

Dawn Hoskins. Independent.

My family and I have lived in Passfield for over ten years. I have three sons all schooled locally and both myself and my husband attained our degrees at Surrey University – his in Civil Engineering and mine in Law.

I am an independent thinker. I do not think you need to have your decisions affirmed by your 'chosen' colleagues to know what

is right and what is wrong. I believe that bad decisions have been made by our parish council in the past because they have been based, not on what is correct, but to whom allegiances are owed.

I am standing for Parish Council as I dearly wish to bring it into this Century. I do not think it is a big ask to communicate in a positive way with members of the public. The antiquated methods currently in place do not encourage people to come and air their views. If no views are heard – how can our money be spent in the way we want it to? Lets get computer friendly; Get e-mail friendly and get parishioner friendly!

I would like more interaction between local business and the council and also more interaction with young people in our schools. I aim to see 'mini-councils' set up in the junior school so we can truly interact with the children. This liaison would involve the youth of today with decisions that will affect them tomorrow.

I would like an active attempt to revitalise the area around Station Road. The shops here appear more rundown than ever since units have closed and never re-let. I aim to install some decent signage to indicate that shops and free parking are available.

As a regular 'Mums Taxi Service' I am acutely aware of the difficulties faced by families in this area due to lack of public transport. It is not acceptable that we have to ferry children to neighbouring villages to skate, BMX or play sports (other than football or tennis).

I would also like to direct attention towards the outlying hamlets such as Conford, Bramshott, Hewshott, Griggs Green and Passfield whose specific needs are often overlooked.

In the last Parish Election, out of 6,000 + voters – just over 1,000 bothered to turn up. Parish Councillors are supposed to spend your hard earned cash on what they think you want, not fighting unnecessary legal squabbles.

We have a fabulous village – we deserve a Parish Council that we can be <u>proud of</u>.

Vote Dawn Hoskins for Parish Council.