

# newsline



**WHO HAS WORKED HARDEST FOR YOUR VOTE?**



**TOWN HALL DIRECTOR COSTS HIT £1.4 MILLION!**

# LABOUR: BUILD 974 HOUSES AT SAUGHALL MASSIE!

*- Shock at secret Town Hall Cabinet papers*

**Green Belt between Saughall Massie, Greasby and Meols is listed in leaked Town Hall papers showing Labour Councillors 'accept' the area as suitable for up to 974 houses.**

A secret Cabinet meeting was held with senior directors on 12 November and another meeting a week later.

The papers reveal the 10 Labour Councillors were asked to 'accept' or 'reject' building on 50 of Wirral's Green Belt sites.

The papers from the meeting reveal that they 'accepted' building on five Green Belt sites in Moreton and Saughall Massie. A Town Hall investigation is underway to find the source of the leaked report.

Councillor Steve Williams, who led the successful campaign to stop building on Green Belt at the former Garden Hey Nurseries, said: "This leak shows the Cabinet was considering sites before the outcome of the Local Plan consultation and without any technical evidence whatsoever.

"They have jeopardised the whole process of coming up with a Local Plan and also revealed what their true intentions are. Building on the Green Belt is Labour's first choice, not the last resort that they promised."



## COMING SOON: 'MILITANT TAKEOVER' OF WIRRAL COUNCIL?

**1.** Councillor Phil Davies steps down...

The Leader of Wirral's Labour Councillors steps down in May. Labour Councillors will decide who replaces him. The influx of recently-elected Labour councillors are 'hard left' Socialists and Marxists.

**2.** Labour has a majority of just two seats...

Because of growing influence of the hard-left in the Labour Group, four 'moderate' Labour Councillors have quit. Labour's majority in the Town Hall is now down to just two seats over all the other parties.

**3.** A Militant-style Council won't work...

The last time the hard left ran the Council, investors were scared off, jobs were lost and taxes went up. Local services declined and the people who suffered the most were those who relied on the Council.

**4.** That's why this election is different...

If, as expected, the hard-left take control of the Labour Group, your vote can stop them taking control of the Council, your local services and taxes. If Labour loses just two seats, they won't have full control.

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## Steve Williams and the team are working on:

### SUPPORTING SHOPS AND SMALL TRADERS:

Our local shops and small traders are the heart of our community. We are keen to help them grow and thrive, and to adapt as shopping patterns change, especially with more being bought online. Nationally, around a third of shops and small businesses have had their Business Rates cut. In Moreton, we opposed the enforcement of parking at Home Bargains, but were outvoted by Labour but we did manage to kill off their plan for parking charges elsewhere in the Town.

### BETTER PARKS & PLAY AREAS FOR CHILDREN:

Good quality parks and play areas are really important for any community. Too many of our parks and play areas are outdated and neglected. Steve recently undertook a survey to see what people wanted and how a new, £13 million Government fund could help. Tell us your views online:

[www.wirralconservatives.com/parks](http://www.wirralconservatives.com/parks)

### FASTER REPAIRS TO STREET LIGHTING:

At every election, for the last three years, Labour has promised to replace street lights. Instead, more and more are becoming faulty. Following £4.6 million from the Government, a contract for new LED lights in residential roads is advertised from next month. Steve, Chris and Bruce will be pushing for the programme of works to include Moreton and Saughall Massie as a priority.

### STOPPING LABOUR'S DOG BAN PLAN:

Labour's Dog Ban Plan will punish the many, because of the actions of the few. It also won't tackle the problem of dog fouling in residential roads, near schools or shops. Steve opposes the ban and wants a Wirral-wide plan to tackle the minority of owners who don't pick up. Most owners are responsible, but Labour's plan hits them as well.

**"We only hear from Labour at election time. We hear from Steve, Chris and Bruce ALL the time!"**



# TOWN HALL DIRECTORS COST £1.4 MILLION

A report in the Wirral Globe ('Council Chiefs in the Money', 10 April 2019) revealed that a Town Hall director had cost the 'cash strapped' Labour Council a staggering £569,423.

The top seven directors, in total, cost the Council £1.4 million a year, four of whom are listed here.

The costs were revealed by the Taxpayers' Alliance and put Wirral as the second highest paying council in the whole country.

Wirral's Conservative Councillors opposed the payments but were outvoted by Labour Councillors.

