



From **Mike Bell, Clare Kingsbury-Bell and Holly Young** • www.proudofweston.wordpress.com

POSITIVE PLAN FOR PARKING

Parking is horrific in the centre of Weston and it's the residents and the businesses that suffer.

The car park charges are so high that people park all day in residential streets and on double yellow lines, safe in the knowledge nobody will be coming round to give any tickets or move them on.

Residents end up with blocked driveways and no on-street spaces while businesses suffer because nobody can stop for short periods to use their services without paying through the nose.

Local resident and Lib Dem campaigner Mike Bell said: "It's an appalling situation for town centre residents and has got to change.

"North Somerset Council has had years to take action and,

as usual, seems to ignore local concerns."

The Lib Dem team want to see:

- A return to traffic wardens – to stop illegal parking and enforce time limits.
- Residents' permits – to give us a chance to get our own cars parked.
- More car parks – so less people clog up our streets.
- Fairer prices – elsewhere in North Somerset it's free to park, but not in Weston!
- A park and ride – so visitors and day-trippers can park all day out of town.

We want your views! Let us know what you think by filling in the slip over the page and we'll do our best to campaign for you.



Campaigners Clare Kingsbury-Bell, Holly Young and the Lib Dem team are listening to residents' concerns about parking problems in the town centre.

Fat cat councillors?

When Conservative councillors were elected they greedily increased the amount of money they were given by up to 50% and gave themselves pensions.

Mike Bell said: "This is utterly disgusting. People should want to become a councillor because they want to give something back to the community and improve where they live – not their bank balance.

"We support **cutting councillors' allowances** and completely **scrapping the ludicrous pension scheme.**"



Keep in touch with all the latest news online

You can keep in touch with all the latest news and views affecting Weston-super-Mare town centre by visiting our website:

www.proudofweston.wordpress.com

Rubbish? Here's a tip ...

The recent chaos over rubbish collections highlighted some key issues that have not been dealt with, particularly in the town centre.

There are lots of flats in our area where residents need more help than they currently get. Food waste cannot be left to pile up in flats and rubbish cannot always be kept indoors. The Tory council is not tackling any of these problems.

Clare Kingsbury-Bell said: "We would like to see some **on street recycling points** so residents can get rubbish out of their homes without having to leave it on the streets. People living in flats wouldn't need to find that extra space and visitors or passers by can recycle their rubbish too.

"We also want **lids for green boxes** so they are protected from the weather. Then they too could be kept outside when there isn't enough space inside."



Mike, Clare and Holly have some bright ideas to tackle rubbish.

It's time for change at North Somerset Council

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How Weston Central Ward voted in the last council election

How you voted in this ward last time. Only a few votes will separate your local Lib Dem team and the Conservative councillors who have let you down and wasted your money!

North Somerset's ruling Conservatives - the worst council we've ever had?

- ✗ £12 million WASTED on new Clevedon offices
- ✗ Parking charges UP and UP - no help for residents
- ✗ Plan to SPEND £9.7 million improving Town Hall offices
- ✗ Council Tax UP and UP and at its highest ever level
- ✗ Tropicana CLOSED in 2000 - failure to solve ever since
- ✗ Pay RISES of up to 50% for councillors
- ✗ Library and museum services CUT in anti-Weston agenda

It's time for them to go.

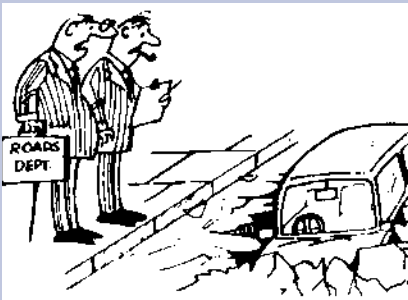
Are we going to pot-holes?

The condition of some of the town centre's roads and pavements has never been worse - and the harsh winter has not helped.

Your local Lib Dem team is determined to highlight

problem areas to the council and campaign to get them fixed.

If you would like to report roads or pavements in poor condition, fill in the form below, visit our website or email mike@mikebell.org.uk.



It matters what you think...

Use the space below to tell us about a local concern ...

Name/s _____
Address _____
Email _____
Phone _____

- I will support the Lib Dem team ☐
I support fair votes ☐
I can display a poster for the Lib Dems ☐
I can deliver leaflets in my street ☐
I'd like to join the Lib Dems as a member ☐

Return to: Lib Dems FREEPOST RRBL-BXUY-CGYB, 54 George Street, Weston-super-Mare, BS23 3AS

News in Brief

Holly joins the team!

Holly Young has joined the team of local residents who want to fight for Central Weston by becoming a councillor.

Holly is a young mum and works at Weston Central Children's Centre. Along with husband and wife team Mike and Clare, she will be asking for your vote to become part of Weston Town Council in May. Mike and Clare will also be standing for North Somerset Council at the elections in May.

Holly said: "I'm really excited about the prospect of being a town councillor.



"I am proud to live in Weston and to be part of our community.

"I look forward to working with local residents and helping to improve our area."

You can contact Holly by returning the form below or emailing her at: holly.young@hotmail.co.uk

Dog poo stinks!

We've noticed an increase in the amount of dog poo on our streets here in Weston town centre. Have you?

Let us know if it's an issue where you live and we'll call for an extra dog poo bin or some extra street cleaning to try and tackle things.

Trop - give local man Richard the job

On and on we wait for something....anything....to happen on the derelict eyesore on our seafront once called The Tropicana.

Tory councillors have yet again failed to get an outside firm to take on the Tropicana. All they seem to do is talk. When will they listen to the residents of Weston and let local businessman Richard Nightingale have a go?

Lib Dem campaigners Mike, Clare and Holly fully support letting Mr Nightingale take his plans forward.



Conservative councillors running North Somerset just won't listen

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