

A27 Traffic Update

Nigel has long campaigned for a proper dual carriageway between Lewes and Polegate.
Recent tragic accidents have underlined just how dangerous this road is. During the course of Airbourne, Nigel and his action team raised nearly 3000 signatures for a safer A27.

Working for You...

"I thank you for upholding Christian values in Parliament on so many occasions."
Miss J. K.

"We must thank you again for all the work you have put in on this matter."
Mr. R. B.

"I am passing this to you because someone told me you 'get things done'."
Mrs A. L.

"I follow closely the great job you are doing on behalf of the local DGH."
Mr D. D.

"I am truly grateful for your quick response in resolving this matter. You have done a brilliant job."
Mrs S. K.



Nigel collecting signatures at Airbourne for his A27 petition

MP's Surgeries

Nigel holds regular surgeries for constituents who wish to raise any issues of concern with him. If you would like to arrange an appointment, please call his constituency office on:

01323 720776

Prize Sudoku No1

First 3 correct answers will win a bottle of House of Commons wine

Please return to:
Nigel Waterson MP
FREEPOST Nat 9250
Eastbourne BN20 8ZW

Closing Date:
31st October 2007

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The winner will be drawn at random from correct answers and notified by post or email.

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LOCAL MP FIGHTS TO SAVE THE DGH
Sign up to the campaign inside...

Nigel Waterson MP for Eastbourne, Willingdon & East Dean reports back...

Tell Nigel

5 ways to contact Nigel with your views

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Welcome to
Sea Views

from Nigel Waterson
Member of Parliament
for Eastbourne,
Willingdon & East Dean



I have been doing this job for fifteen years now, and I am still hugely enthusiastic about representing this constituency and looking after local people. Each year seems to be busier than the last!

I am still fighting hard to keep core services at our local DGH. I am also campaigning for better road and rail services, to protect our local post offices and to stop lots of extra houses being built on greenfield sites.

"Sea Views" is designed for me to report back to you – the people who elected me – on what I have been doing on your behalf. I hope you will also play your part by letting me have your views on any issues – local or national – which concern you.

A major part of my work is holding regular advice surgeries and dealing with the hundreds of letters and e-mails I receive every week. I find it deeply satisfying to be able to help constituents who have genuine problems. As your local MP, I'm always here for you, no matter who you vote for.



Fighting for local Health services Nigel pictured with local residents fighting to stop cuts at the DGH.

DGH fight goes on

For over two years, Nigel has spearheaded the campaign to "Save the DGH". The recent public consultation was deeply flawed and failed to take proper account of Option Five – the popular choice.

Nigel says: "I suspect the overwhelming majority of people who responded to the consultation will have voiced support for Option Five, which would allow consultant-led maternity to remain in both Eastbourne and Hastings. The views expressed at the public meetings were overwhelmingly in favour of Option Five."

"What weight will be given to public opinion when decisions are made? If the views of the public are ignored, what value is there in having a public consultation at all?"



Nigel with local Willingdon police community support officer, Richie Davidson

MP on the beat

Nigel has always campaigned for tougher measures to deter crime and antisocial behaviour.

Violent crime has been rising recently; and Nigel supports proposals to cut red tape for the police, minimum sentences, an end to the early release of prisoners and building more prisons.

"Recent tragic cases show that we need to address the problems of gun crime, alcohol abuse, lack of discipline in schools and family breakdown."

I Support the Campaign to Keep Core Services at the DGH

Name:
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Nigel Waterson MP, FREEPOST Nat 9250, Eastbourne BN20 8ZW

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Out & About in Eastbourne

with Nigel



Nigel is welcomed by the local Bangladeshi community on the anniversary of their independence



Nigel welcomed his constituent Dorothy Henderson to the House of Commons. At 94, Dorothy still helps run the Eastbourne poppy appeal

Nigel gets the wet sponge treatment from the Bishop of Lewes and the organisers of the Jevington Fete

Attending an awards ceremony for the local branch of the Multiple Sclerosis Society; Nigel is their Patron



Nigel and his family visiting the Eastbourne Lifeboat



Visiting Chaseley for Airbourne



Welcoming the Governor of Louisiana to Eastbourne



Visit of Bishop Bell students to the House of Commons



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You can access my website on: www.nigelwaterson.com





Give us a say Gordon!

