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## What is the Future for Harford Centre?

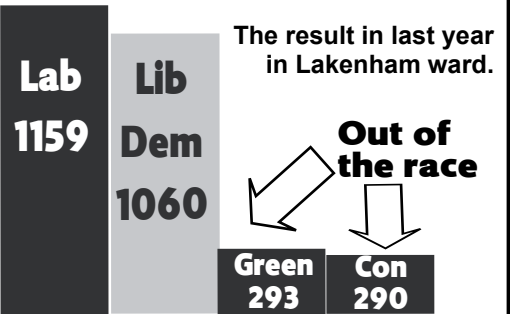
The Committee at Harford Centre has called a public meeting at the Centre for Thursday February 5<sup>th</sup> at 7pm to discuss its future.

Cllr Hereward Cooke has agreed to chair the meeting is hoping that local residents and interested parties will attend to give their views and advice.

Committee members are finding it increasingly hard to make full use of the buildings and their facilities and also to make ends meet. The possible impact of the new development at Harford Place gives this public consultation added urgency.

The meeting will consider how the use of the centre can be expanded and what the impact of new developments in the area will be. A new health centre is planned for Harford Place. Can the sporting facilities in the immediate area act as a focal point for generating new uses for the centre? Can the thin strip of land at South Harford Middle School down to Hall Road be used for community recreation and sport?

### The Result Last Time



**It's Lib Dem or Labour Here**



• Focus Editor David Fairbairn at the Harford Centre.

Councillor Cooke says: "This meeting is an important turning-point in the fortunes of the Centre, which I have been following closely over the past few years. A serious decision needs to be made in conjunction with the City Hall over its future. I look forward to seeing a good crowd on the night!"

The meeting will be taking place at the **Harford Centre on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> February at 7pm** please do get in touch with Hereward for more information.

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## Nick Clegg is New Leader

Lib Dem campaigner Simon Wright has welcomed the election of New Lib Dem Leader Nick Clegg.

Simon commented: "Nick has a great track record of tackling the issues that matter to people. He launched the recent 'We Can Cut Crime' Campaign' which got a great response here in Norwich."



• Simon with Nick Clegg in Norwich.

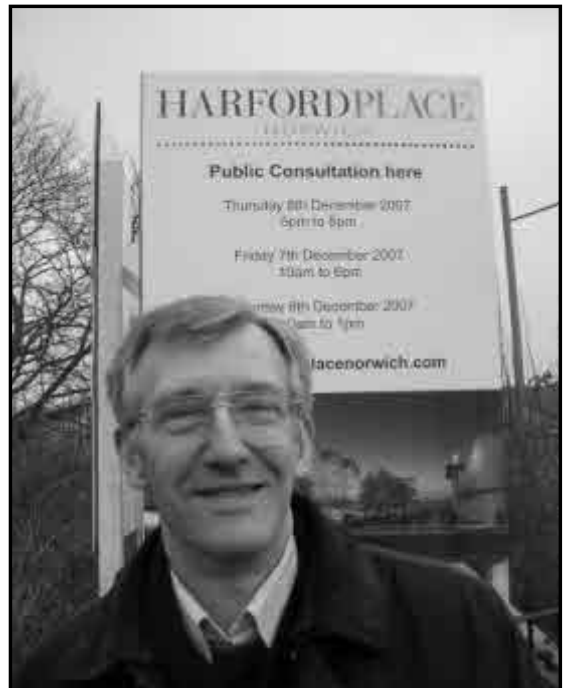
**Liberal Democrats Working All Year Round**

## New development for shoe factory site

Residents have been asked for their views on plans for the redevelopment of the Bally Shoe factory.

Open days were held to exhibit what was planned by the local Norwich firm of developers, Targetfollow. They displayed plans for a whole new community heart for this part of Norwich. It will contain 300 homes, shopping, parking, an arts centre, children`s play area, leisure activities and a new health centre.

Focus Editor **David Fairbairn** : "This development promises to transform Tuckswood as we know it, so it is crucially important that local residents make their views known. The official planning process will not start until the spring but any concerns at this early stage can be phoned through to me on 664193. It is important to get this development right."



• David at the Harford Place site.

## Police Crack Down on Drug Dealing

Local Liberal Democrat Councillor Hereward Cooke has welcomed the success by Norfolk Police in securing a major conviction against a Drug Dealer from the Tuckswood area.



**Hereward** commented: "This success for the police is most welcome and will make our area a safer place to live. It is clearly uncomfortable for local people to learn that this activity has been going on in their community."

Focus Editor **David Fairbairn** added: " The Police need residents to help to make the area safer." You can e-mail the local policing team at [sntlakenhamtuckswood@norfolk.pnn.police.uk](mailto:sntlakenhamtuckswood@norfolk.pnn.police.uk), or of course call Crime-Stoppers on 0800 555111.

## Post Office Petition Still Time to Sign

Lib Dem Parliamentary Campaigner **Simon Wright** has welcomed the huge response to the Save Our Post Office Petition.

**Simon** commented: "People in Norwich really value their local post offices. Please do show your support by returning the petition slip"

**David Fairbairn** added: "The decision by Labour Ministers to postpone the consultation till after this May's local election is sheer cowardice."

**SIGN THE PETITION TO SAVE OUR POST OFFICE** **SIGN HERE**

*"We, the undersigned, call on the Government to halt plans to close any more Post Offices, and protect local post offices in Norwich."*

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