

## ASK AND WE WILL DELIVER!

**We live here so we care!** Phil Coleman, Martin Goss, David King and Anne Turrell, know what the road and congestion issues are in Mile End. We are constantly pushing Essex County Highways and the Local Highways Panel for improvements, large or small. Our successes include a **pedestrian light crossing** on the NAR near Wallace Road - approval expected soon. **Repairs** to traffic Island railings and street lamps. **Resurfacing** for Mill Road and all of Bergolt Road and **new speed signs** outside Myland School. We continue to get traffic flows checked. Engineers checked out **traffic lights synchronisation** at junctions such as Mill Road/NAR and Asda - and believe it or not - they are working well!

**Green Space and Fresh Air:** We will keep much needed access to the countryside and our playing fields and play areas. We will have a new village green off Mill Road.

We can also look forward to a renewed and protected Chesterwell Wood and new parkland with many hundreds of new trees, recreation and wildlife areas, down to the A12, accessible for all. Work starts in 2019.



**Better Development:** Our children and theirs need homes and housing so we welcome what is done really well. But we will fight - and we can win - against poor development. The Bakers Lane housing development was stopped. Martin Goss attended the planning appeal meeting for the team and spoke out against this speculative development. We were delighted to hear that the inspector found in our favour. Development was refused on the proposed site. We will fight any appeal or new proposals.

**Better Roads - Less Congestion** We welcome traffic calming in Mill Road. We will CAMPAIGN for more relief for Turner Road and Mill Road. It will take time. But some GOOD NEWS that will happen early in 2019 - big improvements to the Mill Road and A134 and Northern Approach junctions. These junctions will get new filter lanes and lights to alleviate queues and standing, polluting, traffic.



**Better facilities** New schools, new community centres and new shopping areas will make new developments work well work and serve all residents across Mile End. Northern Gateway will bring first class sports for all. And entertainment facilities, places to meet, eat and socialise, with great football and concerts at Colchester United's nearby Stadium.

**Lots to look forward to - supported by YOUR local Liberal Democrat Councillors**

## TEAR OFF AND KEEP INFORMATION DETAILS

### 'Report It'

- ☆ **In an emergency** call 999 \* For **Police awareness** of issues such as speeding, concerns and non-emergencies: Call 101, email [colchestercommunitypolicingteam@essex.pnn.police.uk](mailto:colchestercommunitypolicingteam@essex.pnn.police.uk) or go on line at [www.essex.police.uk/do-it-online/report-a-crime](http://www.essex.police.uk/do-it-online/report-a-crime)
- ☆ **Crimestoppers** - report a crime anonymously 0800 555 111.
- ☆ **Essex County Council** Highways report potholes, kerbs, paths and streetlight issues [www.essexhighways.org/tell-us/report-all-issues.aspx](http://www.essexhighways.org/tell-us/report-all-issues.aspx)
- ☆ **Colchester Borough Council issues** [www.colchester.gov.uk](http://www.colchester.gov.uk) Or call 01206 282222.

### Advice, Information or Help - Contact YOUR local Liberal Democrat Councillors

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**Cllrs David King, Phil Coleman, Martin Goss and Anne Turrell say:**



## IT'S TIME FOR ACTION

At last we have a congestion reducing success. The first stage of traffic calming has been agreed for the Highwoods part of Mill Road.

Signage and changes to the Severalls Lane junction as well as a narrowing of the road towards the Rugby Club will slow traffic and take lorries and through traffic up Axial Way. That will reduce pollution and congestion.

The final scheme details are awaited but this is only the first step. County Councillor Anne Turrell has been pressing for these changes for many months. Now your Lib Dem Councillor Team will PRESS HARD for the next improvements:

- **Traffic flow and pollution checks** of Mill Road AFTER traffic calming
- **More traffic calming** measures to reduce traffic speed and volumes
- **Radical change at the hospital** in Turner Road to minimise the use of Turner Road and to reduce the pressure of staff and visitor parking on nearby roads

We need the help of Highways and Essex County and the Hospital Trust. We will be constructive. We are speaking to them. But we will press hard - and ask you to support our campaign for change.

## SUPPORT OUR HOSPITAL - BUT EXPECT BETTER

**We value the NHS. We are proud of our hospital and welcome growth and redevelopment if it leads to better facilities. That is great news for us and our families and friends. We want them to succeed. We will support them,**

IF they demonstrate that they value their local community. The good news is they are listening. We have asked they agree that to make our hospital a more welcoming and easier site to visit. And that they:

- Consult before you act - talk to Councillors and patient groups and the community we represent
- Make it easier to park for those that must with enough spaces, on site, at any time of day
- Minimise car journeys - reduce staff journeys by car and make it easier to travel by cycle and bus
- Take account of pollution - design for traffic flow with least 'stop/start' polluting journeys
- Be a good neighbour - reduce congestion and off-road parking on nearby streets - with a new entrance off the Northern Approach Road



