



Tannia SHIPLEY



ELECT HER ON 7th May 2015

A Message from Tannia

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Dear Resident

It has been a great privilege to represent you for the past sixteen years. Weston Green has a strong sense of community, and residents enjoy living in an area of special character which needs to be safeguarded. I have striven to nurture and protect it, ensuring that our commons and ponds are cared for, and that development is in keeping with its surroundings. I have also worked hard to maintain high-quality services particularly for the more vulnerable members of our community. I have come to know many of you personally and it is this contact with residents that has given me particular pleasure.

The last sixteen years has strengthened my belief that party politics should play no part in local government. Residents' Councillors are free to speak and vote on any issue without the imposition of a party whip. Being independent removes the constraints of party politics – we represent the residents without the tensions of national party politics. There is no ideology and no doctrine, except that of common sense and sound judgement. I believe that this is the most effective way to get the best results for the community as a whole.

Former news broadcaster and Independent MP Martin Bell once said that independent local candidates stand for office, "not for what they can get out of it but for what they can put into it".

If you agree that national political parties should not dominate local government then I hope that, whichever way you vote in the General Election, you will give me your support on the Thursday 7th May. Each and every vote will count.

Thank you.

Tannia Shipley.

Thames Ditton and
Weston Green Residents' Association
is about **LOCAL ISSUES** and **ACTION**.
Why you should vote for an independent candidate:

TANNIA SHIPLEY



TANNIA SHIPLEY has been your indefatigable councillor for the past 16 years and has lived in Weston Green since 1986. She is married with two grown-up daughters.

She has served on Planning, Licensing, Environmental Services and Community Affairs Scrutiny Committees. She is a Trustee of the Elmbridge Trust for Older People, the Chairman of the Elmbridge Older Person's Advisory Body, a Trustee of Walsingham Care and a member of CHEER (Concern and Help for East Elmbridge Retired). She is also a Trustee and Chairman of the R C Sherriff Trust.

Tannia set up the Lower Green Neighbourhood Watch some 25 years ago and continues to take a keen interest in police matters.

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**Trust in the main political parties has reached a new low.
Whichever way you vote nationally in the General Election
on Thursday 7th May, in Elmbridge, your independent
Residents' Association candidate is a successful alternative.**

WHY YOU SHOULD VOTE FOR A RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION CANDIDATE

Party politics and Town Halls should not mix. It wastes time, talent and your money.

The Residents' Association has fought since 1934 to protect and enhance Weston Green's character and amenities. The Association is for local residents - every one of them.

Unlike the political parties, we keep in contact with you through bi-monthly open meetings, social events and delivering the **"Thames Ditton Today"** magazine to EVERY home in Weston Green, and through our very active **www.residents-association.com** website.

Your Residents' Association Councillors work hard to achieve a better environment.

● **GREEN BELT AND OPEN SPACES.**

Residents Association councillors are consistent in the fight to protect our Green Belt and playing fields - unlike the political parties who all too often vote for building on school playing fields and in the Green Belt.

● **PLANNING.**

We will continue to support residents' objections to over-development and un-neighbourly extensions.

● **HIGHWAYS.**

Potholes, poor roads, streetlights that don't work are a disgrace. Surrey County Council has failed in this area and we continue to work with our Residents' Association Surrey County Councillor to improve the service.

We continue to monitor the complex flooding problems at Esher Station.

● **CAR PARKING.**

Initiated the solution to excessive commuter parking on the road across Ditton Common, enabling safer thoroughfare.

● **COMMUNITY.**

RA councillors worked with Thames Ditton Hospital Friends to provide echocardiograph, ultrasound and ENT equipment for NHS patients at Emberbrook.

Played a major role in running the Vera Fletcher Hall, providing a much needed community/arts focus, compared with Elmbridge Conservatives who have closed public halls and reduced funding for the arts.

● **ENVIRONMENT.**

Continued monitoring/maintenance of Ditton Common.

Commissioned a Hydrogeological Study for the restoration of Milbourne Pond, and subsequently installed a borehole to provide top-up water for the pond.

Worked with council officers and police to end the travellers' incursions on Common Land, and are currently working on measures to prevent further incursions.

Tannia Shipley is concerned with the future of Weston Green

NOT PARTY POLITICS

For Weston Green VOTE Tannia Shipley

