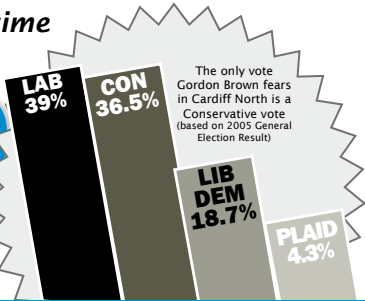


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FLUSHING DISGRACE

After four planning applications, four refusals by the Council's planning committee and four appeals to the Welsh Assembly, Western Power have started to drain Llanishen reservoir.

WPD paid for a report on the condition of the structure and are using this as an excuse to drain the water, forcing the Council to suspend the sailing that takes place on the water. It has been a long hard battle to keep the developer at bay and we congratulate the RAG group for keeping the pressure up.

Recently the structure was listed by CADW and this will add to the headache that WPD have had in building on this land. Jonathan Evans, Local Conservative Candidate, and Cllr. Richard Foley have called on the Council to write to the Countryside Council for Wales and CADW to implore them to demand that the reservoir be refilled as soon as possible once the inspections they say are needed have been carried out.

Cllr. Richard Foley added "If the reservoir is left drained for any length of time it concerns me that the clay walls of the

structure may dry out and shrink damage the now listed historic structure irreparably. Also with all the water gone it will have a dramatic effect on migrating birds and wildlife in the area".

We will continue to do all we can to ensure that this wonderful facility eventually reopens for the public to once again enjoy.



Jonathan Evans with Cllr. Bob Smith (L) and Cllr. Jon Burns (R)

LABOUR ROBS TAXPAYERS TO FUND ELECTION ADVERTISING

Jonathan Evans, Conservative Candidate for Cardiff North, has warned that the Labour Government has ordered a massive increase in taxpayer-funded advertising budgets as the General Election approaches.

'Since Labour came to office there has already been a four-fold increase in advertising promoting the Government, but in the past year of recession, Labour has increased spending still further by 40% to over £232 million. All of that money is coming from taxpayers. At a time when even Labour are accepting that budgets will need to be cut, the massive increase in Labour Government self-advertising at the taxpayer's expense is morally unacceptable.'

Jonathan said: 'We are also seeing newspaper adverts and leaflets promoting MPs continuing to be funded from the House of Commons Communications Allowance, which the Kelly report clearly said was taxpayer-funded promotion of MPs and should be stopped. Some MPs just seem to think they can carry on regardless.'

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LABOUR INSULTS LOCAL POLICE OFFICERS

Jonathan Evans, Conservative Candidate for Cardiff North, has condemned Labour's Justice Secretary Jack Straw for insulting hard pressed local police officers. Straw recently claimed that police officers preferred to remain warm in police stations with paperwork, rather than getting out on the beat and tackling crime.

Jonathan said : 'The truth is that Jack Straw and his Labour MPs have tied up the hands of the police with bureaucracy.

They have ignored the professional judgment of police officers and denied them the freedom to do their jobs - violent crime has increased as officers are forced to spend more time on paperwork than on patrol.

Labour's early release scheme has seen over 70,000 criminals released early, while prisons remain overcrowded, hampering efforts to rehabilitate prisoners. The bond between the police and the public must be rebuilt, and the first step will be cutting the red tape which prevents the police from doing their job properly'.

NEW NURSERY TO HELP YOUNG FAMILIES

After years of pressure from local Conservatives, those in charge of schools in the city have finally agreed to provide a nursery facility at Thornhill Primary school.

Cllr. Richard Foley said "The long called for nursery will certainly help with the pressures felt by young families; it will be a fantastic addition to the area making what is already a great school even better"

The school has been promised that work on the new nursery will be at an advanced stage by the end of 2010. Cllr. Bob Smith and Cllr. Richard Foley, who are both on the Governing body of the school, are calling for further improvements to the school as well as the nursery.

Cllr. Foley has called for the wooden huts (demountables) to be removed and replaced with permanent classrooms. He added "It is about time that these temporary classrooms were removed. The head teacher has done a brilliant job managing with them over the years but it's time our children received the best that the Council can provide".



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LLANISHEN TO THORNHILL CYCLE ROUTE ALMOST COMPLETED

The long awaited improvements to the cycle routes in the area are finally nearing completion. Your local Conservative Councillors have been calling for safer routes to schools and better cycle routes in the area for a long time and are pleased to see the pathway almost completed.

Cllr. Richard Foley added "It has taken a long time to convince the Lib Dems, who are in charge, that giving children a safe route to school makes common sense and reduces traffic on the already congested roads in the area. I just hope that they will see sense and extend the safe cycle route out to Mill Road and link into the railway station"

JONATHAN'S HEALTH REFORMS A STEP CLOSER

The Assembly has finally agreed to Jonathan Morgan's proposal for Wales to have powers to reform mental health services in Wales. Jonathan has been pioneering a proposed transfer of powers from London to Cardiff to allow the Assembly to provide better services for those with psychological conditions.

The proposal will now be considered by Parliament. Jonathan said: "I am delighted to be the first opposition AM to reach this stage with a proposed transfer of powers - the Assembly needs to do more for those with a mental illness, we need faster intervention services and advocacy to help people get the best help. We should lead the rest of the UK in this important reform."

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