

For Remenham, Wargrave and Ruscombe



## A Fair Choice in Tough Times

These are difficult times across the whole country, and what has become clear over the last year is that the Conservatives are not working, nationally or locally.

Wokingham Council has consistently let voters down, showing a disregard for the wishes and welfare of residents.

Matthew thinks that it is high time for a change, and the clearest message that you could send the Tory council administration is a vote for him in the elections on May 3rd 2012.

## Say "No!" to Stealth Taxes

The last few months have seen the introduction by the council of a "stealth tax", by way of the new waste collection scheme.

The scheme will see residents forced to pay extra for a service that they pay their council tax for. This is not acceptable.

The change has been a disaster from start of finish. It has shown just how out of touch and incompetent our local government has become— and how desperately change is needed.



# Save Our Libraries!

Matthew believes that our libraries are at the core of our communities, and are essential for a vibrant today and tomorrow. The council's privatisation plans are a grave threat to those libraries.

When the residents of the borough signed a petition against the move, the council dismissed their views as nonsense. The council have demonstrated that they don't care.

"Privatisation puts the library service in peril," Matthew said. "A private company will want to make money, which risks cutting corners and a drop in quality. Added to that the fact that all of this has been done in secret, and without any consultation. The council urgently need to stop and rethink."



Matthew has been working hard over the last year to save and protect the library service

## The Co-operative Party

The Co-op Party is an organisation dedicated to principles of mutualism and co-operatives.

It believes that we can and will achieve more together than alone, and is committed to the pursuit of an equal and fair society and economy, by working together.

More information can be found at <http://party.coop>

## About Matthew

Matthew has lived in Wargrave for nearly five years, and has been campaigning for fairer politics in the area for the last few years.

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