

Your Hillside Ward Councillor Report



Cllr Dan Holden
Your Hillside ward councillor

Dear Neighbour,

It's been over two years since I was re-elected as your Conservative councillor on Merton Borough Council. I have been your councillor for over 10 years.

A lot has changed in national politics since then, with a new government elected in the summer, but I've remained focused on the issues that matter locally. Over the last year, I have helped hundreds of local residents with their concerns and queries. This has included dealing with housing association issues, fly tipping, flooding, parking and transport, inappropriate planning applications as well as complex special educational needs and school placements. I can't always work miracles, but I will always do my best to help.

Our area remains a very special part of Wimbledon - a great place to live, work and raise a family. However, I am concerned by the recurring and nearly constant level of roadworks we've had to endure this last year. In particular, the Thames Water works on Worple Road/ Wimbledon Hill Road and the Network Rail/Thames Water/Council works on Lower Downs Road. I have asked the council to pressure these companies, both in terms of the speed and the quality of the work. In response, the council are due to bring in a "lane rental scheme" on these companies.

In addition, I am concerned about the Labour-run Council's new Local Plan. It allows for massive tower blocks to be built in Wimbledon Town Centre. I have consistently opposed this "Croydonisation" of Wimbledon and I voted against the local plan. I will continue to campaign on this.

I am very proud to serve as your local councillor. Please do get in touch with me using the contact details below if there is anything I can help with, or if there are events you would like me to attend.

Best wishes,

Dan Holden

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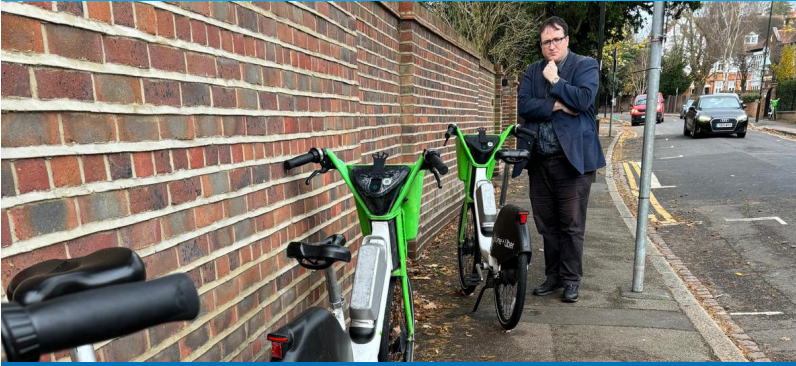
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Cllr Dan Holden: A Record of Action



Lobbying Council on Lime Bikes

Lime Bikes have become a local and London-wide issue. Too many are being dumped or parked inconsiderately, blocking pavements and making it difficult for people to get past. I have lobbied the council to take action and the cabinet member has agreed to sort out the problem with Lime Bikes and start creating dedicated bays for these bikes. The first two of these have now been completed on Edge Hill.



Wimbledon Hill Project Now Complete!

My Wimbledon Hill project is now complete, a project where I improved the streetscape on Wimbledon Hill, with new benches, litter bins, better paving, lighting, trees, flower planting and narrowed junctions at Belvedere Drive and Woodside. This has made it nicer to walk up the hill and gives pedestrians priority at the junctions.



EV charging points completion

I said I would arrange for the rollout of EV charging points across Hillside, and over the last year these have now been installed across the area. They are proving popular and helpful to car owners on roads with no off-street parking to switch to cleaner electric vehicles. I have lobbied the council for more and have worked on the council's electric vehicle task group, where I suggested new ideas to the council to adopt.



Parking enforcement issues

I have received complaints throughout the year on overzealous parking enforcement by the council's parking wardens. I have helped residents get out of unfairly issued parking fines, such as in the Lake/Ricards Road school zone, and on Raymond & Alexandra roads. I've asked the council to investigate and fix why residents are getting fined despite having valid tickets paid for via RingGo when visiting Raynes Park shops.

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