

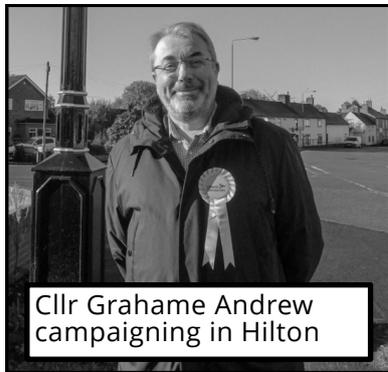
From Your Local Lib Dem Team

Summer 2021

# AMAZING!

## May 6<sup>th</sup> Brought Best Election Results in Thirty Years

On 6<sup>th</sup> May 21, the country held local elections with Hilton having two District Council seats up for grabs.



Cllr Grahame Andrew campaigning in Hilton

Our Hilton candidate Grahame Andrew, came in second place just behind the Tories, and ahead of both the Labour and Reform UK Candidates.

The number of votes gained represents the most Liberal Democrat votes in any South Derbyshire District Council election in 30 years and shows that the local Liberal Democrats are the best placed to take on the Tories in future elections.

Our next goal is to close the gap with the Tories before the next Council Elections in May 2023, so we'll be campaigning hard (especially in Hilton) to ensure we have Liberal Democrats on the Council who can bring about a positive change for the residents of South Derbyshire and

stability within the council.

The recent June By-Election in Chesham and Amersham shows how a good local team can overturn a massive Conservative majority to win.

"We struck at the heart of the Conservatives' blue wall and took one of their safest seats." said Sarah Green

"Our huge triumph in Chesham and Amersham has shown that the Liberal Democrats are a serious and credible opposition to this Conservative party."

Following on from Sarah Green's win, over the course of the next 21 months we will engage further with Hilton voters locally.

The Tories take this area for granted and expect to be elected no matter what they do or say. We will seek to show how we can be different and engage on the issues that matter to people in the area.

*If you are able to help in anyway such as delivering information or helping organise events we'd very much like to hear from you - contact [Secretary@SouthDerbyshireLibDems.Org](mailto:Secretary@SouthDerbyshireLibDems.Org)*

## EAST MIDLANDS INTERMODAL PARK

**A massive development of the new "Freeport" on our doorstep**

In May 2021, the Government announced a post-Brexit plan to create eight new freeports in England, including tax breaks for employers.

Freeports are usually located close to shipping ports or airports. Any goods that come into these freeports from abroad are exempt from tariffs until they are shipped onwards.

One of the eight locations included East Midlands Airport - Part of which has been already built and the second phase will be located in South Derbyshire.

The new development, to be sited adjacent to the A50 Willington junction and will include a new Road/Rail interchange and extensive warehousing.

The development is set to bring the potential for 100's of new jobs to the local Etwall, Hilton, Eggington and Willington areas and beyond.

The East Midlands Intermodal Park, or EMIP as it will be know, is to be located on land owned by Severn Trent adjacent to the Willington/Toyota island between the A50 and A38.

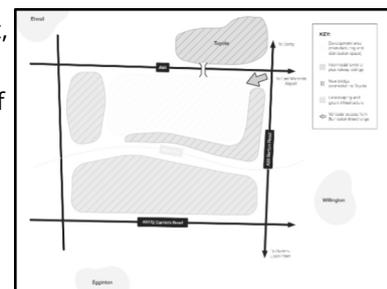
Cllr. Grahame Andrew, who is the Parish Councils representative on the liaison group alongside other representatives from the Local District and County Council, said:

"The EMIP will bring much needed investment in the area and offer real benefits for local people, not just with jobs, but with improvements in local Infrastructure"

Grahame will be putting the case for; improvements to local roads with safer footpaths, a new local railway station and much needed drainage works to deal with the increasing flood risks in the area.

Grahame also said: "Although there are huge potential benefits, we need to ensure that they are delivered well to suit local residents and do as little harm as possible to the environment, wildlife and surrounding area. This will require continuous engagement with the people of Hilton and with the developers to steer a careful path."

Further details on EMIP can be found on the developer's web site <https://uk.goodman.com/east-midlands-intermodal-park>



Basic overview of the current plans

# EFFICIENTLY LIGHTING THE WAY



**Cllr Grahame Andrew is leading a project through the Parish Council to replace the current floodlights at the Hilton Five-a-side and Basketball pitch with energy efficient LED replacements.**

Grahame is enthusiastic about the project as it aligns with his personal desire to implement energy reducing measures which helps address the climate crisis. In turn this will reduce the Parish Council's operating costs, freeing more money for future projects.

The work is planned to take place before the end of the summer and start of the dark evenings

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## Helping Hands

**Would you like to help, but would like to be more behind the scenes?**

If you'd like to see an end to either the rule of the "entitled" Tories or the disorganised local Labour party, but don't fancy being out front, then we've got opportunities for you!

Simply delivering our leaflets is a great help, alternatively if you'd like your views aired in our local party Executive why not join us - the Lib Dems have always been a party of inclusion.

If you have skills with running a membership group all the better, we have a vacancy for a Membership Officer.

Likewise, if you'd like to represent traditionally under-represented groups then we'd like to appoint an Equalities Officer.

If you'd like to join our group then please contact **[chair@SouthDerbyshireLibDems.org.uk](mailto:chair@SouthDerbyshireLibDems.org.uk)**

# We want to hear from you...

Please use the space below to let us know your views, or give details of any issues you would like to raise with us:-

- I will put up a poster at election time
- I will help deliver leaflets in my area
- I will donate to the Lib Dems
- I want to join the Liberal Democrats
- Add me to the Lib Dem mailing list

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