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I have lived, with my family, in Liphook for some 23 years. My son went through the local schools of Infants, Juniors and Bohunt before moving on to Alton College and then University. I have been involved with a number of projects in and around Liphook, such

as Liphook in Bloom and the Parish Plan, driving for the local Community Transport system and activities such as coaching the mini rugby teams at Haslemere RFC and as I am half of the internationally renowned 'Fat Boys BBQ Team' providing support to many charity and fund raising events.

Over the years I have watched with dismay the seeming inability of the council to operate in a fair and open manner, indeed at times it seemed to be descending into a Whitehall farce with hidden agendas and everything clouded in secrecy. I think it is time that the old negative standoffs be abandoned with a fresh start to many of the outstanding problems and issues requiring attention in Liphook. We need to be looking at ways to boost local economy in and around Liphook, particularly Station Road and the surrounding areas.

I think that all councillors must work as a part of a team to provide the best results for Liphook in general and in a transparent way rather than some skewed by personal views that do not necessarily reflect the views of the Parish in general.

Transport is a major issue particularly with the number of older residents who have no means of transport other than taxis or buses or obliging relatives and friends. Another major issue is about all the new housing that is already approved and potentially going to be applied for and built; where is the infrastructure to cope with it all? The schools are already full to overflowing and down the Longmoor Road we are already being subjected to power outs and flooding sewers.

I love Liphook and its surrounding areas and I do not wish to see it ruined because of bickering. My politics, as such, are conservative. I do not belong to any trade union or political party, my views being my own but influenced by people I speak to.

Cheers