



LIDL - now they want

an even BIGGER store

More than 12 months ago, LIDL got Planning Permission for a new store on the corner of BATH ROAD and WEST TOWN LANE despite strong opposition from local residents and shopkeepers.

Now they have put in a **THIRD** Planning Application for an even larger store with more car parking spaces.

Residents feared that the earlier set of plans would cause traffic chaos at this already severely overloaded junction.

Local councillors **Peter Main** and **Jackie Norman** oppose the new plans. **Peter** said, "Why can't Lidl be satisfied with what they've got? They appear to show no concern for the safety of local residents."



Phil to fight for Bristol East



Phil James has been chosen as prospective Liberal Democrat Parliamentary candidate for the General Election and future MP for Bristol East.

Phil is 47 and has a broad range of experience before coming into politics. He's lived, worked and studied in Europe and USA as well as Great Britain. He is relishing the task of competing with sitting tenant, Labour MP Jean Corston for the honour and privilege of representing the people of Bristol East at Westminster.

Phil said, "New Labour no longer works on behalf of ordinary people and has stopped listening to ordinary people. But the people still have one effective way of making politicians take notice, through the ballot box."



Season's Greetings To All Our Readers



Cycle track shock near new homes

People living in the new houses in LANES END were surprised when part of the railings at the end of their street were REMOVED.

Then signs went up which turned their footpath into a cycle track!

It seems that when plans for the new development were drawn up, the Council granted permission on condition there would be a new cycle track to join up with the existing network.

Unfortunately, nobody seems to have told people this when they bought their new homes. They're worried that the fairly narrow path will be unsafe for children if used by increasing numbers of cyclists - or even motorbikes.



Jackie is trying to find out exactly what was in the original plans - *and just why home buyers were not told about it.*

In brief...

LABOUR WRECKS 3-PARTY DEAL

Bristol's Labour Party have resigned from the all-Party Cabinet and have formed a minority Labour administration to run the City until the elections in May 2005.

Cllr Peter Main said, "The people of Bristol had started to see a real change for the better while all three Parties worked together. Labour put all that progress at risk, by pulling out at this crucial time. They are putting narrow Party reasons above the good of the City."

Lib Dem Councillors have vowed to hold Labour to account and will be seeking the support of people across Bristol.

*Cllr Peter Main is backing residents' calls for new play equipment to be installed on the green space in **HUNGERFORD GARDENS**.*

He said, "There are no play facilities on the Hungerford Estate. Children want a safe place to play that does not annoy local people."

*He is also pressing for the equipment in **ARNOS PARK** to be replaced after a plea by **HAMPSTEAD ROAD** residents.*

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