

YOU SAY RECYCLE PLASTIC



FANTASTIC RESPONSE

We would like to thank all of you who returned the plastic recycling petition from the last FOCUS. We received well over 400 signatures. This is by far the best response yet to a FOCUS petition. As you know, for over two years the Liberal Democrats have been asking Reigate & Banstead Borough Council to carry out a plastic recycling study. Just before Christmas they ran a limited pilot study in a small area of the Borough. The initial feedback from those residents who took part has been very positive. The waste management officers responsible for the scheme will be presenting the results to members in the spring.

Unfortunately, the Tory controlled Council has still not decided between a kerbside collection or a 'take to site'.



**You have asked Reigate & Banstead Council to
collect your plastic bottles for recycling.
Your Liberal Democrat Councillors will continue to press
for the setting up of an effective scheme.**

FOCUS TEAM ACTIONS & SUCCESSES

- ❑ Liberal Democrat Councillors successfully supported residents in their fight to stop developments in Clarence Road and Fairlawn Drive. They have worked closely with residents in Blanford Road and Waterlow Road trying to prevent the demolition and redevelopment of prominent sites.
- ❑ Some voluntary organisations have had their grants slashed by this Tory controlled Council. The CVS lost a third of its grant. Liberal Democrat Cllr. Graham Norman argued against the cuts and was delighted that the Citizens Advice Bureau's funding was restored.
- ❑ In Merstham, Liberal Democrat Councillors are supporting residents who oppose the permanent closure of Frenches Road.
- ❑ Local Lib Dem's are liaising with the Council and Thames Water to try to solve the problem of overflowing sewage on Merstham Recreation Ground.



COMPOSTING

Some of you will have been buying Garden Waste bags, which you thought were for composting. Unfortunately the bags have been routinely dumped in land-fill sites. Good news is on the horizon. Following up on Lib-Dem Cllr. Steve Kulka's initiative, Reigate & Banstead's waste management team is now in discussions with other local Councils, including Liberal Democrat Sutton, with a view to a collaborative composting scheme.

PARKING PROBLEMS



As a result of your positive response to our park and ride proposals, your Liberal Democrat team have been out and about in the Borough checking the significant parking and traffic problems. The Conservative Council has so far refused to give serious consideration to a much needed Park and Ride scheme for our towns.

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Do you want us to help with any problem?

- Would you display a poster at election time?
- Would you deliver a few Lib Dem leaflets?
- Would you like to join the local Lib Dem's?

Please ring 215111 or 246305

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You could help too!