



## PLANNING - GETTING IT RIGHT FOR FRANKLANDS WARD

Many local residents have had increasing concerns about planning applications and redevelopment for housing over the years. The increasing tendency of developers to submit applications to build housing wherever and whenever a potential plot of land becomes available, has highlighted the importance to everyone of having effective, pro-active people working as local councillors to vet all such planning applications.

Conservatives pride themselves that our local councillor team, which works as a 'joined up' team and the voice of Franklands ward residents, closely vets all such applications to ensure that local people's concerns are given due consideration during the planning application process, and where appropriate and allowed by planning law, either refusal of planning permission or set conditions are applied.

Conservative Councillors are putting in place District & Neighbourhood Plans with robust evidence to protect our community from inappropriate development.

We believe Burgess Hill needs a pro-active team to oversee future applications to defend our town's character and heritage. That approach will continue into the future!



## Let's stay on the road to a stronger economy

Britain has started growing again. But there's more to do:

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| <p>✓ <b>A GROWING ECONOMY</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Eliminate the deficit</li><li>■ Bring down our debt</li><li>■ Competitive business taxes to create more jobs</li></ul>                | <p>✓ <b>GOOD SCHOOLS</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ All pupils studying the core subjects at GCSE</li><li>■ Creating more excellent school places</li><li>■ Raising the status of the teaching profession</li></ul>            |
| <p>✓ <b>MORE JOBS</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Keep job taxes down</li><li>■ All young people working or in training - earning or learning</li><li>■ 3 million new apprenticeships</li></ul> | <p>✓ <b>WELFARE THAT WORKS</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Reduce the benefit cap to £23,000 a year</li><li>■ Benefits frozen for 2 years</li><li>■ The toughest system on welfare for EU migrants anywhere in Europe</li></ul> |
| <p>✓ <b>LOWER TAXES</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Raise personal allowance to £12,500</li><li>■ 40p rate only when you earn over £50,000</li><li>■ Delivering tax-free childcare</li></ul>    | <p>✓ <b>SECURITY IN RETIREMENT</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Pass on your pension tax-free</li><li>■ Protecting the triple lock</li><li>■ Integrating health and social care to improve care in retirement</li></ul>          |

**Strong Leadership.  
A Clear Economic Plan.  
A Better, More Secure Future.**

### JUNCTION INN - KEEPING OUR PROMISES!

Burgess Hill's Conservatives are keeping our promises to you. The old Junction Inn site, long derelict after the demolition of that burnt out building has been brought back into use for affordable housing and local shops, together with additional off-road parking provision.

Many people complained about the eye-sore which was the burnt out hulk of the old building, and local district councillor Ginny Heard, who was instrumental in ensuring the right type of redevelopment was approved, says:

"I am glad that local residents have at last been given the right result in this development, which improves the outlook for their homes and makes the locality a positive one once again for families".

Many view this as the right type of location for affordable housing, allowing access to bus routes, local shopping, schools and train stations, rather than the 'out of town' semi-rural locations which have been used to locate such allocations of housing in the past. Conservatives are keen to promote the redevelopment of brownfield sites to provide new homes as a priority to backland 'garden grabbing', for example.

Conservatives reported in their In Touch publication in 2013 that this site needed enforcement action, which was carried out, and that we would act to ensure this site came back into use for the benefit of local people. This is just one example of Conservatives keeping their promises!

*Your Conservative team for  
Franklands Ward*

**Ginny Heard  
Chris King  
Claire Fussell  
John Merrill  
Julian Thorpe  
Sir Nicholas Soames**

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## TELL US WHAT YOU THINK

Let us know if you have any issues of concern:

Please give us your contact details so we can keep in touch with you about the issues you have raised:

Name

Address

Home/Mobile No

Email

### HOW CAN YOU HELP US?

- Display a poster at election time
- Deliver a few leaflets in your road
- Join the local Conservative Party
- Attend social events
- Register to vote by post
- Stand as a candidate in local elections
- Donate to the Conservatives

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## Your Conservative candidates for Franklands Ward...

