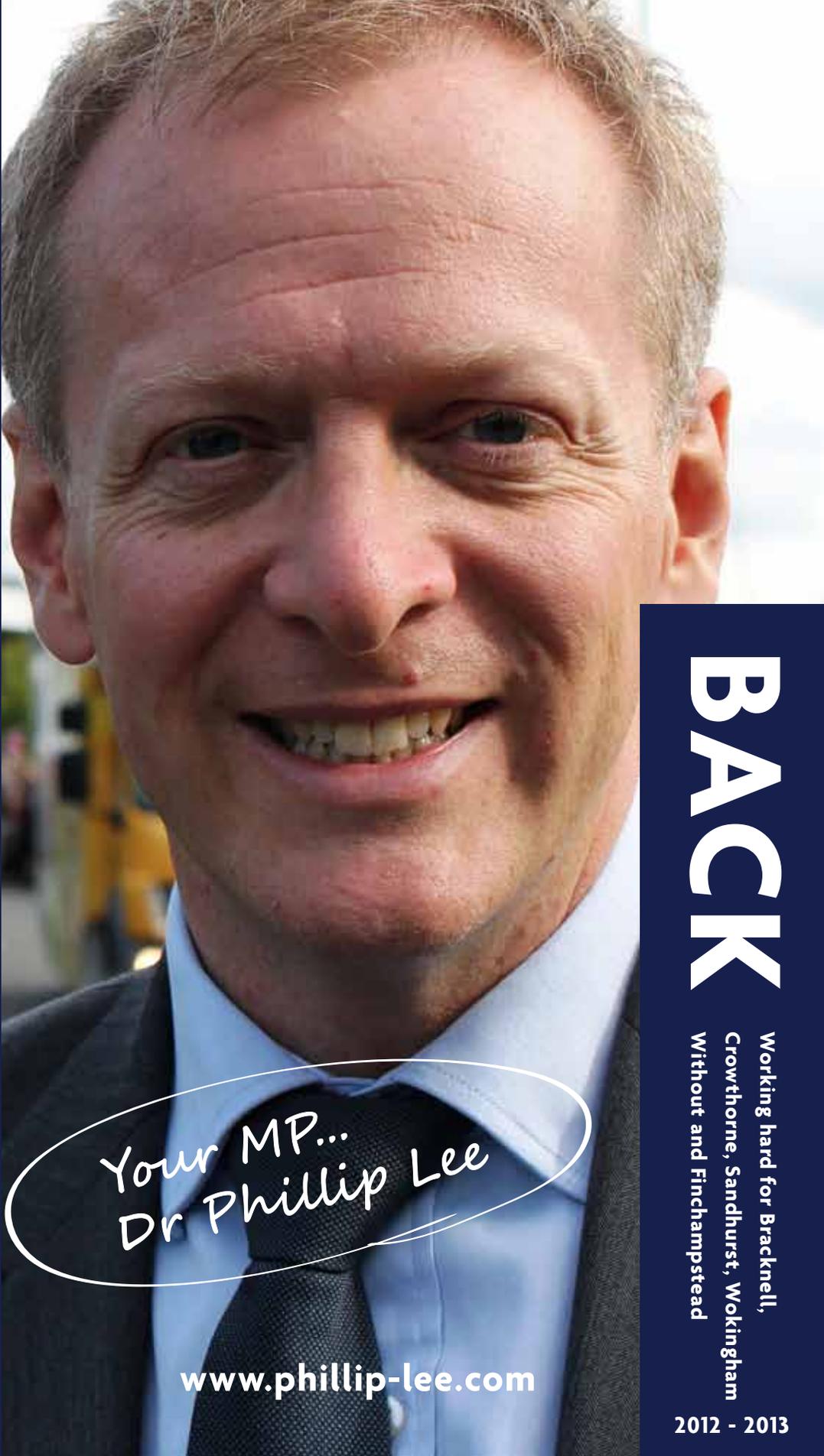


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Making Britain And Bracknell Constituency A Better Place

Dear Constituent,

This is my second Annual Report. I was very pleased with the feedback about my first edition last year and hope that it will be just as positive for this one.

Over the last year, I have been working very hard as your MP. I've attended many events throughout the constituency and met with countless people. It has been a genuine pleasure and privilege to meet so many people who give so much to their local communities. These have included the outstanding individuals honoured at the Pride of Bracknell Awards (photo right), publican Gareth at The Royal Oak in Bullbrook (photo below) and Wally Chapman (also pictured with me below) who remarkably has been a Parish Councillor in Finchampstead for over 50 years. Well done Wally!



Bracknell Pride Awards

Listed on the opposite page are just a few of my political achievements over the last 12 months along with just some of the changes that have been introduced by the current Conservative-led government. Each has involved the hard work of Parliamentary colleagues, local councillors and council officers. There are many others, of course.

None of my work in the Bracknell constituency would be possible without the steadfast support and hard work of a large number of local people. It is of course impossible to list all of them here. I would like to mention my staff members in Westminster and Bracknell who all work ceaselessly to deliver the best service to my constituents. Although correspondence from constituents has continued to increase this year, my Office has endeavoured to respond to each enquiry promptly and offered as much support as we can in each case.

The production of this report has not been taxpayer-funded as I have managed to secure generous support from local people.

I hope you enjoy reading about my year as your MP.

