

Phoenix Ward FOCUS

LIBERAL DEMOCRATS

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Save Our Recycling Centre!

The Tory run County Council are planning on closing the Household Waste and Recycling Centre in Gedling from April of this year. It is part of a package of £29 million pounds worth of cuts.

The Council claim that they are running too many Recycling Centres and that the Centre at Gedling is "poorly utilised." Bizarrely the Gedling Centre generates more tonnage of waste than any other Centre in the County.

FOCUS Team Editor **Andrew Ellwood** stated "If the Centre at Gedling closes there will be more fly tipping in the local area.- costing the Borough Council more to clear up. Local residents in Carlton and Gedling will be faced with a 12 mile round trip to the last remaining Recycling Centre in the Borough at Calverton.



Above: Andrew & other Lib Dem Councillors at Gedling Recycling Centre.



Sign our Petition

The FOCUS Team have launched a petition to try and persuade the County Council to re-consider their proposal to close the Recycling Centre at Gedling. We have already collected 500 signatures. If you want to 'sign' our petition on-line why not go to our website at :

www.gedlinglibdems.org.uk

Left: Andrew collects signatures at the Recycling centre

Is your Council service under threat from the Tories?- check our website for more details

Liberal Democrats: Working Hard All Year Round

TORY U-TURN ON ROAD GRITTING

As we go to press the Tory County Council have announced that plans to cut their budget for road gritting have been shelved. Local **Lib Dem Councillor Andrew Ellwood** stated "I formally objected to the planned cuts in gritting budgets and I'm pleased that the council has now seen sense."

Many local residents have complained to us that grit bins that were emptied before Christmas were never re-filled. Before the County Council dealt with the grit bins they were filled by Gedling Council who tended to re-fill the grit bins more often.

How to contact us



To contact your **Lib Dem FOCUS Team** use the slip below or phone us on **0115 859 9168** or email: **andrewmellwood@yahoo.co.uk**

Lib Dem FairTax Proposals



Left: Lib Dem Treasury Spokesperson Vince Cable

We will abolish Council Tax. This tax, invented by the Tories to replace the hated poll tax, is unfair and needs urgent reform. The Labour Party have dithered about this for years and refused to do anything about it.

We will raise the income tax threshold. We will take those who earn less than £10,000 out of income tax altogether. Millions of people will be better off. People on the minimum wage or state pensions will pay no tax.

The super rich will have to pay tax just like everyone else. By closing loopholes on Capital Gains Tax and offshore trusts everyone else will pay less.

The Liberal Democrats are the only party who will make tax fairer. The Conservatives are not interested in making life fairer for ordinary people. Their main tax proposals benefit dead millionaires.

And the Labour Party have had 12 years to reform tax to make things better for ordinary people. They have failed. Their main contribution in recent years has been to abolish the 10p tax rate - making many Gedling people worse off!

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