



Brympton



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From District Councillors **John Richardson** and **Peter Seib**

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200 JOB POTENTIAL - FACTORY RECYCLED

- Eyesore becomes “Europes greenest laundry”
- Councillor welcomes £7m investment in Yeovil

SSDC ward councillor Peter Seib went to Ross-on-Wye to persuade the family running **Paragon** Laundry to invest here, in Brympton.

“Creating jobs relieves the misery of unemployment and drives the economy forward. Throughout the downturn, I made sure that SSDC was supporting start-ups and helping existing business to grow ... but these are both slow ways to create new jobs so we set up **Into Somerset** to find successful

businesses like Paragon wanting to re-locate.

Paragon will start operating this summer with around 80 jobs including operators, engineers, drivers, sales staff and management. With a capacity of up to 600,000 items a week, the laundry will service hotels from Peington to Pool and from Bristol to Andover. Next year the second phase will introduce their prestige brands to service “boutique” hotels.



Cllr Seib checks out the factory plans with Paragon’s MD’s David and Robert Stevens

Crossings: the struggle continues



Cllr Richardson near the Airfield Tavern

Even back in 2007, congestion and the provision of safe crossings were key issues, especially for Houndstone and Alvington. Traffic was expected to grow significantly with extra housing allocated at Lufton and Brimsmore.

Councillor John Richardson explains “initially we managed to get the County Council on board, and they drew up plans to cope. Encouraging walking and cycling is part of those plans, as is increasing the capacity of the roads. We thought we had secured the

crossings through Planning Obligations on the Key Site at Lufton. Unfortunately 2008 saw the credit crunch stop that project and despite an application being before the Council now, we fear it will still be some time before development commences.”

Other parts of the programme have been completed, such as the new off-road route running north of the airfield. “The route is well used and it has been designed to be safe for children, older people and others who want to avoid the main roads.”

YES!

**TO
FAIRER
VOTES**

... but why AV?

It's no secret that LibDem policy calls for proportional representation, so why support AV?

The Electoral Reform Society has long argued that "AV is the best system when you're out to elect a single winner". It is a logical step forward from FPTP as it retains the MP to constituency link.

AV will mean an end to the negative campaigning which often puts people off politics: To reach more than 50%, you need to collect second preference votes from your opponent's supporters, so attacking their candidate is unwise. Likewise extreme or divisive policies will not help gather the "broad church" of support needed.

There will no "safe" seats under AV. Sitting MPs will have to continually work to understand what their constituents want and to develop policies which appeal to the majority, not just their party supporters.

With AV, equalised constituencies and the power to recall MPs, politics will be something worth engaging with, rather than something to ridicule.

The YES campaign has cross-party support. For more details see www.yestofairervotes.org or www.electoral-reform.org.uk



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