

Recycling soars under Lib Dems

Recycling levels have soared thanks to action from the Lib Dem led Waverley Council.

The percentage of recycled waste has risen to 35%, up from 22% last year putting Waverley among the best performing councils in the country. Nearly three quarters of the borough's residents now recycle, up by half on last year.

Lib Dem Council leader Cllr Jill Ferguson said, "We promised Waverley residents that we would improve recycling. Now we have delivered on this promise. I would like to thank local residents for their efforts in making this possible."

The introduction of Alternate Weekly Collections (AWC), which the council acknowledges has caused difficulties in some areas, has been responsible for boosting the amount of goods we now recycle. Many of the problems were caused by failures by Conservative run Surrey County Council

The scheme now seems to be

running better. However, if any resident is still experiencing problems with collections, they should contact the Council.

Lib Dem Parliamentary Campaigner Sarah Di Caprio said, "I'm very proud of what the Lib Dem Council has achieved in recycling and the way residents have got behind the new recycling scheme. Together we can do much to protect our environment."

Cllr Mike Biddiscombe added, "The new system is working well in Haslemere and Hindhead and is working to boost recycling rates. If anyone has queries about recycling or green waste, please don't hesitate to get in touch."

New recycling planned

Lib Dem Councillors are looking at new ways to improve recycling further in our area. A top priority is to allow recycling of kitchen waste.

The Council is also improving and increasing the number of 'bring sites' locally - using payments generated from increase recycling levels.



● Local campaigners Sarah Di Caprio and Cllr Vic Scrivens are delighted at the improvements made to recycling by the Lib Dem Council.

Campaign on mineral sites

Lib Dems are keeping up the pressure on the County Council about the inclusion of two local sites in the county's Minerals Plan.

Both Monckton Lane at Farnham and Eashing Farm near Godalming have been included by the Tory Council.

County Councillor Chris Slyfield and Borough Councillor Byron Grainger-Jones have joined with local Parliamentary campaigner Sarah Di Caprio in demanding

answers over the inclusion of the sites.

Sarah said, "Both Monckton Lane and Eashing were not included in previous Surrey Minerals Plans so we want to know why it is they're now considered suitable? We don't agree they are!"

"The Lib Dems will continue to ask questions of the ruling Tories at County Hall. We must make sure our local environment is safeguarded against unsuitable minerals work."



● Sarah Di Caprio and Cllr Chris Slyfield near Eashings Farm site

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