

TOWN & VILLAGE NEWS



BEACH CLEANING SUCCESS

A huge thank you to everyone that gives their free time to clean Deal's wonderful beach. SITA do the job as best they can, but it is the volunteers in our community that really do the lions share and I want to thank them all for their sterling efforts in keeping our beaches stunningly clean! THANK YOU!!!



BIN THE BAG - and save the planet

Momentum for the bin the bag campaign is gathering pace. Even some of the large retailers as well as many of the smaller ones are now charging for plastic carrier bags in an effort to encourage customers to reduce, re-use and recycle. A massive thank you from the Conservatives to the Rosie Retcher team and to Dover Grammar School for Boys for keeping the campaign going as it grows from strength to strength.



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New evidence has come to light of the Labour Party's problems. The Labour MPs latest newsletter trumpets exciting regeneration plans...which were spearheaded by Dover's Conservative Council. We thought about claiming credit for all Labour's work, but after ten years there seems nothing to say. Buckland Hospital has been run down, the A2 is still not duelled and local wages have fallen £1,000 in the last five years. Oh dear.

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Would you like to know more about your local Conservatives?

Please complete and return this slip to Charlie Elphicke, 54 The Strand, Walmer, Deal CT14 7DP, and we will arrange for a local Conservative to contact you.

Name

Address

Tel No

E mail

**WE WANT
TO HEAR
FROM YOU**
Please contact us
with your views
and opinions



Conservatives
It's time for change

Local Conservatives Keeping in touch with local people

TIME FOR ACTION ON THE A258

By Charlie Elphicke

Far too many people have died on the A258. Too little has been done for too long. The families who have lost loved ones are right to have a petition. They have done the community a great service with their excellent campaign.

I recently arranged for some bereaved families to meet Theresa Villiers MP, Shadow Secretary of State for Transport to set out their concerns. Lesley Horne, who tragically lost her 11 year old daughter in an A258 accident told the press following the meeting, *"It was really positive. There need to be safety measures put in place. No improvements will bring the loved ones back, but their deaths need not be in vain."*

I cannot agree more. The families are so decent, have lost so much and yet still find the strength to campaign - not for themselves but selflessly for others in the community. That's real compassion and I could not help but be deeply moved by what they had to say.

For over 10 years this road has been a death-trap and the Conservative team and myself will be getting stuck in to do all we can to keep improvements on the A258 a priority and to do our best to help make a difference. We will keep everyone posted.



WIN AN IPOD SHUFFLE!!!

Tell us in no more than 250 words what facilities you would like to see for young people in our district and why and you could win a free apple ipod shuffle.

Send your entries, with your name and address (so we can tell you if you've won!) to:
Charlie Elphicke,

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The Conservative vision for Deal is one of prosperity and improved quality of life for residents and visitors alike. We will do all we can to make sure Deal gets its fair share.

Plans for our local library

The refurbishment of the library will be completed soon and will continue to offer an invaluable and outstanding service to its customers. I would like to see even more services delivered from there though. Is it a good idea for the Citizens Advice Bureau and Dover District Council services as well as Kent County Council services to be run from one central place, making it easier for everyone?

What do you think? Let us have your views.



New look for Deal seafront

The outdoor cafe area on the seafront has been hugely successful and is a fabulous outdoor space for all to enjoy and the new pedestrian area at Park Street in the town centre will ensure safety for shoppers and their children.



Great news for Deal Pier!

Work on Deal pier is well on its way to being finished and soon we will all be able to enjoy the fantastic new café. It will be a fabulous venue to take in the sea air and have a cup of tea and a cake!

*Huge congratulations must also go to the pier attendants as Deal Pier has been named Pier Of The Year 2008 by the national pier society. We owe them a huge debt of gratitude for keeping our pier clean, tidy and safe and we are all very proud to be receiving this prestigious award. What an outstanding achievement to be selected out of all the piers in Great Britain. **WOW!***

Future of the Quarterdeck

After years of neglect, the Quarterdeck on the seafront has reached its end of life. It is a blot on our beautiful landscape and has not been used as a public function hall for years. Julie wants to see the money from the sale of the Quarterdeck going back into the community for the benefit of the community and will be fighting for some of the money to be used for improved arts and culture facilities.

All these things are helping to make Deal more beautiful and to improve the residents' quality of life. Your elected representative will continue to work hard to make Deal a better place to live and a visitor destination of choice.

WHAT ARE WE DOING FOR YOU?

Your Local Deal Conservative Councillors:

- ✓ Have kept weekly dustbin collections and have NOT introduced a bin tax.
- ✓ Have cleaned and will continue to clean graffiti-to report graffiti dial 01304 821199
- ✓ Have issued many dog fouling fines and will continue to be robust on dealing with dog fouling. To report dog fouling dial 01304 821199
- ✓ Have cleaned our pavements of chewing gum and invested heavily in new rubbish bins on the seafront.
- ✓ Will continue to invest in flowers and green areas to keep Deal attractive to residents and visitors.
- ✓ Will keep streetlights in good working order-to report faulty street lights, pot holes and wobbly pavements e mail or call Cllr Julie Rook on julie.rook@btinternet.com or 07766950623
- ✓ Will continue to be robust in dealing with anti social behaviour. To report anti social behaviour dial 01304 821199.
- ✓ Cllrs Julie Rook, Kit Smith, Sue Le Chevalier, Paul Watkins, Adrian Friend, Charlie Kirby and Trevor Bond believe that Middle Deal, Sholden and North Deal need improved road access & flood protection. We will lobby government to make sure that we get it.
- ✓ Believe that 24 hour drinking laws are not working and that citizens lives are being ruined by drunken, loutish behaviour at night. We will continue to work to get our voices heard at national level.
- ✓ We have doubled recycling rates over the last 5 years and will be slowly rolling out plastic, cardboard and garden waste doorstep collections in late autumn 2008.

DEAL REGATTA WEEK - JULY 2008



One of Deal's finest social events - the raft race - will be held during regatta week on July 27th 2008. Come and cheer on the Conservative team and join them at a hog roast afterwards! Parliamentary candidate Charlie Elphicke will be at the helm along with some of our younger members - all flying the Conservative flag!

COME AND JOIN US AT OUR HOG ROAST
Call Neil or Alex on 379669 for tickets