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## St Catherine's Place development

Just before we went to press, a planning committee of Bristol City Councilors voted in favour of the application for the redevelopment of St Catherine's Place, which has caused much concern amongst residents on Windmill Hill.

This was despite the Council Officers recommending the application be refused. Speaking after the decision, Andrew commented: "I'm disappointed the scheme was not refused considering the scale of the development and the lack of any prospect for affordable housing within it."

"I'm also particularly disappointed

by the vocal support of the local Green Party Parliamentary Candidate for the proposal as well as the local Green and Labour Councilors.

"Whilst the area needs drastic redevelopment, I do not subscribe to the "something is better than nothing" approach of some of the committee members.

"With the economy now improving, better plans that address the concerns raised should be possible, rather than hoping that affordable housing could be included in later phases - something which Council Officials advised was unlikely."

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## Windmill Hill resident chosen as Lib Dem Parliamentary Candidate



Local Liberal Democrats have selected Mark Wright to stand as candidate for Bristol South in next year's general election.

Mark is a city councillor for Cabot Ward and previously stood for Parliament in 2010, reducing the Labour majority to just 4,735 - less than half that of 2005. He was born and brought up in Hartcliffe and lives in Windmill Hill with his wife.

Commenting, Mark said " I feel very proud to have been chosen again to contest Bristol South. Our area has not been able to fulfil its potential in many ways; so over the coming months and years I will continue to raise issues and campaign on causes that will help release that potential. The south Bristol cause is personal for me, and I'm in it for the long haul – as I said back in 2007 when I was first selected for this role."

Andrew Brown, the Liberal Democrat candidate in Windmill Hill in the local elections, commented: "Mark has always impressed me with both his commitment and his ability to connect with people of every background. **As both a councillor and a parliamentary candidate, he is committed to building a fairer society where individuals have the liberty they need to get on in life.**

"I look forward to campaigning alongside him in next year's elections."

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