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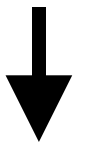
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Fortnightly brown bins are coming!

LOCAL residents have been in touch to say they are confused about the brown bins.

THEY were told in FOCUS that fortnightly brown bin collections were coming back in June, then the council delivered a calendar showing the brown bin collections monthly for the next year.

THE explanation is very simple. The calendars were printed in January. In April, at the end of the Council year, a new calendar has to be distributed.

ARRANGEMENTS for the new fortnightly brown bin collections and other improvements to the service are still being finalised, and new calendars cannot be printed yet. They will be printed asap, probably in May, and you will get

details of the new arrangements then.

ONE further thing. The Lib Dems have worked hard and negotiated for 2 years to sort out this new waste contract, which improves the service and saves you £1.7 million.

THIS cost saving is just one of the many we have achieved over the last 4 years. That is why we haven't had to slash services and lay off lots of staff.

IT IS therefore somewhat galling to see the Conservatives claiming credit for this work in their leaflets saying they will reinstate fortnightly brown bin collections.

TOO late guys, we've already done it.



The first Tory bus cuts bite

LOCAL RESIDENTS are furious. The 12A evening service from the bus station to Camp Hill is ceasing on 8 May.

BECAUSE the No 12 bus stops at 6.45pm, nurses at the hospital whose shifts end at 7pm can't get home. Catching a bus to Briar Hill isn't a safe option, with the choice of crossing a dangerous road or walking through a dark underpass.

THE only hope is a new service, a number 42 which goes from the bus station to Tesco via Briar Hill. This service ceases at 6.17pm but the bus officer is trying to negotiate a later finish time for this service.

CHECK my website for updates.



Clinical waste in black bins - this is an affront to the vulnerable

EVERY WEEK the borough council collects clinical waste for the county council. Clinical waste includes infectious material.

THE Conservative county council has now cut this service. This means that this waste now has to go into black wheelie bins or black sacks.

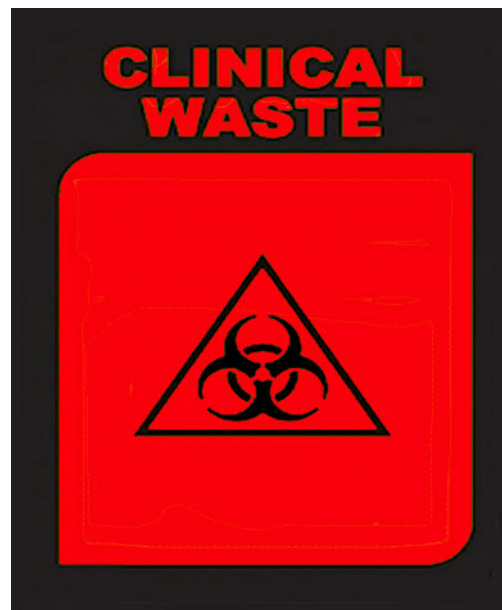
THIS Tory cut has horrified users of the clinical waste service.

A FORTNIGHTLY collection of such waste is not acceptable to the carers I have spoken with.

CLINICAL waste includes soiled nappies from adults who are being cared for at home. It is simply unacceptable for these to be left in a black bin for two weeks at a time

during hot weather.

WHAT about the impact this decision will have on the privacy and dignity of those who use this service?



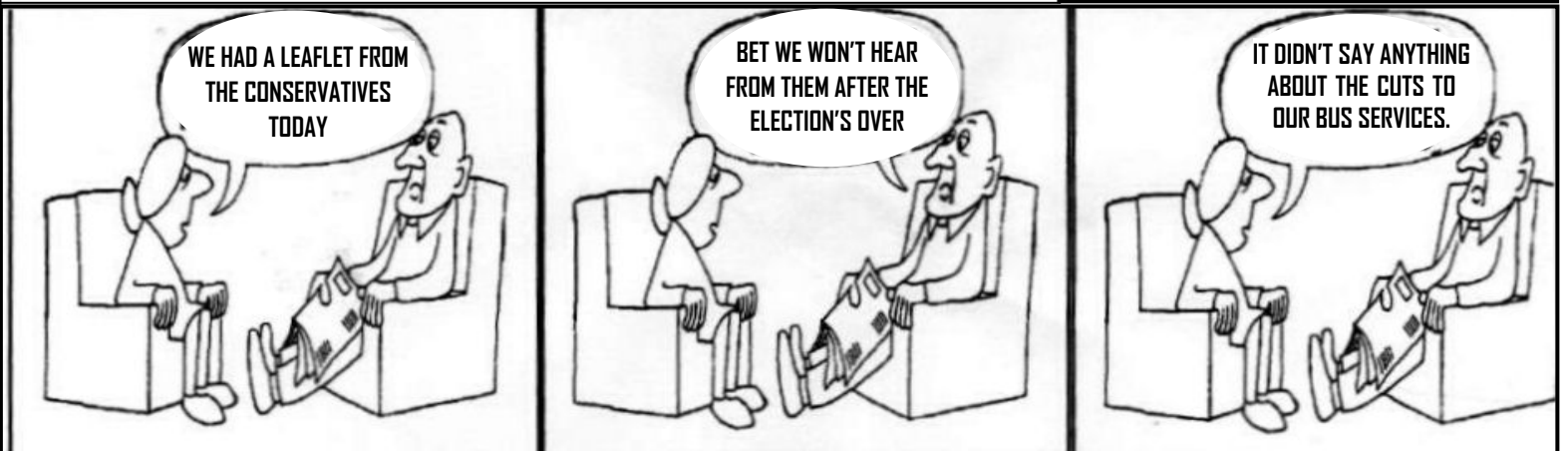
Good news for Camp Hill Community Centre

ON 14 APRIL some of the Management Committee and regular users of Camp Hill Community Centre met with an officer from the Borough council to discuss taking over the running of the Community Centre.

