

This election is about choosing the best Councillor for Hoe Valley ward

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**Louise Morales:
Fighting for our area**



Woking Council election on Thursday 2nd May - photo ID needed to vote

LOUISE CHAMPIONED CHANGES TO COUNCIL PARKING POLICY



Louise Morales wants new developments to have enough space for parking.

Lib Dem Councillor Louise Morales has championed changes to Woking Borough Council's parking policy.

Throughout Kingfield, Westfield and Old Woking there has been a history of new builds with inadequate provision for car parking. As a result cars are parking on verges and pavements, regularly blocking in other residents. Residents with pushchairs and disabled buggies have to use the road to get around badly parked vehicles. This problem had been getting worse not better, as developers fitted in more housing with less and less parking provision.

That is why Lib Dem Louise Morales set about changing Woking Council's planning policy. Last year, the new parking policy that Louise had championed came into operation.

Councillor Louise Morales said, "I am delighted that Woking Council agreed to my suggestions. New developments need to have minimum parking standards. I am fighting for all new developments to follow the new parking policy, including a site in Priors Croft. I do not want new housing to add to this area's existing parking problems."

DEMAND BETTER THAN BREXIT

For nearly three years the Lib Dems have been fighting consistently for an exit from Brexit. They want the people, not the politicians, to have the final say on Theresa May's unpopular Brexit deal, with the option to stay in the European Union.

On 14th March, MPs voted on whether to give the people the final say on Brexit. Despite being the official opposition, over 200 Labour MPs failed to back a People's Vote.

On 23rd March, many Woking residents were amongst the million people who marched to Parliament Square to demand a People's Vote on the Brexit deal.

Lib Dem County Councillor Will Forster said, "Brexit is a national embarrassment and will be a disaster for Britain, whether it is delivered by Theresa May's Tories or Jeremy Corbyn's Labour Party. It will be bad for jobs, the environment, the economy and the NHS. The Lib Dems demand better for Britain."

Will Forster added, "Woking's MP, Jonathan Lord, should be representing the majority of local people that want to remain in the EU. Woking is a pro-European area, yet our MP is out of step with us on the major issue of our time."

Please vote Lib Dem on 2nd May to send a clear message about Brexit. This could be your last chance to vote before Brexit happens.

It's the Lib Dems or Conservatives here!

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WARD SURGERY

Lib Dem Borough Councillors for Hoe Valley, Louise Morales and Deborah Hughes have been meeting local residents every second Saturday at the Old Woking Community Centre between 10 and 11 am. If you have any Council issues please do visit and speak to us.

Louise Morales and Deborah Hughes have joined with many local residents to form the Hoe Valley Neighbourhood Forum, to influence the future of the Kingfield, Old Woking and Westfield area. This is open to all residents in the ward. Please join or look at the website: www.hoevalleynf.org.uk.

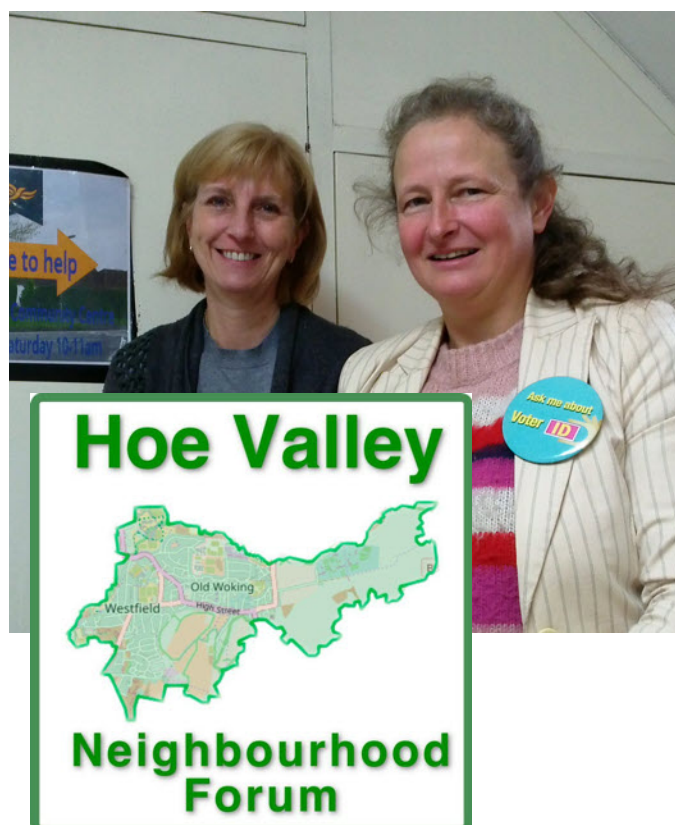


PHOTO ID TO VOTE



Last year was the first time when Woking residents were asked to provide photo ID in order to vote.

Whereas this caused no problem for the vast majority of voters, Councillor Louise Morales identified many problems with the system for people who did not have the required ID. Many of the points she raised have been taken up by Woking Borough Council who have now produced an easier process with simplified forms to apply for the local elector card.

Louise Morales added, "If you have not got a photo ID please do call the Council on 01483 755855 or apply on the website www.woking.gov.uk/voterID to get your local elector card now and ensure that YOU get a say in the local elections on 2nd May."

What we're fighting for in Hoe Valley ward

✓ Transport and parking

Louise Morales and Lib Dems want to freeze car parking charges to attract shoppers and support local businesses. We will seek to find sites for "Park and Ride" or "Park and Stride". We will work with the County Council to try to get more local and cheaper bus services. We will make cycling safer by investing in cycle lanes.

✓ Homes that meet local needs

Louise Morales and the Lib Dems will limit future new buildings in the town centre to 15 storeys. Woking Council is failing to meet its target of building 102 new affordable homes a year. As a result around 150 families are in B&Bs and temporary accommodation, some in Slough. The Lib Dems will house these families properly.

✓ Protecting the local environment

Louise Morales and the Lib Dems will make it easier for you to recycle. We got the Council to introduce on-the-spot fines for litter dropping. We will encourage local businesses to go plastic free, look at better ways to re-use or dispose of bulky waste and plant more wild flowers on Council land.

It's Louise Morales or the Conservatives here

Local champion Louise Morales

- ✓ Louise Morales has a proven track record for our area. Louise was first elected as a Councillor for Old Woking and she has represented Hoe Valley on the Council since 2016.
- ✓ Louise Morales strongly supports the local community. She is a trustee of the Old Woking Community Centre, was one of the founding members of the South Woking Fun Day and volunteers at the local youth club.
- ✓ Louise Morales is part of the strong Lib Dem team in Hoe Valley. They keep in touch with and help local people all year round.

OR

Tory Brexit mess and service cuts

- ✗ The Conservatives have made a complete mess of Brexit. They have damaged our economy and caused uncertainty for Europeans living in the UK.
- ✗ Conservative-run Surrey County Council is closing 5 out of 7 Children's Centres in Woking. Yet Council Tax is going up above inflation.
- ✗ The Conservatives are in Government, and run Surrey County Council, Surrey Police and Woking Borough Council. We need a change from Tory dominance.

**LIB
DEM
1096**

**CON
739**

**LAB
312**

Hoe Valley ward election in 2018.

Labour are out of the race in Hoe Valley. Last time, they finished a poor third. Only the Lib Dems can beat the Tories.

It's so close here!