

Winter 2017/18

GARY IS STANDING UP FOR BYFLEETS

Gary Elson was Councillor for West Byfleet between 2008 and 2016 and has been selected as your Conservative Candidate for this May's local elections.

■ Gary and his wife Suzi lived in Byfleet for more than 25 years before flooding forced them out of their home and they now live in Pyrford.

Since then he has retained strong links with Byfleet and West Byfleet residents, traders and businesses and still does work for a Byfleet company so is well-versed on local issues.

Gary is a former Governor of West Byfleet Infants School and is an active supporter of the West Byfleet and Pyrford Neighbourhood Forums.

During his term as Councillor

for West Byfleet, Gary was appointed to the Executive Committee at Woking Borough Council and was Portfolio Holder for Promoting the Local Economy, Community Grants and Councillor Training and Development plus others.

Gary said: "It is an honour to have been selected to represent our Conservative Byfleet and West Byfleet team, if elected I promise to work hard and represent your views as residents at the heart of the Council administration.

"Together we can get the results we deserve."



Gary Elson is working hard for Byfleet and West Byfleet

News from Byfleet and West Byfleet

GARY CAUTIOUS ON SHEER HOUSE

■ **Gary Elson** welcomes the redevelopment of the Sheer House site in West Byfleet.

This will provide new retail units, a new library, flats and apartments and parking for local residents and visitors.

Gary will liaise with the developers during the construction phase commencing late 2018 to ensure minimal disruption to shoppers at the remaining retail businesses.

He will actively be supporting the West Byfleet Business Association and encouraging new businesses in current vacant retail units.



Gary with County Councillor Richard Wilson at Sheer House

GARY BACKS THE BYFLEET FORUM

■ **Gary Elson** will continue to support the retail businesses in Byfleet High Road, the Library and local community groups continuing his work from before the 2016 local election.

Parking is an issue in Byfleet and Gary will explore with Woking Borough Council additional shopper parking facilities and rigorous enforcement of parking restrictions.

He intends to be an active supporter of the Byfleet Neighbourhood Forum in working towards a final local neighbourhood plan.

"Our businesses in Byfleet are vital for the village," said Gary, "and we must do what we can to help them out."

GARY BACKS WEST BYFLEET BUSINESSES

■ As a Councillor for eight years, **Gary Elson** had a reputation for helping promote business in West Byfleet for the benefit of all residents.

Pauline Hodges MBE, who has been involved in the village for many years and runs West Byfleet Live, agrees.

She said: "Gary Elson is the perfect example of a selfless local Councillor who supported me for many years when I was

Chairman of the West Byfleet Business Association. He attended our early morning meetings taking our concerns and representing our views to Council Officers. He negotiated special parking rates and concessions for local business and their staff in the Borough's local Car Park.

"He was always available to help, support and encourage both residents and businesses; he is sorely missed."



Pauline Hodges MBE backs Gary

GARY CLEAR ON GREEN BELT IN MURRAY'S LANE

■ **Gary Elson** supports residents against any proposed long term housing in the Green Belt in Byfleet and at the West Hall site in West Byfleet.

The current infrastructure in Byfleet is unable to cope with increased housing in the village: the highways, drainage and utilities are already at capacity.

Gary will fully support proposals to alleviate flooding from the River Wey, he has ensured that highways flash flooding in Brewery Lane/Church Road is now on Surrey County Council's wetspots list.

He said: "Residents are quite clear on this issue and sent me a strong message. I have listened and will be right behind their attempts to protect these sites."



Gary and Richard Wilson at Murrays Lane

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GARY ASKS RESIDENTS ABOUT CO-OP

■ Conservative campaigner **Gary Elson** has been hearing good things about the service the Co-op is providing to residents in Byfleet at both of its stores.

"It is quite unusual for a village to have two Co-ops," said Gary. "But I have heard that residents value the service provided. Do let me know if you have any thoughts on this using my contact details below."

FOLLOW GARY ELSON ON TWITTER

■ Any residents who use Twitter and would like to follow **Gary Elson** can do so by searching for the username below:

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