

# 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**