

HELP US TO CREATE A BETTER EAST GRINSTEAD

Have you been interested to read our In Touch newsletter? You can get in touch with your Town Ward Conservative team by emailing info@msca.org.uk or phoning 01444 452590 or coming to our frequent events.

Events for the community

East Grinstead Conservatives hold regular events which are open to the community, not just existing members. Recent events have included a guided tour of the High Street with Dorset Arms supper, a quiz at Chequer Mead, a Hog Roast and family fun day at Ashurst Wood.

Please email John Belsey at belseyj@gmail.com or info@msca.org.uk if you would like details of future events.

Keep in touch online at www.midsussexconservatives.com

The website is updated regularly and includes all our news from across Mid Sussex including news about Parliament, our local councils and details of our social and fund raising activities. We also run local surveys so please tell us your views!

Follow us on Facebook

We have updated our Facebook page so please follow us and 'like' us on Facebook. Just search for 'Mid Sussex Conservatives'



Follow us on Twitter - @Mid_Sussex

For all your local news, events and photos!



Other ways of getting more closely involved with East Grinstead Conservatives

If you are a Conservative and are thinking of getting more involved with helping the party locally we would really welcome your support and we love to meet new supporters. We are a very friendly group and would be so grateful to meet new people. Could you?

- > let us know that you support us
- > join the Conservatives
- > deliver a few leaflets in your road or area
- > make a donation
- > attend social or fundraising events
- > find out about becoming a Councillor yourself.

Just call John Belsey on 07771 986353 or email info@msca.org.uk and we'll be touch.

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

Please return to:
Conservative Party, 5 Hazelgrove Road, Haywards Heath, RH16 3PH

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From Heidi Brunsdon, Bob Mainstone, Frank Osborne, Rex Whittaker, Sir Nicholas Soames and East Grinstead Conservatives

HUGE BOOST FOR EAST GRINSTEAD LEISURE FACILITIES

> **Leisure contract a great deal for residents**

> **Extensions to gyms and more gym equipment**

> **Free swimming for children under 8 years old**

> **£2 million of new investment to improve leisure centres**



Users of the Kings leisure centre are seeing big improvements in leisure facilities after Conservative Councillors awarded a new 15 year management contract to industry leaders *Places for People*.

The works have included an extended gym with new, modern equipment, a new soft play area, enlarged changing rooms and a new café. To encourage young people to get involved in sport, swimming will be free for children under 8 years old.

As part of the highly competitive bidding process, Conservative Councillors have demanded a greater focus on cleaning under the new contract and controls will remain on the prices of the most

important services. The contract is a good deal for taxpayers too, with an end to direct Council subsidy of leisure centre running costs and £2 million of private sector investment being secured.

Councillor **Bob Mainstone**: "This is an excellent result for East Grinstead residents as we have been able to negotiate enlarged gyms, improved facilities and free swimming for under 8s, all at no cost to the taxpayer. Leisure centre users are already seeing great benefits".

Voted 'Leisure Centre Operator of the Year' in 2013, *Places for People* is a not-for-profit organisation which manages almost 100 leisure centres across the country on behalf of 29 local Councils.

DELIVERING NEW ENERGY AND LEADERSHIP FOR EAST GRINSTEAD

As Conservatives we promised new energy and leadership in May 2011. We have been actively involved in many projects to:

Set up a neighbourhood plan working group, to achieve front runner status and grant funding to employ the best consultants to produce a plan which reflects the desires and needs of the town's people.

Establish a Portas style Town Team, Project EG, which includes business representation, to drive forward regeneration in the town.

Work with MSDC to host the Olympic Torch on its journey through Mid Sussex and **welcome the Grenadier Guards** to town.

Introduce free Sunday afternoon family entertainment at East Court Live Events. The recent MSDC family play day at King George's Field was also well attended and welcomed by residents.

Encourage the work of the Sports Development Group to enable more participation in sport and to develop the town as a centre of sport excellence and promote Sport England fundraising opportunities.

Honour famous residents of the town by supporting the creation of the McIndoe statue, naming the Sackville School Observatory after Sir Patrick Moore and the Sidney Godley commemoration stone

Support the Bluebell Railway's final push into town after many years of hard work by volunteers.

Redesign and open new King Street toilets by working with MSDC.

Establish a regular and properly funded maintenance program to preserve East Court Mansion.

Work with Network Rail to deliver a new railway station and lower car parking charges. Mid Sussex MP Sir Nicholas Soames is tackling rail operator Southern over their poor service and reliability, recently taking a delegation of East Grinstead residents to meet the Transport Minister.

Promote the rebranding and revitalisation of Chequer Mead community arts centre

Install new playground equipment at Mount Noddy, Kings Field, Imberhorne Lane and Windmill Lane

Achievements for Imberhorne Ward...

- > Funding for a new sports hall and classrooms for Imberhorne School and WSCC grant for new windows and Halsford Park School.
- > Improvements to children's playgrounds in Imberhorne Ward.
- > A22 / Imberhorne Lane junction improvements agreed.
- > Opposition from both County & District Councils to Gatwick's second runway
- > Road resurfacing in Gardenwood Road, Imberhorne Lane, Park Road, Crescent Road, Garland Road, Lindon Avenue and Halsford Park Road.
- > Improvements to street lighting in East Grinstead
- > New station car park extension and reducing in parking charges

Your hard working Conservative local election candidates for Imberhorne Ward

HEIDI BRUNSDON

Heidi and her husband have lived in Imberhorne since 1996. They have two children.



Heidi is an experienced Councillor who has been elected to Mid Sussex District Council and East Grinstead Town Council since 2007.

She is also a County Councillor and currently Chairman of Planning.

BOB MAINSTONE

Bob is an experienced Councillor and past Deputy Mayor. He currently chairs the Town Planning Committee.



His long career in education gives him a clear idea of the needs of young people and families.

Bob is involved with the East Grinstead Business Association and Young Enterprise scheme.



FRANK OSBORNE

Frank is a long time resident of the town and was a founder member of East Grinstead Town Council.



He has been a driving force behind the programme of outdoor entertainment at East Court.

He is married with two grown up daughters and is proprietor of East Grinstead Upholstery.

REX WHITTAKER

Rex has lived in East Grinstead for 28 years where his two sons attended Sackville School.



Rex is Leader of East Grinstead Town Council and co-ordinates the Council's work to represent the town.

He is an active sportsman involved in the Sports Development Group.

CARING AND CAMPAIGNING FOR EAST GRINSTEAD