# BETTER COLCHESTER

**A prosperous, greener, cleaner, better Colchester helps us all.** Many in Mile End work in the borough, or regularly visit the many pubs, restaurants or shops. Liberal Democrat led work is making a big impact through regeneration, grants, and the hard work of Council staff. **Action already underway includes:**

**Transport for Colchester.** We need more pedestrianisation, better bus services, action on congestion and pollution. **A good start has been made.** Colchester and Essex Councils are putting more money into local traffic schemes - £700,000. The Local Highways Panel that decides what matters most has been brought back to Colchester. **We will have a greater voice.**

**Fight Crime and Improve Community Safety.** Town centre and rural policing teams have been strengthened. There will be a more visible community policing presence from this autumn with extra PCs and PCSOs. Working with the Council they have already made a big difference.

Aggressive beggars have been moved on or fined. Anti-social behaviour and crime are being tackled. It is more pleasant and an even safer feel for residents and visitors.



**Clean up and promote the town centre.** Deep cleaning helped by specialist contractors has changed the look of our streets and there's more to come. Colchester sparkles.

New staff are being recruited, new vehicles and equipment are being bought. Enforcement action is being taken against those who litter or misbehave. We all benefit.

**Sports and Health for All.** Planning permission has been gained for the sports development on the North side of the A12 opposite the Park and Ride. New pitches are already being laid. When complete the development will host two full size floodlit all weather pitches, grass rugby pitches and a new rugby club building.

Plus - a floodlit cycle track, a 'learn to cycle' area, a new archery range, a new sports hall with changing rooms, a coffee shop plus access for walkers, cyclists and a bridleway across the site, first sections open late next year.



## MILE END LEADS THE WAY!

Your Councillors are making these changes for a Better Colchester and a Better Mile End happen. Phil Coleman scrutinises Council performance and is a Director of Colchester Borough Homes seeking more and better housing. Martin Goss is the Council Cabinet Member leading on waste, recycling and Transport for Colchester. Anne Turrell is our County Councillor who leads on highways issues and is on the Local Highways Panel campaigning to get the best she can for our roads. David King is the Cabinet Member leading on the money, rural issues such as the Colchester Orbital and stopping non-recyclable plastics.

# LISTENING TO MILE END



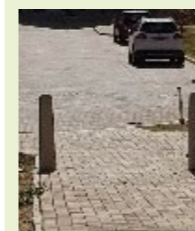
**We knock on every door. We ask 'how are things'** and sometimes they are just great. Mostly. But many also have a concern or two. And our annual survey, dropped through every door during the year, reinforces our understanding of what matters most to you. Thank you for taking the trouble - you help us and your neighbours. Recent survey returns suggest Mile End folks care most about:

- **Litter and dog fouling** (we have led a campaign for education and enforcement action)
- **Congestion hot spots** particularly Turner Road and Mill Road (where we are pressing for relief) and through North Station
- **Car parking** (we continue to consult residents as to whether they want permits and or yellow lines)
- **Bus services** (these are liked but you want more and better- a cause Phil has taken up with the bus companies)
- **Policing** although Mile End feels safe for most we all would feel better with a more visible police presence (extra funding has been approved, more officers are being recruited and 'street weeks' will mean police visits to different areas across the borough)

**The Good News - most of us like Mile End. It works well.** It still has open space, and some good facilities and links to town. And more is coming, from Northern Gateway to new community centres.

## FIGHTING YOUR CORNER

We all want life to be better. With your help we can make a difference. Three examples:



**Safer for our children**  
Following concerns from residents we asked Crest to install bollards to stop vehicles accessing paths as dangerous short cuts into the Rosewood estate. You also contacted us about the risk to children walking into Fords Lanes towards the playing fields and play area. At our request we now have warning signs in Fords Lane. And we have taken enforcement action against dog fouling given the health risks to our children (and us all) as they walk and play in our open spaces.



**Safety for all**  
Speeding cars put us all at risk, young or old. We regularly talk to the police about community issues that include reports from you about excessive and repeated speeding. In response the Police have run speed checks at 'hot spots' across Mile End. Those locations include Bergolt Road, New Braiswick Park, Mile End Road, Northern Approach Road and Axial Way.

**Getting the Best for You**  
We meet regularly with developers. We make sure that they know what is happening. We get action, from



Northfields to Severalls, Rosewood to Chesterwell. We make sure you are up to date - and your voice is heard. Kerbs and paving fixed, drainage sorted, new trees planted, gardens watered, and issues tackled, an example an agreement with Crest Nicholson to get long standing door and window fitting issues resolved. A great example of 'Fighting Your Corner' - working with developers and residents to find a better way ahead.

## YET BETTER - MILE END

**You tell us life for most in Mile End is good.** But you want your concerns addressed. They are. They will be. We will continue to work, persuade and if needed fight for an even better Mile End.