

## JOHN HALSALL



- ✓ Married with 3 children
- ✓ Lived in Remenham for 30 years
- ✓ Member of Remenham Parish Council for 15 years; Chairman for most of that time
- ✓ Member of Independent Advisory Board of Thames Valley Police
- ✓ Member of Neighbourhood Action Group for Remenham, Wargrave & Ruscombe



*Bob Pitts, Wokingham Borough Councillor for Remenham, Wargrave and Ruscombe and Ruscombe resident says:* "I enjoy working with John; we are a great team and complement each other. He makes a valuable contribution to the Ward and the Borough."

## Wokingham Borough Council (WBC)

- ✓ There has been no increase in council tax for two years and no services have been cut.
- ✓ WBC is one of the most efficient local authorities in the country. It manages its finances prudently and was prescient in starting reform early.
- ✓ WBC receives £34m in central government grant but residents and businesses pay back over £55m in rates and taxes. (this excludes the money that goes directly to schools)
- ✓ WBC receives from central government just £119.9 per person which is the lowest for any unitary, compared with, for example, Slough which gets £406.7 and Reading £332.9. (Reading has the same population as us but get £35m more from Government)
- ✓ Approximately 22p in every pound WBC spends comes from central government—other councils get nearer 50p on average.
- ✓ WBC has saved almost £20m over five years which includes £4.5m to be saved in 2012/13.
- ✓ Each member of staff serves approx. 174 residents—one of the lowest in the country.
- ✓ WBC is the third lowest spending unitary council per head of population (£637), Reading spends £844 and Slough £860.

**The local and experienced choice for Remenham, Wargrave & Ruscombe**

**vote**

**HALSALL**



## Roads and Traffic

Speeding problems exist on Blakes Road, the High Street and Mumbery Hill; parking issues exist throughout the village but in particular on the High and Church Street. I have been working with residents on all these concerns, to make the roads safer and friendlier for all the residents.

## Green Belt and Planning

The Conservative Group at the Borough Council are steadfast in ensuring that development is in strategic locations, that the Green Belt is protected and infilling minimised. The major preoccupation amongst residents is urbanisation of the Village. Bob and I will do our best to ensure that Wargrave is protected and enforcement is made effective, whilst permitting appropriate development. The initial appraisals are undertaken by your parish council, from whom I take a lead. WBC's Core Strategy and the Neighbourhood Plan should assist. We have been dealing amongst others with concerns in Loddon Drive, at the Poultry Farm and the land North of Ivy Cottage.



## Wargrave Library

The Conservatives are committed to the Library service by improving the efficiency of service delivery whilst maintaining and bettering what is offered. Wokingham Borough Council is opening new libraries (Finchampstead). Bob and I will do our best in conjunction with your Parish Council to ensure that the service continues to be tailored to Wargrave's needs and wants.



## Contact us

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BOROUGH Election May 3rd 2012 7am—10pm

What I want to achieve is to:

- ✓ Effectively represent the interests of the Parish and of individual residents.
- ✓ Protect the green belt and control development
- ✓ Improve the roads, parking, traffic nuisance and congestion
- ✓ Address the concerns of the new waste collection scheme
- ✓ Constructively raise the profile of Wargrave at the Borough Council
- ✓ Work closely with the Parish Council
- ✓ Contribute to the good governance of the Borough
- ✓ Actively encourage residents' participation and involvement in decision making

**For *ACTION* not words  
VOTE CONSERVATIVE**



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# Conservatives

## Wargrave

Cockpole Green – Crazies Hill – Hare Hatch – Kiln Green

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## Your CONSERVATIVE Candidate



It has been an honour and a privilege to have been your Borough Councillor for the last nine months. I was elected in a by-election last July and now seek your support for the next four years. I stood because Wargrave is different and needs a strong local voice in far away Wokingham, lest it be forgotten or ignored. Village concerns are peculiar to the area and are not common with the rest of the Borough. We have had nine different Councillors in the last eleven years and I believe we need continuity. Wargrave is a beautiful and wonderful place to live, with a great community spirit. My Family and I have lived in Remenham for thirty years, prior to that in Henley and my three children went to local schools. I have had a connection with Wargrave ever since I was a fireman in Henley in my twenties.

*Theresa May, local MP and Home Secretary said,* "It has been a pleasure to work with John as a Borough Councillor as it has been as a Parish Council Chairman. His primary concern is the interests of the residents and in his brief time at the Borough, he has started to make a material difference. I hope you will continue to give John your support; I look forward to working with him over the next four years."



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