



Chris Harmer



About Chris Harmer... your Green Party candidate for the Nailsworth and Horsley ward

I come from a local family, and live at my childhood home at Rockness Hill, between Nailsworth and Horsley. I live in our ward, unlike the Conservative candidate who lives at Randwick. Like my father, I attended Marling School, followed by a career in engineering and have recently retired. Through my involvement with local environmental organisations, I have worked with all three tiers of Local Authorities, and am currently Vice-Chair of Horsley Parish Council.

My interest in green ideas began when I did my degree. I joined the Green Party in 1988, inspired by a desire for social justice and concern about the destruction of the environment.

My hobbies include gardening and growing vegetables, amateur radio, and I also enjoy history, music and flowers. I am married to Pam, who is a sculptor.

As your District Councillor I would bring experience and local awareness, and because I have taken early retirement I can give the time that this role requires.



YOUR PLANET NEEDS YOU!

- (Tick if you would like to get more involved)
- I could deliver leaflets, display a poster, or help in some other way.
- I would like to make a donation
- I would like to talk to someone to learn more about the Green Party.

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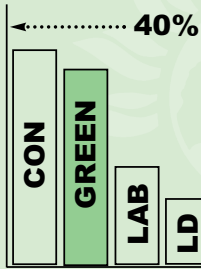
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Message to previous Labour and Lib Dem voters

Labour and Lib Dem supporters: what do you want to achieve?

You can see the combined results for the past four years in this ward in the chart. The Green candidate has been consistently less than 100 votes behind the Tories, with the Labour and Lib Dem candidates polling less than half the Tory vote.



So if your aim is to get rid of the Tory administration at Ebley Mill, your ONLY option in this Ward is to vote Green.

The Green Party has a great chance of winning this seat. If you're unhappy with the current administration, there is only one real alternative. Vote Green. Vote Chris Harmer on May 3rd.

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District Council Election Communication from the Green Party

FOR REAL PROGRESS: vote CHRIS HARMER

Vote for Chris Harmer



in the Nailsworth and Horsley ward

Thursday MAY 3rd.



Dear Voter,

I am standing for the Nailsworth ward of Stroud District Council because I want to take a more active role in the community, and because I feel that Nailsworth and Horsley are not being well served by the existing Conservative councillors. Because of my local roots, I am aware of the challenges that Nailsworth and Horsley face now, and I am also aware of how this area has changed over the years.

I feel strongly about a number of local issues, particularly the following:

- ✓ I believe that Nailsworth and Horsley should have more control over their own affairs.
- ✓ First of all, we deserve a greater share of our Council Tax being spent in our communities, both on young people and the elderly, and on more help in support of projects such as the Nailsworth Festival, the Nailsworth Subscription Rooms and the Horsley Village Pavilion.
- ✓ Secondly, we need more local control over planning consents. Over the past few years, I have been appalled at some of the planning decisions taken by the Tories currently in the majority in Ebley Mill. A much more targeted approach is required to provide the kind of development that local people and our parish and town councils actually want. For example, we need affordable housing in keeping with our town and its setting.
- ✓ I am particularly concerned about the need to improve local facilities in Forest Green. There is a real need to regenerate the Forest Green play areas and adequately fund the Community Centre project.
- ✓ Through Horsley Parish Council, I am involved in the Village Pavilion project, and I have an active interest in the proposed redevelopment of Nailsworth Town Centre.
- ✓ Over the years, we have lost much of our manufacturing industry. I want to see the District Council do much more to attract real jobs back to Nailsworth.
- ✓ More widely, we need the long-promised public transport interchange in Stroud, and we need enhancement and strong protection for our green spaces and our industrial heritage. We also need to look for more open public space provision.

"It is not healthy for Nailsworth to have all of its councillors from just one party (the Conservatives). We need diversity. I know that Chris would fulfil the role very well because of his experience as a councillor."
— John Nicholson, Town Councillor and ex-Mayor of Nailsworth.

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*See the back page for an important message to Labour and Liberal Democrat voters.



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