

# Merrow Times

From your Conservative Borough Councillors

David Carpenter and Jenny Jordan , and your Borough & County Councillor Graham Ellwood



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## Clandon Gates utility Box Buried from View

Councillor Ellwood has supported Merrow Resident's superb effort in persuading S.E. Gas to relocate, underground, the unsightly gas cabinet in front of the gates of Clandon Park. Councillor Jenny Jordan (The Mayor), David Carpenter and Anne Milton MP also supported this important effort. The gates of Clandon Park are a prominent local feature that must have their setting respected.

"Well done to Keith Meldrum and everyone at Merrow Residents' Association who worked to secure this!"



## 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 Merrow 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 Iles 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 Merrow and Guildford. Julie Iles comments, "My priority is simple: to cut crime by tackling antisocial behaviour, slashing the red tape which stops police



Julie Iles 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@julieiles.org.uk](mailto:julie@julieiles.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. Cllr David Carpenter 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.



## Bushy Hill Community Centre 'spruced up'

Graham has been personally supporting the highly commendable police initiative to repair and improve the Bushy Hill Community Centre. In addition to grants the police have obtained, including one from the High Sheriff, to help carry out this work, Cllr Graham Ellwood has had a £950 grant from his Local County Members Allowance approved to help pay for materials. Tremendous support from local Bushy Hill trades people and Committee members saw a great deal of the initial work completed recently.

The police and Graham are hoping the Community Centre will now be more appealing and better used by The Local Community to help generate good Community spirit.

# County Issues

with Cllr Graham Ellwood



## Merrow Downs Improvements

Councillor Ellwood has had a grant of £5000 from his Local Allowance approved to resurface the right of way to Merrow Downs. This work, at the top of Grove Road, is now complete and the road surface vastly improved. Councillor Ellwood has also had the height restriction reinstated on the entrance to Merrow Downs to prevent possible unauthorised incursions.



Graham says:  
*'If you have concerns about any of these issues, or anything else that is the responsibility of Surrey County Council, please do get in touch.'*

## Protection for Parking at Merrow Parade

Councillor Ellwood will be seeking approval in the forthcoming parking review for controlled parking restrictions in Merrow Parade. This is to free up the spaces for shoppers and to deter all day parking. Councillors Jenny Jordan and David Carpenter will be supporting him in these efforts.

## Vehicle Activated Sign installed on Trodds Lane

Cllr Ellwood allocated funds from his county allocation to fund the installation of a VAS sign, an important step in improving road safety on Trodds Lane.

## Launch of The Green Bus Company

A new travel service for St Peters School has been launched with support from Councillor Ellwood and County officers. This has been made possible by the tremendous efforts of the Headmaster, Robert Guinea, and The School Governors.

## Pavement improvements at The Willows

In response to requests from elderly and disabled residents Councillor Ellwood has applied for funds from his County Community Pride Allowance for a dropped kerb in The Willows, off Kingfisher Drive.





# Your local team ...



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