators has meant that this valuable asset does not have the impact on crime and disorder in the town that it could have. The understaffed Police surely would welcome accurate information to nip trouble in the bud rather than having to deal with a mound of paperwork processing the details of victims after the event. Attractive, safe towns with good facilities become favourites for shoppers!

## **Minor Injuries Unit, we want it NOW!!**

**No more excuses or political posing. Give us what was promised 14 yrs ago.**



John Campagnoli is pleased to see that a former Labour Councillor has approached the minister & our honourable Conservative member of parliament has been roused to start another petition. **LATE AGAIN!!** There have been many, with Phillip Thompson at the forefront, that have campaigned for the Minor Injuries Unit since the announcement that the Cambridge was to close. We are now getting a Health Centre with a big empty space where our Minor Injuries Unit is supposed to be. **WHY?**

**The Tories are 15yrs too late putting right what they imposed - the closure of our 3 hospitals!**

**Another Broken Promises by both Tory & Labour has meant that a replacement hasn't happened YET!**

**How many years do we have to wait, how many people have to sign petitions before we get what we pay our National Health Contributions for - decent medical care easily available for all!**

Did anyone else notice the irony in the Conservatives organising a petition when their colleagues in Winchester **IGNORED** a 4500 signature petition to save the Christmas Lodge site! With £103M in the bank, can't Hants County Council spare a few £'s on essential services like the Minor Injuries Unit or Elderly care or aren't we worth it?

We keep being told of the vast amounts of money injected into the NHS but why can't we see it? There are going to be more houses built, the local population is going to increase but part of our health provision is missing. **WHY?**

**Whichever petition comes your way SIGN IT, ask friends & relatives to SIGN IT.** At least it may be noticed by the national media. It seems that embarrassment in the press is the only way to get this Government to do anything.

**Keep the pressure on to get the promise met! 40000 signatures needed**

**<http://petitions.pm.gov.uk/Aldershot-Health>**

I would like to get more people like John Campagnoli elected for Councillor in Wellington Ward  
I am prepared to

Deliver leaflets locally     Put up a poster at election time     Join the winning team

Name.....Address.....  
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Is there something that you feel is important, affecting you or your neighbours lives that you would like to bring to our attention, contact the team either John Campagnoli or Phil Thompson on **01252 322110** or at **john.campagnoli @ntlworld.com** or **Suite 3, Greyholme 49 Victoria Rd Aldershot GU11 1SJ,**