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## on St Ives

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**Nic Wells and the local team  
keep in touch all year round,  
not just at election time**

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# What next for incinerator plan?



*Nic Wells, Cllr Graham Wilson and Tony Hulme at the enVar site where a medical waste incinerator is proposed.*

The proposal to build a medical waste incinerator by the Woodhurst Wheatsheaf crossroads is understandably causing a huge amount of local concern.

A local campaign group is opposing the development and Nic Wells has already contacted Lib Dem County Councillors to make clear why he hopes they will vote against it.

### **Concern about air pollution**

"There are bound to be real worries about harmful air pollution when an incinerator and a tall chimney are proposed," said Nic. "This area and the UK as a whole already have enough incinerator capacity."

A decision on the plan could be made at the next County Council Planning Committee on 15 December.

## Conservatives leave County Council with huge £81 million financial black hole

The new Lib Dem-led County Council has been reviewing the council's alarming budgetary position.

An external independent review has confirmed the Conservatives' mismanagement of the council's finances left the council with an astonishing £81 million black hole.

As everyone can see, our roads, pavements and cycle paths have been left in an appalling state.

The Lib Dems have begun to reform the council's Highways Department so that the problems can be addressed over the coming years.

The 'New Shire Hall' HQ for Cambs County Council, a project of the previous administration, has now opened. Based at Alconbury Weald, there are no viable public transport connections from most parts of the county, a problem the Conservatives chose to ignore.

## Signs to St Ives forgotten in A14 upgrade

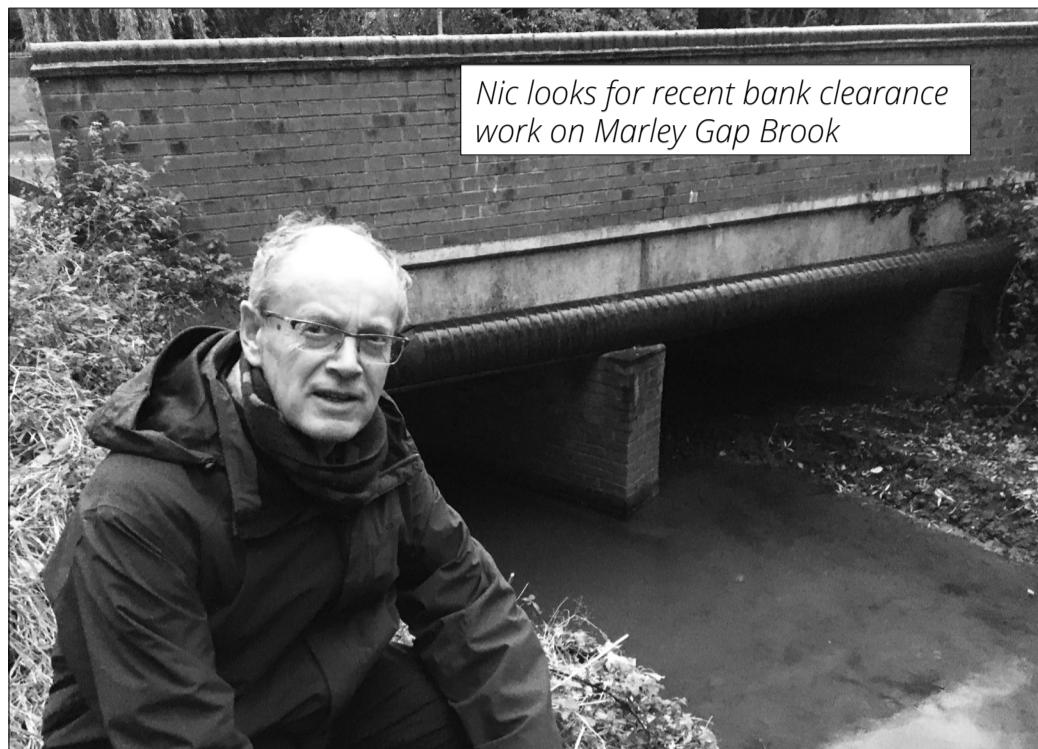
Visitors trying to find St Ives have been confused by the failure to update signage.

One example is a sign (below) on the A141 to March (22 miles from Huntingdon) but not to St Ives (less than 6 miles away).



**Standing up for you all year round**

# Update on flooding, pavements and potholes



**Local campaigner Nic Wells and many residents are awaiting the County Council's report on St Ives winter flooding.**

"There is much to be done," said Nic. "Storm drains need to be cleared and Marley Gap Brook needs maintenance work, as do gullies across town."

## Better way to report problems

There is now a better way to report flooding problems online (as well as potholes and pavement problems): [orlo.uk/MBTGa](http://orlo.uk/MBTGa)

Lib Dem and other Councillors listened to the problems that residents faced last year when many didn't know whom to contact when faced with a flood and this *should* remove that problem.

## Help children who've lost out due to Covid-crisis, say Lib Dems

The Liberal Democrats would help parents help their children to catch up on lost learning due to Covid if they were setting the government's budget.

But instead the Conservatives decided to cut the banking surcharge from 8 to 3% costing the treasury £3.8 billion a year, double the cost of the Lib Dems' help for parents and children.

Party leader Ed Davey said: "Parents are crying out for the catch-up funding our children desperately need. The chancellor let them down, offering less in extra catch-up funding than his tax cut for the big banks."



*Lib Dem leader Ed Davey wants children to be able to catch up on the education they've missed due to the Covid crisis.*

## No help for the climate from Conservative Budget

Ahead of the crucial COP26 climate summit, the Conservatives announced their plans to cut taxes on pollution!

Incredibly, they are cancelling taxes on highly polluting domestic airline flights.

## Tax pollution more, say Lib Dems

The Lib Dems would increase taxes on pollution and invest £150 billion in green travel.

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