

Local Conservatives *Listening to and Acting for* the Local People of Desborough

When elected, we shall work for:

A well-designed, integrated, vigorous town centre incorporating: several linked squares; one-way traffic systems; a large-scale community/cultural hall and facilities; a pre-school nursery and play area; and a heritage/educational centre run in partnership with schools.

A town centre of distinctive character, outstandingly attractive to in-town and out-of-town shoppers and visitors. It must include interesting and lively **commercial small businesses, with starter units, workshops for business enterprise and the development of crafts and skills.**

Better policing and police visibility: a central police station; 20 mph on dangerous roads and junctions throughout the town (no speed humps); more cctv.

A clean, green, bright town (a continuation of our recent success); more street cleaners and the introduction of litter wardens. No rough pavements or roads. More flowers; small flowering trees; more seats.

Improved design and care of our main traffic roads for the safety of drivers and pedestrians. The Gold Street/A6 junction and the Braybrooke Road (leading to the Bypass roundabout) need urgent attention.

Improved leisure and sports facilities for all ages, retaining the Hawthorns Centre when Grange Farm Leisure Centre is built (2005-8). Grange facilities must be of high quality design and provision, not left to the developers.

A local swimming pool of competition standard, and a training pool, Fenced, safe play and ball spaces within current housing areas.

Keeping Desborough green: the protection of the Ise Valley for walking etc; the cultivation of the Cemetery to its original protected park status. The establishment of a **broad circle of accessible green land around the whole town,** recognising Desborough's fields as a major community facility.

Town development guided by local people rather than developers. Desborough must not become an enormous commuter housing estate, losing its special character as a community. Better communication between planning officers and local people to **prevent disasters like the recent damage to the Plens Nature Reserve.**

Desborough must not be neglected by Kettering Borough Council,

nor must it be dumped on with pretence of improvement.



Desborough has needs distinct from those of Kettering.

Vote Conservative on MAY 1st 2003