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Lib Dems
only 49
votes
behind
Labour

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The result on May 4th

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THANK YOU!



John Watmough and the local Lib Dems oppose the plans to merge police forces

Lib Dems close on Labour as Conservative vote slumps

Thank you for the 1166 votes you cast for John Watmough on May 4th.

This is the Liberal Democrat's best ever vote in Windhill and Wrose and came within 49 votes of beating Labour.

The Conservative vote slumped by almost 8% putting them well out of the race.

John Watmough said,

' I want to personally thank everyone who supported me on May 4th. This result shows that many people in Windhill and Wrose have lost faith in Labour nationally and locally. Labour have taken this area for granted for far too long.'

Action against Police mergers

Opposition is growing to Home Secretary's plans to merge all the Yorkshire and Humberside police forces into one 'super-force'.

Mergers will cost up to £600 million.

The Association of Police Authorities says that Labour's plans will cost between £500 and £600 million in set up costs alone.

25,000 fewer police?

That would cover the cost of 25,000 Police Officers. Which would you rather have?

Massive Council Tax hikes?

To fund the cost of the mergers, police forces will either have to cut staff or put up the the Council Tax.

There is still time to make your views known by adding your name to the the petition being gathered across the district.

Petition to Home Secretary

As residents of Windhill & Wrose, we petition the Home Secretary to abandon plans to merge our local police force with North and South Yorkshire and Humberside.

Name(s).....

Address.....

Tel:E mail.....

Return to John Watmough Windhill and Wrose
Liberal Democrats FREEPOST NEA 4863
Bradford BD3 7BR. No stamp needed!

Lib Dems working for Windhill & Wrose

Labour rejects all-party Executive

Following the election on May 4th, the Council remains balanced with no party having the 46 seats needed to take control.

The Liberal Democrats proposed that the powerful Executive should also be balanced with members from each of the three main parties. Labour rejected this saying 'it is national Labour Party policy that mixed executives don't work.' In fact, the Executive in Bradford was all-party from 2000 to 2004 until Labour withdrew.

Lib Dems - 'decisions should be made locally'

The Liberal Democrats successfully pressed for changes to move power from the Executive to the Area Committees.

Councillor Jeanette Sunderland Leader of the Liberal Democrats said,

"Moving power from the Executive to the Area Committees means that local councillors will be more involved in decisions which effect local people. It makes democracy more real to the people who will be affected by those decisions."

No NHS dentist for over 5 miles!



Local Lib Dem John Watmough getting his teeth into the NHS dentists campaign

Many of our readers signed the petition demanding that the Labour Government fulfil its promises to provide NHS dental treatment for everyone who wanted it.

We sent it off in April and received a reply which completely failed to say how they were going to keep their promise. The letter ends by saying: "anyone wishing to find an NHS dentist should normally be able to do so by ringing NHS Direct

on 0845 46 47".

So we phoned them and asked.

NHS Direct could not provide us with a single dentist within a five mile radius of Windhill & Wrose taking NHS patients.

We shall be replying to letter to tell the Secretary of State how we got on!

AND NOW... THE GOOD NEWS...

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YOU CAN SEE!

Telewest Boxes

All the Telewest boxes except one which John reported because they had graffiti on them, have been repainted.

But if you know about any more, please let us know and we'll report those as well.



Write to us

Got a problem or a grouse? Use the space below to tell us about it.

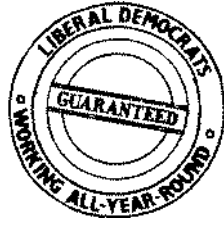
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