

# Onslow Issues

From your Conservative Borough Councillor Adrian Chandler



Autumn 2012

## Councillor Chandler supports new signs for local business



Councillor Adrian Chandler has requested the erection of signage to direct people to the local parade of shops on The Square, Wilderness Road. Adrian has requested Council officers to look into the placing of signs advertising the 'Onslow Village Shops' at Farnham Road opposite The Drive, The Chase opposite Elmside, and Elmside opposite the turning to Queen Eleanor's Road. Adrian said: "This is a small and simple improvement that the Council can undertake to ensure pedestrians and motorists know where our parade is. It is important that we support our local businesses." The funds to pay for this improvement will come from Section 106 planning obligations.

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## Guildford gets even Greener

Conservative run Guildford Borough Council has long prioritised efficient recycling of the town's rubbish. The latest figures show that over 51% of all domestic waste collected is recycled – which makes us far above the national average. Microwaveable meal trays, yoghurt pots and plastic film are all now collected each week by the recycling lorries. The Council's new target is 70% recycled.

For a full range of what you can put in your box go to [guildford.gov.uk/recycle](http://guildford.gov.uk/recycle) or look out for 'About Guildford'.

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## Your chance to see policing change in onslow and surrey

The biggest change to policing since 1829 is coming into force this Autumn. On 15th November voters across England and Wales will get the chance to elect a Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) for their local area, including right here in Surrey. The PCC will replace the County's Police Authority and the successful candidate will take office on 22nd November. Police and Crime Commissioners will mean that, for the first time, you will be able to hold someone to account for policing Surrey. Our new PCC will bring communities closer to the police, building confidence and restoring trust in the policing system.

A third of the public have no idea who to complain to if they are not happy with the way their local area is being policed. Police and Crime Commissioners will change this.

Julie Isles has been selected as the Conservative candidate for Surrey. Julie has lived in Surrey with her husband and family for over 25 years. Her children go to local schools. She has the right skills to be the Police & Crime Commissioner. Julie has a successful track record in business, extensive experience as a Magistrate, Youth Justice Advisor and Youth Lead for Surrey Crimestoppers along with direct involvement in partnership working.

Between now and 15 November Julie will be campaigning for your vote. This is an opportunity for you to have a say on what policing priorities should be in Onslow and Guildford. Julie Isles comments, *"My priority is simple: to cut crime by tackling antisocial behaviour, slashing the red tape which stops police*



*Julie Isles with Anne Milton MP*

*fighting crime and being a strong voice for local people and victims. I want to make Surrey an even safer place to live."*  
Contact Julie at: [julie@juli Isles.org.uk](mailto:julie@juli Isles.org.uk) or on 07591 005993.

## Improved garden waste service for residents

Guildford Council will be introducing wheeled bins to replace green sacks for garden waste from April 2013. Adrian said: *"We have the highest number of garden waste subscribers in Surrey. These changes will help us reach our target of 70% recycling and composting by 2015."* The option of paying for this service by direct debit will also be available.



## Problem of untrimmed hedges in Onslow highlighted

Adrian is reminding local residents of the importance of keeping hedges trimmed back. *"There have been strong growth spurts this year resulting in many hedges around Onslow village overhanging pavements. This can cause real problems for the elderly and parents with buggies and shopping. If your hedge backs onto the pavement please keep it trimmed back."*



