

# Petition Slip:

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- 1. One day ago?
- 2. One week ago?
- 3. One month ago?
- 4. Three months ago?
- 5. More than three months ago?
- 6. Never?

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Postcode \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE BRING THIS REPLY SLIP TO THE POLLING STATION AND GIVE IT TO THE LIBERAL DEMOCRAT TELLER ON YOUR WAY IN TO VOTE. THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP.**

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## OUR ENVIRONMENT

We will continue to work with Annette Brooke MP to improve our local environment.

We will:

- Fight to protect our Green Belt and open spaces
- Put greater emphasis on cleaner streets.
- Work with local residents to protect our area from over-development and poor planning
- Work hard to improve all aspects of recycling.

**We are committed to tackling climate change by doing our bit locally.**

We want Poole to lead in the drive for greater energy efficiencies and the use of renewable energy.

We believe all new developments should have the highest possible environmental specifications.

## YOUR MONEY - THE REAL STORY



Councillor Mike Brooke talking to a Broadstone pensioner about day care charges

### FACT FILE

Day care charges are to increase: 50% on transport; 23% on meals; 133% on use of washing machines.

Broadstone in Bloom grant wiped out.

Bus subsidies were cut by £75,000

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**VOTE LIBERAL DEMOCRAT AND RESTORE PRIDE IN POOLE**



# FOCUS

**ELECTION SPECIAL 3**

*On Merley, Canford Magna and Ashington*

Edited by David Brown, Daphne Long and Peter Maiden

## Action and Communication Campaigns from our Focus leaflets

**Post Offices - Lib Dems Campaign goes to Parliament**  
(Jan 2007)

**Progress with school travel plans** (Spring 2003)

**Protecting our Green belt** (Dec 2006)

**Bearwood landfill site investigation**  
(April 2004)



With Annette Brooke MP, David Brown, Daphne Long and Peter Maiden are a team you can rely on to keep in touch and take action on your behalf.

**Green bins a success in Merley**  
(November 2006)

**Policing Matters**  
(April 2004)

**Council Tax - local residents demand value for money**  
(September 2006)

**Where have all the buses gone?**  
(May 2006)

**Oakley Hill - Danger to Road Users**  
(Dec 2005)

## Action, commitment and experience make the right choice for Merley and Bearwood

Your Candidates, David Brown, Daphne Long and Peter Maiden will:

- Continue to fight for improvements in local bus services
- Give local people a great say in local decision making. We will hold the first regular advice surgeries in Merley and Bearwood
- Fight to protect our Green Belt from over-development. We will also continue to lobby Poole Council to look after our local environment and clear up our streets.
- Work closely with the police and partnership groups to combat crime.

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## Labour out of the race

Labour did not stand locally so it is a straight fight between local Liberal Democrats and the Conservatives here. Many Labour supporters we have spoken to are switching their vote this time and supporting David Brown, Daphne Long and Peter Maiden because of their hard work locally. A vote for any other candidate will only help the Conservatives.

### The result last time

(total votes cast)



## Change of Polling station

Poole Council Electoral Services have announced a move of one polling station for this year's May 3rd Election.

The polling station at the Willet Arms car park has now been moved due to construction work to the car park at Merley Community Centre in Harrier Drive.

The other Merley and Bearwood polling stations at the Lantern Lounge, Canford Magna Centre and St Barnabas Church are unaffected.

If you need a lift to the new polling station to support Daphne, Peter and David, we are happy to give you a lift. Please ring Councillor Jane James on our election hotline on 571171



Remember, polling stations are open between 7am - 10pm, you do not need your polling card to vote.

## Conservatives cut funding for local youth groups

Local Liberal Democrat candidates David Brown, Daphne Long and Peter Maiden were very disappointed to hear the Conservative run Poole Council Grants Panel have cut the annual grants to Merley Youth Club and Bearwood Church Youth Project.

**If Elected Daphne, Peter and Maiden will work to reverse these cuts, we need adequate funding for our youth and voluntary groups such as shopmobility - also hit by Tory cuts.**



David and Daphne both have a history of involvement in youth work

## Green Belt under pressure

Merley residents have produced a massive response to a recent planning application at Oakley Hill.

It is clear that local residents want the green belt protected against the increasing threats.

Lib Dems have a long and consistent record of protecting our Green Belt. David Brown, Daphne Long and Peter Maiden will campaign vigorously to protect our Green Belt



David Brown, Peter Maiden and Daphne Long (seen above studying plans for the recent Oakley Hill planning application)

## Bus cuts - A promise of action

David, Daphne and Peter have been in contact with a number of residents along Sopwith Crescent, who share our concern that the lack of bus services to the Sopwith Crescent are has **still** not been resolved.

Peter Maiden has received feed-back since our street letter in the area and there is general support for a bus to cover the Sopwith Crescent area. Annette Brooke MP has been lobbying Wilts and Dorset Bus company and Poole Council for a So far, Wilts and Dorset have not been very co-operative.

With Annette Brooke MP and after receiving your feedback and suggestions we have outlined a proposed route change which would take in the Sopwith Crescent route, but without losing service to other areas of Merley.

If you would like to full details of our solution, please write to Peter Maiden at 136 Rempstone Road, Merley, BH21 1SX



Peter, Annette and Daphne surveying Sopwith Crescent residents earlier in the year

## Your Candidates

**David Brown**, has lived in Bearwood for 14 years. David has worked in the local insurance industry for 15 years. He and his partner Ann are approved foster carer for Poole Social Services and have fostered 15 teenagers since 1998. David has been involved in local community projects for many years and works voluntarily as the Secretary of Bearwood Community Centre.



**Daphne Long** has lived in Poole for 13 years. She served as a Councillor for 12 years before moving to Poole. Daphne is currently involved in voluntary community projects with Faithworks Focus as a befriender to people who are caring for, or have recently lost loved ones. She also works with Dorset Police in a pilot scheme of Safer Neighbourhood Policing.



**Peter Maiden** has lived in Merley for 27 years. He is married to Susan and has one son and one daughter who attended local schools. Peter served for 22 years in the Royal Signals and worked for Marconi. Peter currently works part time in Merley Post Office. He is involved in voluntary work for the Royal British Legion and at the Signals Museum



Remember you have **three** votes



on Thursday 3rd May

Please Support

1	<b>BROWN David</b>		<b>X</b>
3	<b>LONG Daphne</b>		<b>X</b>
4	<b>MAIDEN Peter</b>		<b>X</b>

***Voting for all 3 will ensure there is an active, visible and local team for our area***

**SEE INSIDE - The best choice for Merley**