



Martin Whiteside



Green Party

About Martin Whiteside ...your Green Party candidate for Thrupp

I live in Claypits Lane, Thrupp. I love living here and am committed to keeping this a wonderful area to live in. I work from home as a self-employed development consultant, advising aid agencies like Oxfam and the Government's aid programme on the most effective way to bring real benefit to poor people. My three children went to Thrupp Primary School and my wife works at Stroud College.

I am a Green because I believe we have to live in balance with nature – I want to build a better future for all our children, and to do this without destroying the planet. The Green Party has realistic plans for more local jobs, for warmer, cheaper-to-heat houses, better public transport, more local democracy and stronger local communities.

At the District Level, I serve on the Council's Scrutiny Committee – trying to ensure the Council actually does what it says it going to do. I have been instrumental in making sure the Council's environmental strategy is more than good intentions. We have to do much more to actually reduce waste, increase recycling, improve planning and make housing more affordable.

As well as being your District Councillor, I am also the Green Party Parliamentary Spokesman for Stroud.

Vote for me if you want action, not words!



Visit our website for more about the many local issues that Martin is involved with: www.glosgreenparty.org.uk



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 – to create real progress.
- I would like to talk to someone to learn more about the Green Party.

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FOR REAL PROGRESS: vote MARTIN WHITESIDE

Vote for Martin Whiteside

in the Thrupp Ward

Thursday MAY 3rd.



Dear Voter,

I live in Thrupp and I have been your District Councillor for the last five years. In this time, I have worked very hard to represent the diverse wishes of everyone who lives in the ward – which includes Thrupp, part of Bourne, part of Brimscombe, Butterrow and Bownham.

- ✓ I have worked with many individuals on their planning and housing needs
- ✓ I work constructively with both Thrupp and Rodborough Parish Councils
- ✓ I chair the Thrupp Parish Council Canal Committee, which has been trying to ensure that canal regeneration meets the needs of the local community
- ✓ I am working to get a new heart for our community in a regenerated Brimscombe Port, with community space, affordable housing, jobs and environmental benefits
- ✓ I oppose (successfully so far) the building of 48 houses on a greenfield site in Brimscombe (Hill Farm);
- ✓ I led the opposition to the incorporation of Thrupp into the 'Stroud Urban Area', which puts the green fields dividing our communities at risk and makes it more difficult to achieve affordable housing on smaller sites;
- ✓ I continue to defend the importance of manufacturing jobs along the valley floor
- ✓ I am pushing for 20 mph limits along many of our lanes, outside schools and for crossings for schoolchildren on London Road
- ✓ I opposed inappropriate massive redevelopment of the Aston Down Airfield site, which would have serious traffic implications along London Road and across the commons
- ✓ and much more...

Vote for me if you want to continue to be represented by someone who really cares about our community, someone with a clear vision about what is needed and someone able 'to get things done'.

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Martin Whiteside – I look forward to hearing from you.



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