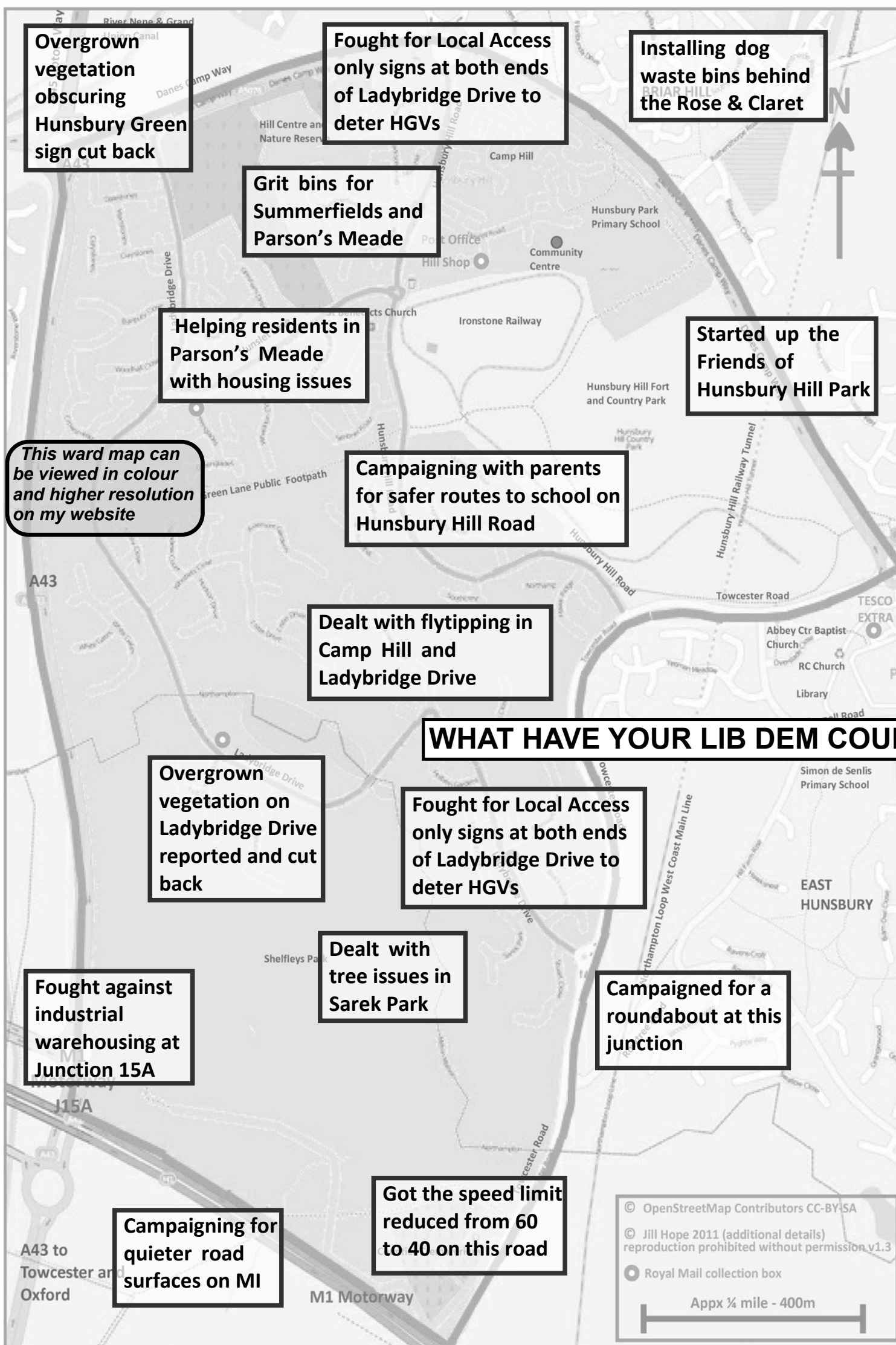
THEY listened to an excellent presentation from the manager of Hardingstone village hall – a hall that was taken over by the community from the county council 18 years ago.

AFTER a long question and answer session, the meeting agreed that they did want to put a proposal forward.

INDIVIDUALS will start to work on a business plan and financial forecast, and will meet again on Thursday 12 May to review progress on both.



ACTION ALL YEAR ROUND - NOT JUST AT ELECTION TIMES!



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WHAT HAVE YOUR LIB DEM COUNCILLORS BEEN DOING?

- Arranging for 'Age Span' to help elderly people with overgrown gardens
- Challenging the county council over its refusal to grit Dayrell Road - a bus route.
- Fixing security in Camp Hill flats
- Securing funding for new play equipment in Shelfleys Park and Hunsbury Hill Park
- Campaigning for better road safety on Danes Camp Way and Towcester Road
- Campaigning to keep a reasonable bus service in West Hunsbury
- Helping residents with personal issues - adult social care, home repairs, neighbour disputes and home moves

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Problems or concerns about your area?

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*If you need more room, attach this slip to a piece of paper and send both to us.



Get involved!

I can help deliver a few leaflets each month in my area ☐

I'd like to attend Liberal Democrat social events ☐

I'd like more information about becoming a member ☐

I will be supporting the Lib Dems at the next local election! (tick box) ☐

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