"We will put the Constitutional Treaty to the British people in a referendum" – Gordon Brown, 2005

The new Treaty would:

- establish a European head of state and foreign minister
- abolish 40 national vetoes
- set up a common system of criminal justice
- turn the EU into a sovereign state

Nigel Waterson backs a Referendum on the new EU Treaty, and has written to the Prime Minister demanding one.

Nigel says: "Senior European politicians say that this Treaty implements between 90 and 98% of the original EU Constitution which was so decisively rejected by voters. I believe my constituents deserve to have their say on these crucial issues for our country's future."

What do you think? *Tell Nigel!*

No to Cold Callers

Wannock resident Nigel Waterson MP has been a great supporter of the new "No Cold Callers" zone in Wannock.

"My family live here and we don't like being pestered by cold callers at the door. And we have many elderly neighbours who might fall prey to conmen and other criminal elements."

Do you like the idea of a "No Cold Callers" Zone in your area?

Tell Nigel!



Backing our Post Offices

Nigel has campaigned tirelessly for our local post offices. Recently he welcomed a reprieve for the Terminus Road branch. Now there is a review of the future of 14,000 post offices across the country.

"I believe post offices are at the heart of local communities. I have had the privilege of re-opening two post offices recently – Hampden Park and East Dean – after much hard work by me and local campaigners. But we must remain vigilant about the threat to other post offices in my constituency."



What the papers say...

Just some of the many issues and stories Nigel has raised in the press over recent months.

MP takes DGH fight to Commons

Catholic community meets with MP
LOCAL campaigners and members of the Catholic community met with MP Nigel Waterson to discuss the future of the DGH.

Why NHS spin over future of DGH needs a health warning

I predicted some time ago that – as we got nearer to the final proposals for NHS reconfiguration in our area – NHS bosses would produce clinicians who would try to argue that any changes would be to enhance patient safety. The interview with Dr Walsley a couple of weeks ago seems to be part of this 'softening up' process.

IN A recent interview in the Herald, Dr Harry Walsley, a clinical director of the Trust which runs the DGH and Conquest, argued that change is necessary if the hospitals are to operate effectively. MP Nigel Waterson, who has been at the forefront of the Save the DGH Campaign, believes his arguments were part of a 'softening up' strategy by the Trust ahead of department closures. He sets out his views here.



unit in East Sussex? As far as I am aware, that has never been an option considered by anybody and, presumably, has just been put in to frighten us all. I am also concerned that there is so much 'spinning' about A&E being 'saved' on both sites. Certainly if A&E is not to be touched, that would be welcomed by our campaign. Although there do remain some unanswered questions as to the possible change to 24/7 A&E is delivered.



MP is concerned over police report on paedophile

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Proposed cuts are raised in the House

PROPOSED cuts at the DGH were raised in Parliament.

Getting in the swing



THERE WAS plenty of foot-tapping at Eastbourne's Winter Gardens at the weekend when the pre-Christmas Ball with the Johnny Spice Swing Orchestra took place.

1,000 turn out at vigil for hospital services

BELOW: Members of Eastbourne and South Wealden MS Society gathered for their Christmas lunch at the Langham Hotel. Guests of honour were The Mayor of Eastbourne, Cllr Colin Belsey, and MP Nigel Waterson, who is patron of the society. Also pictured, from left, are Mrs Barbara Waterson, society secretary Margaret Barrett, the Mayoress Anna Belsey, and society chairman Bernard Curtis. Picture: Terry Connolly.