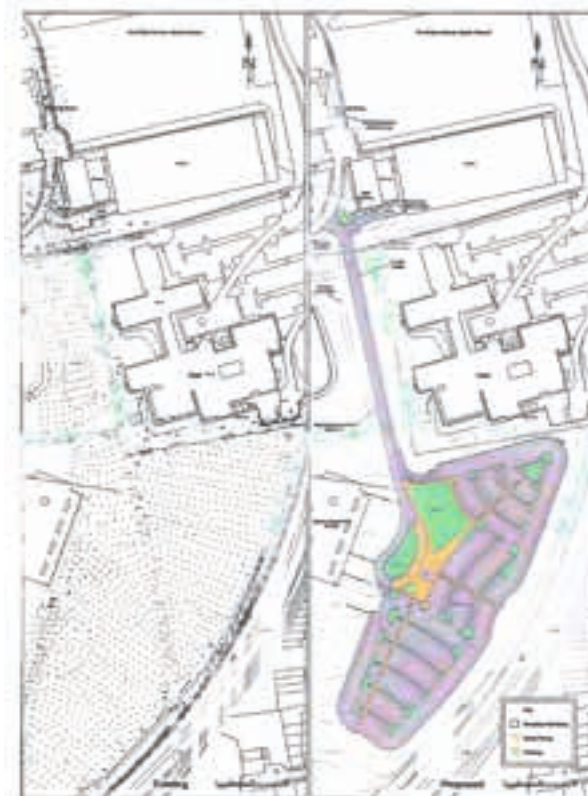


## Onslow Park and Ride moves a step closer

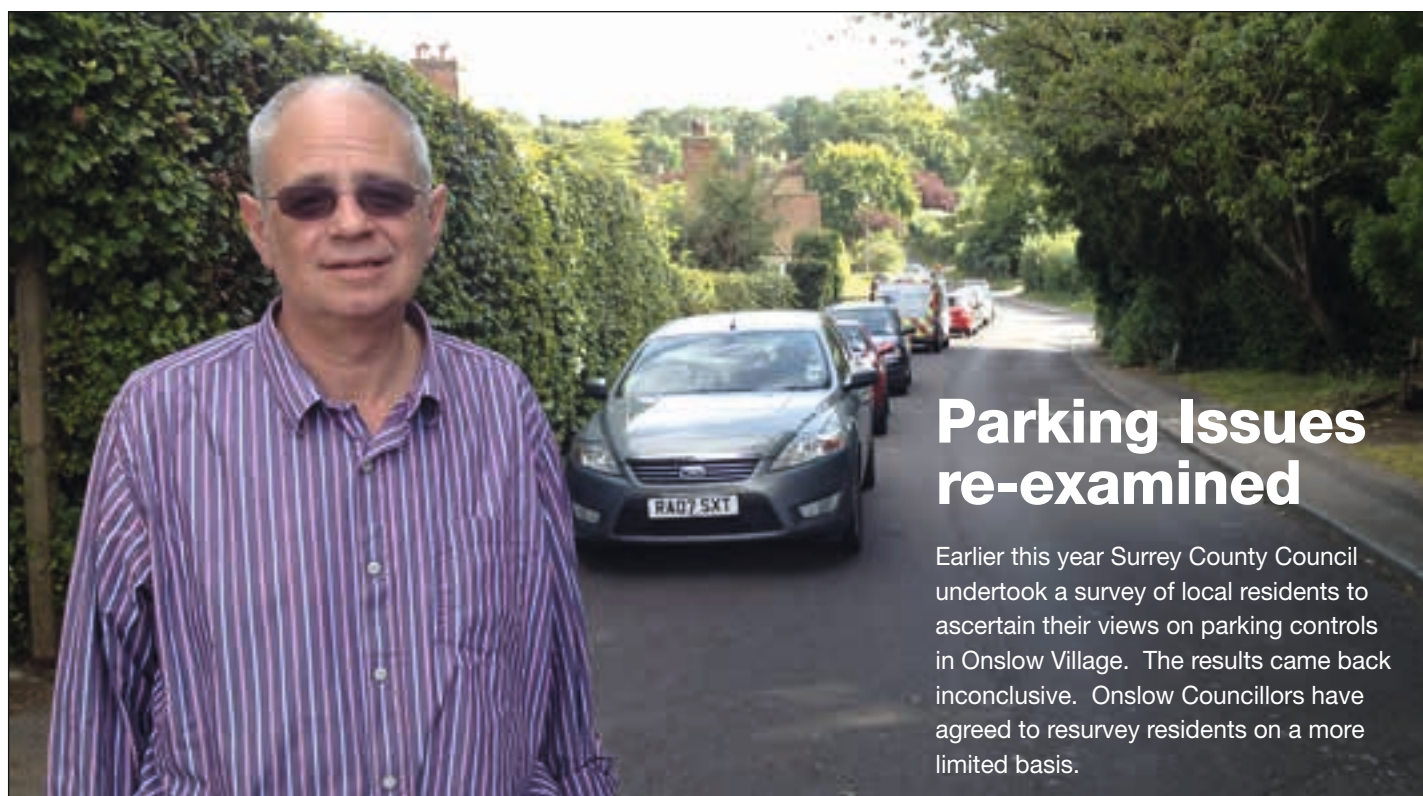
Surrey County Council has been successful in securing an award of over £14 million from central Government towards sustainable transport initiatives, which includes £4.5 million worth of funding to construct a Park & Ride site and provide initial operating costs. The Executive of Guildford Borough Council approved the principle last year. Surrey County Council is now progressing matters. Adrian said *"A park and ride scheme to serve the western corridor of Guildford may ease congestion on the town but there are serious concerns over the volume of traffic hitting Egerton Road."*

## New Exams to Match the World's best standard

The Government is changing the exam system. GCSE's will be replaced by the English 'Baccalaureate Certificates'. The changes, announced earlier this week by Education Secretary Michael Gove, will mean an end to falling standards and a focus on the subjects that employers clearly say that they value most. They have already been endorsed by the Institute of Directors and the Confederation of British Industry. Adrian explains this change: *"Our teachers and pupils are working harder than ever before but, unfortunately, the exams system is letting them down. Under the new system pupils will be assessed on the basis of a*



*three-hour examination at the end of the two-year course, rather than the current system of modules, coursework and controlled assessment."*



## Parking Issues re-examined

Earlier this year Surrey County Council undertook a survey of local residents to ascertain their views on parking controls in Onslow Village. The results came back inconclusive. Onslow Councillors have agreed to resurvey residents on a more limited basis.

## Your local team ...



### Councillor Adrian Chandler

Adrian has lived in the Guildford area for over 40 years and in Onslow for 30. He started work at Imperial Life, entering IT as a technician in 1979, and has been a freelance business systems consultant since 1997. He has experience of the Insurance, Retail, Aircraft and Telecoms business sectors. Adrian also belongs to a number of professional computer organisations and the Institute Of Directors. In his spare time his interests are Cricket, Football, Music and has performed in the past in many Amateur Dramatic productions. He has a keen interest in the railways, planning and other transport matters. Adrian is a Friend of the Yvonne Arnaud Theatre, a member of the Royal Surrey Council Hospital Trust and a member of the local Residents Association. Please do not hesitate to contact Adrian if you have any concerns regarding local matters.

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