



Lib Dem
1520

Lab
1374

The result last time
Can't win here

BNP
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Report Back on Lib Dem Campaigns



◆ Cllr John Watmough and Lib Dem campaigner Jerry Miller sorting the hundreds of Post Office surveys which you returned from the last Focus

JERRY MILLER, from the Liberal Democrat team, has been inundated with replies to the Post Office survey in the last issue of FOCUS.

More than 82% of those who replied said they use their local post office at least once a week. Two thirds of these people use it to collect their state pensions. They and many others, also buy stamps, post parcels, tax their cars or pay bills.

We have analysed your returns and sent this information to the Government Minister in charge.

"It is an excellent post office in every way and I would miss it very much if it wasn't there."
Wrose resident

"My nearest PO closed. I now have to pay taxi fares both ways."
Bolton Woods resident

Labour has already closed over 4,000 post offices in the last ten years, including Bolton Woods and Crag Road. Now they are set on closing another 2,500. And don't forget that the Tories closed 3,500 before that.

Jerry said,

"Closing Post Offices means that older people will have to go further to get their pensions. Others will make more car journeys, have a longer walk or take an extra bus ride. It could also have a knock on effect on other businesses. For example, if Wrose closes will people then do less shopping at the nearby Co-op?"

The Liberal Democrats are campaigning to stop any more closures in Windhill & Wrose. "

Thackley Old Road update



As a result of a request by John, this road sign is to be moved to the end of Jubilee Way where HGVs can turn round and avoid Thackley Old Road

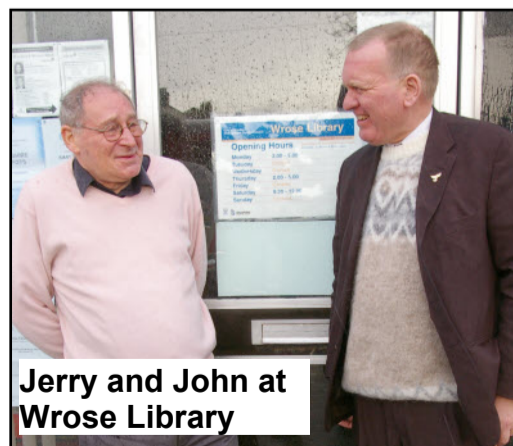
Thackley Old Road is due to be resurfaced shortly after years of patching the potholes.

The Council is also consulting on traffic calming measures for the section of road from Busy Lane to Windhill Old Road.

John has also sent a copy of the plans to 200 residents in the area and held a special surgery to consult residents himself.

Any further comments are welcome. He has a copy of the proposals you can see if you give him a ring.

Wrose Library Update



Jerry and John at Wrose Library

The lease from the Co-op for Wrose Library building has been extended once again to the end of March.

John said, "The library is a key part of the Wrose community Jerry and I are committed to keeping the library building open and developing

the area as a community hub for Wrose. With the closure of the old community centre Wrose is in danger of losing its focus and we will be campaigning to make sure that does not happen."

Liberal Democrats working for you all-the-year round



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Freecycle is a free website which enables you to either receive or dispose of virtually any items like washers, cookers, fridges, freezers, furniture, computers and printers. And it's absolutely FREE!!.

Just register on:

freecyclebradford@yahoo.co.uk

and post your request or offer.

When someone has or wants the item, agree a collection time

If you don't have internet access, Jerry will act for you. Contact him on 01274 403211 or 07806 312038 and he'll organize it for you.

If you have internet access and want further information, email Jerry at

jaybeeembd2@yahoo.co.uk

Lib Dems elect new leader

The Liberal Democrats have elected Nick Clegg an MP from Sheffield as their new leader.

Cllr John Watmough, pictured below with Nick said,

“ Nick is an excellent choice as Leader especially as he is an MP for a Yorkshire seat! This picture was taken when Nick was campaigning to cut crime and I gave him a copy of a Windhill & Wrose Focus with the crime survey in it. “



....and the Windhill Furniture Store

If you want to stay really local, the Windhill Furniture Store can help you. Contact them on 588831.

Both are a great way of reducing your carbon footprint and keeping useful stuff out of rubbish dumps.



Following many complaints, the Council served an enforcement notice on the quarry operator in September .

This took effect in November and required the unauthorised formation of the mound to stop, the slope to be reduced, a drainage channel to be provided and the mound to be seeded with grass.

The quarry operator has appealed against the enforcement notice. There is now likely to be a Public Enquiry in about 6 months time.

In the meantime, the quarry operator can ignore the enforcement notice -at his own risk -until the appeal is determined.

Jerry and John will keep you up to date with progress. If you see any activity which you want to report, please let us know.

Jerry and John's Health Survey

Ten years of Labour mismanagement have left our health service suffering cut backs. Liberal Democrats are standing alongside residents in the battle to protect vital services.

This survey is your chance to have your say on the state of the NHS.

All your replies will be CONFIDENTIAL.

- 1 Do you think local health services have got better or worse in recent years?
- Much better
- A bit better
- About the same
- Slightly worse
- Much worse
- 2 Which of the following do you think applies to today's NHS? (tick all that apply)
- It is well funded
- Spends money well
- Gets me the treatment I need quickly
- Is badly managed
- Wastes money
- Is slow to deliver treatment



- 3 How do you rate the service you receive from your GP?
- Good
- Average
- Poor
- 4 Are you registered with an NHS dentist?
- Yes
- No
- 5 Have you or any of your family had problems getting treatment from an NHS dentist?
- Yes
- No

- 6 Nine NHS Trusts have admitted losing personal data about their patients and the Government has lost the bank account details of 25 million child benefit recipients in the post.

Now the Government wants your doctor to put your highly personal details on one huge NHS database without asking you. Do you agree with this?

- Yes
- No

- 7 Generally, how satisfied are you with the way in which the Government is handling the NHS?

- Very satisfied
- Fairly satisfied
- Not very satisfied
- Not at all satisfied

Name

Address

.....Phone.....

E mail.....

Please return your survey in an envelope to:

**Jerry Miller Freepost
NEA 4863
Bradford BD3 7BR**

If you return this slip, the Liberal Democrats and their elected representatives may use the information you have provided to contact you from time to time about issues we think you may find of interest. Some of the contacts may be automated. You can opt out of some or all contacts at any time by contacting us.