### Ginny Heard

Ginny has served as a District Councillor for Franklands since 2011. She has established a reputation for speaking up for residents, especially over inappropriate housing development along Folders Lane and Keymer Road and getting action on the Junction Inn pub site. Ginny works for Sir Nicholas Soames, supporting his constituency work, and ensures he is aware of local residents' concerns. Ginny is a former school governor and volunteers as a support group member for the much valued St Peter & St James' Hospice.



### Chris King

Chris is a retired Headteacher who lives in the ward with his wife and dog. They have three grown up children and six grandchildren. Chris is a keen member of Hassocks Golf Club. Chris has served as a magistrate, a school governor and a football coach. Chris cares deeply about the local area here and so is standing for election to speak up on behalf of local residents at the District Council. He says "I believe the biggest challenge facing local councils is to maintain high standards in our community during a time of severe budgetary restraint, whilst managing challenging issues of pressure on school places, housing and care home provision".



### Claire Fussell

Claire and her husband Paul have three children and have lived in Burgess Hill since 1974, the last 14 years in the locality. Claire is a school governor at a local primary school and works in the town at a popular retailer, having previously commuted to London. Claire supports the deaf at a local self-advocacy group and at WSCC Partnership Board meetings. She also helps out at the local brownie group. Claire has served as a Town Councillor since 2011 and has helped many local residents with issues affecting their daily lives.



### John Merrill

John moved to Burgess Hill when he married his wife, Geraldine, who runs a well known business in the town designing dance wear for adults and children. They have lived in Burgess Hill for 36 years. John is seeking election to the Town Council as he has strong concerns about the future of the town, especially the rural periphery, and the way in which the town will develop. The challenge of ever greater housing development must, he feels, be met with an equal provision of facilities. The importance of getting right the town centre redevelopment cannot be overstated if our community is to have a high quality of life well into the 21st century.



### Julian Thorpe

Having moved to Burgess Hill with his wife and daughters many years ago Julian has made his home here in our town. He believes in community service and the importance of good, effective and value-for-money public services. Julian is seeking re-election to Burgess Hill Town Council to make sure that, if Burgess Hill has to take even greater numbers of additional housing, pressure is maintained on the developers to pay their fair share towards the renewal of our town centre and the provision of much needed infrastructure. Julian has also served as a school governor.



## LET BRITAIN DECIDE

Most people are agreed that it's time for the British people to have their say on whether we leave or stay in the EU. However, some parties don't trust the British people to make the decision.

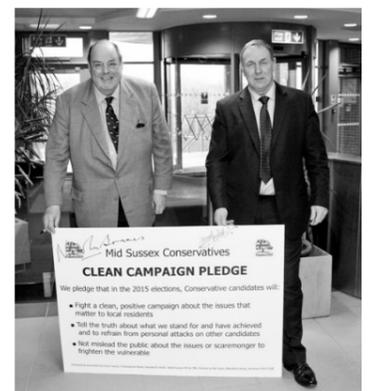


Only a Conservative government - not a coalition one - can deliver an EU referendum. With a majority in Parliament, David Cameron will negotiate a better deal for Britain and then let the public decide in an in-out referendum no later than 2017.

Labour and the Liberal Democrats combined forces in Parliament to defeat the Conservative referendum legislation and UKIP simply can't deliver a referendum.

## CLEAN CAMPAIGN PLEDGE

At election time, many residents receive misleading leaflets from other parties. Conservatives always fight a 'clean' campaign.



Sir Nicholas Soames and Council Leader Garry Wall have pledged that Conservative candidates will:

1. Fight a clean positive campaign about the issues that matter to local residents
2. Tell the truth about what we stand for and have achieved and to refrain from personal attacks on other candidates
3. Not mislead the public about the issues or scaremonger to frighten the vulnerable