Cllr. Steve Williams said: "We should stop recruiting directors and consultants on such massive salaries. At the same time, the costs of the top Directors should be included in the information issued with Council Tax



Managing Director for Delivery



Chief Executive



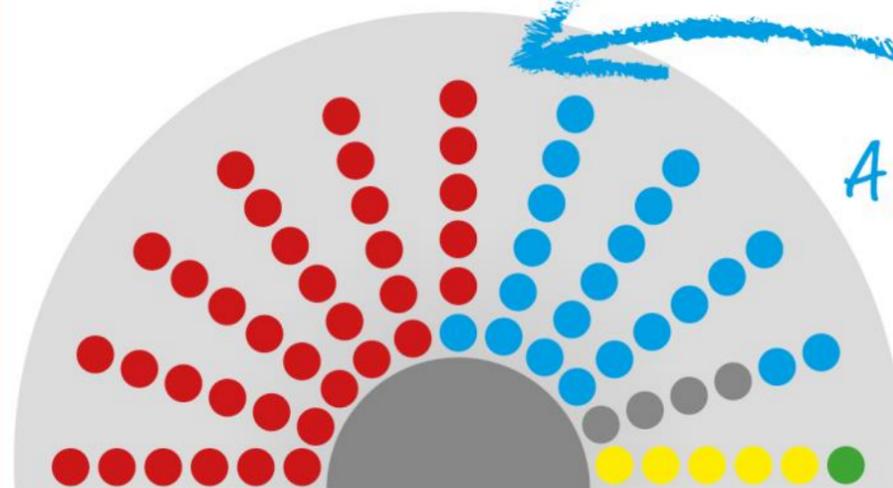
Director for Strategy & Partnerships



Director of Transformation

## The current state of play in Wirral is:

**Lab 35**  
**Con 21**  
**LD 5**  
**Ind 4**  
**Grn 1**



*A party needs 34 seats to run the council.*

**If Labour loses just two seats to the other parties, it will stop Wirral having a Militant-style council**

**That means all the parties will have to work together, for the good of the Borough**

**By voting for STEVE WILLIAMS as your local councillor, you can achieve real change**

**YOUR SEAT AND YOUR VOTE MATTERS**

**BY VOTING CONSERVATIVE YOUR VOTE CAN ACHIEVE REAL CHANGE**



# “WE’RE BACKING STEVE WILLIAMS FOR COUNCIL THIS TIME!”

**In our last newsletter, local people explained why they were voting for Steve Williams, even if they vote for other parties at a General Election.**

Since then, more people have been in touch. While some have concerns about what is happening nationally they have said, locally, they will be backing Steve, Chris and Bruce.

Thanks to everyone who has pledged their support. If you’d like to pledge your vote for Steve, visit [wirralconservatives.com/pledge](http://wirralconservatives.com/pledge)

## The ex-Labour Member:

“I’m 65 years old and have voted Labour all of my life both locally and nationally. I’ve also been a proud card carrying member of this party for a long time, that is, until recently.

“I am a Labour voter whose only reliable and consistent support at Council level has come from the local Conservatives.”

- Lorraine Krimou  
Children’s Nursery Manager

## The ex-UKIP candidate:

“Like many people, I am disgusted by the behaviour of MPs, on all sides. That’s why, when you have someone who does what they say they will do, it’s important to hang on to them!”

“I like the way Steve Williams isn’t afraid to speak up for his community, even if the people in charge of the Council don’t like to hear it. We need more people who speak out.”

- Debbie Caplin  
Former UKIP candidate

A record of local action...

**FROM THE DAY YOU ELECTED US, WE HAVE BEEN WORKING ON LOCAL ISSUES IN OUR COMMUNITY, SUCH AS:**

Working with residents who are unhappy with the size of the new ‘care facility’ on the site of the former Girtrell Court

**Tackling fly tipping at Carr Lane and Moreton Shore but with more still to do**

Arranging for a clean up of the land near the steps at Bramble Way to Moreton Station

**Instigated speed surveys on Bemuda Road and Wastdale Drive with results out soon.**

Worked with traders to ensure the new planters around Moreton Cross are maintained (special thanks to Carr Farm and Veronica’s!)

**Kingdom trade waste fines refunded and scrapped for small businesses and shops**

Environment Day saw a big clean up in Lingham with lots of residents taking part

...and the promise of more!

**WITH YOUR VOTE ON 2nd MAY, WE WILL:**

Fight to retain a Youth Club for young people in Moreton

**Push for better bus services in Moreton and Saughall Massie, such as Lingham and Kingfisher Way areas**

Work with police on parking issues around Lingham and Christchurch Primary schools

**Oppose building on our Green Belt and will push for more homes on Brownfield sites instead.**

Vote against unreasonable rises in your Council Tax and oppose the new Metro Mayor Tax

**Work with parents and children to seek improvements to our local parks and play areas**

## WHO’S REALLY ON YOUR SIDE?

### IN APRIL, CONSERVATIVES ARE:

- ✓ Raising the National Living Wage to £8.21 an hour - the highest ever.
- ✓ Increasing the amount you can earn before paying Income Tax to £12,500.
- ✓ Giving small retailers extra help by reducing their Business Rates by 33%.
- ✓ Extending support and help for people who want to start their own business
- ✓ Raising Access to Work grants by £2,000 to help more disabled people get jobs.

### IN APRIL, LABOUR IS:

- Increasing your Council Tax to the highest-ever level.
- Spending a record amount of your money on consultants.
- Introducing the new ‘Metro Mayor Tax’ on every home.
- Spending £7 million to buy a cinema in Birkenhead
- Hoping you’ll let them hang on to power on May 2nd

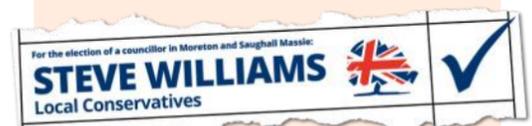
## THE BEST LOCAL TEAM FOR MORETON AND SAUGHALL MASSIE...

**Steve Williams, Chris Blakeley and Bruce Berry work as a team, to get the best we can for our community.**

That’s because we don’t waste time on petty political squabbling or trying to score points against each other.

### Our values can be seen in the choices we make:

- ✓ We’re not afraid to challenge our own Party, or any other, when we think they’re wrong.
- ✓ We work hard to support local organisations and community groups.
- ✓ We are accessible and visible across the community.
- ✓ We act with integrity and honesty. We don’t make promises we can’t keep.
- ✓ We consult local residents on important issues, such as our recent survey on parks and children’s play areas.
- ✓ We will always put the interests of Moreton and Saughall Massie first.



# USE YOUR VOTE TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE:

For the first time in years Wirral voters have real power to make a difference. The election on May 2nd won't change your MP or the Government but it will decide which way Wirral goes next.

With the Labour Leader stepping down, there is every possibility that the Labour Councillors after May will be led by a Militant, hard-left successor.

Local Conservative Councillors will fight for a Local Plan to protect our green belt, at the same time as directing investment into the areas that need it.

We also need to get a grip on the salaries paid to those at the top along with the army of private management consultants that Labour has employed.

This, as well as scrapping the failing Wirral View newspaper, will release council tax payers' money for things like street light repairs, fixing our pot holes and road safety around schools.

Other policies include supporting businesses to invest in Wirral to create new jobs and apprenticeships. We'll also support shops by cutting business rates and ending damaging rises in car parking charges.

# our plan for WIRRAL

- 1 Save Wirral's Green Belt
- 2 Exposing Council waste
- 3 Protecting our coast
- 4 Growing our economy
- 5 Improving animal welfare
- 6 Better Council services

**Vote for your local Conservatives on Thursday 2nd May**



Steve Williams, who is seen here with former UKIP candidate Debbie Caplin, at the Youth Club. Both Steve and Debbie attended the Youth Club (albeit a few years ago!).

## TOWN HALL PLAN TO DEMOLISH MORETON YOUTH CLUB QUESTIONED

**One of the plans by the Town Hall's new 'Growth Company' is to build houses on the Pasture Road site which is gradually being 'cleared' in preparation.**

Now, it's been revealed that the plans for the site, while building a new library, do not include building a new Youth Club. The existing building will be demolished.

Labour is concentrating youth facilities at their 'Hive' in Birkenhead's Charing Cross but how many young people from Moreton can travel there safely?

## Spot the difference?

### Pasture Road, Moreton

*This side of the road has three Labour Councillors:*

*This side of the road has three local Conservative Councillors:*

**179 issues and requests for action in Leasowe & Moreton raised by Labour in 2018**

**226 issues and requests for action in Moreton & Saughall Massie raised by Steve, Chris and Bruce**