Best wishes,

Phillip Lee



Royal Oak Bracknell – CAMRA Award



Finchampstead Parish Councillor, Wally Chapman

Nationally, we have:

- **Introduced a Benefit Cap this year (which the Labour Party opposed).** Ensuring that people on 'out of work' benefits receive less than average working households get by working. The cap is set at a fair level and excludes disabled people who obviously require additional support
- **Created 1.2 million new private sector jobs since 2010.** Britain's businesses are rising to the challenge.
- **Cut corporation tax to 22%** by 2014-15, one of the lowest in the G20
- **Improved the Basic State Pension.** The average pensioner will be £15,000 better off over the course of their retirement. The largest ever cash rise in the basic state pension (£5.30) delivered this year
- **Increased NHS spending in each year of this Parliament.** The number of doctors has been increased by 5,180. Admin and IT costs will be cut by £2.7 billion by the end of 2012/13
- **Helped train and rehabilitate offenders.** Prisons will become places of hard work and training, where prisoners are expected to work a 40 hour week
- **Frozen council tax for 3 years.** Under this Conservative-led government, most pensioners have seen their council tax bills frozen for two years with a third year freeze to come



Annual Dinner in Bracknell with the Home Secretary

Locally, I have:

- **Improved fast broadband access.** I've campaigned hard for over two years to secure the extension of fibre-optic cabling and 4G services throughout the constituency
- **Enjoyed attending numerous community events and visiting many schools** in Bracknell, Crowthorne, Sandhurst, Wokingham Without and Finchampstead
- **Successfully represented local businesses at Westminster and in Brussels** thereby assisting their future prosperity
- **Signed over 12,000 letters** since March 2012 in support of my constituents' casework
- **Actively supported the on-going redevelopment of Bracknell town centre.** Recently, I attended an exhibition of the plans in Princess Square (pictured left with the key players)



Bracknell Regeneration Exhibition

"Thanks for representing us in Parliament, and doing such a good job."

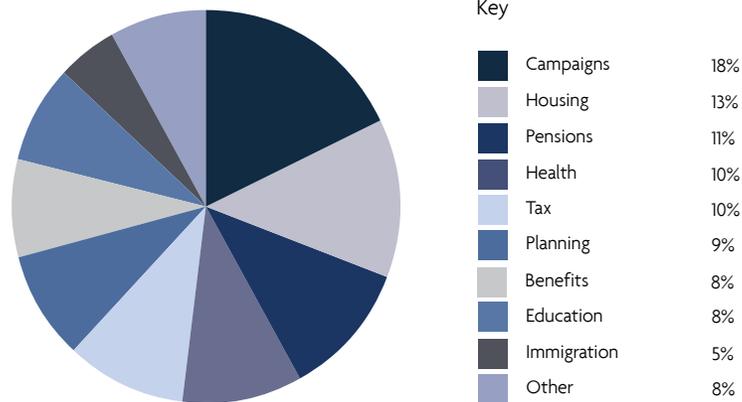
Rev. M. B., Bracknell



Delivering Services For All Of My Constituents

Numbers at a glance (as of February 18th 2013)

- Total number of constituent cases: 6,418
- Total number of constituency letters signed: 32,856
- Total number of emails received: 130,474



My office continues to deal with thousands of constituent enquiries. A wide range of subjects are managed either by written correspondence or 'face-to-face' in my Bracknell office.



Crowthorne Q&A



Bracknell Voluntary Action

I continue to campaign for better fast broadband access throughout the constituency. I arranged for BT to address a meeting in Finchampstead (pictured right) and secured an individual 'case by case' service for constituents.



Finchampstead Broadband Meeting



Bracknell Rail Station

Since my election I have lobbied hard for better rail services to and from the constituency. I recently met with the Transport Minister to discuss enhancing local rail links. I have called for additional carriages to be added to trains from Bracknell and Sandhurst/Crowthorne. My Office is currently working on a business case for a new line to link Bracknell with the Cross Rail terminus at Maidenhead.



Boehringer Ingelheim



Centrilogic



Star Fireworks, Bracknell

I have supported established Bracknell businesses like Boehringer Ingelheim (who celebrated their 50th year in the town in 2012) and attended the opening of a new British HQ for the company Centrilogic. I have defended Bracknell businesses at Westminster, including Star Fireworks in Bullbrook, Bracknell.

"I just wanted to say a big thank you for your help with my recent problem claiming jobseeker's allowance. In these times when all we seem to hear about is how MPs are on a 'Gravy Train', it is good to know that you are willing to help those in need."

Mr W. G., Bracknell

"Thank you so much for passing my concerns on. I have now received two comprehensive responses, and I would just like to say how much I appreciate the time and effort you have made on my behalf."

Mr W. F., Sandhurst



Working Hard At Westminster and In The National Media

I am an active member of the Energy & Climate Change Select Committee. We have produced a number of reports including a critique of the Government's Energy Bill. I have been invited to discuss national energy policy in the media on a number of occasions, including on BBC Newsnight.



BBC Newsnight



BBC Daily Politics

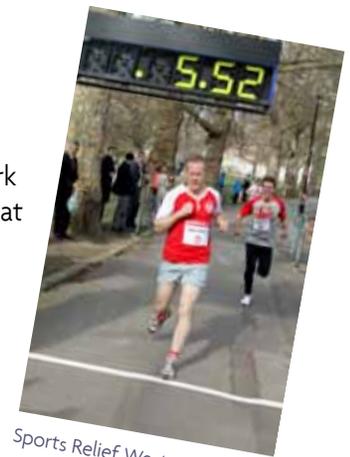
During the last year, I have been interviewed about the need for further NHS Reforms to deliver better care for all and also about the scandal at Mid Staffordshire Hospital.



Bracknell Boxing Club

I am an officer of the All Party Parliamentary Group for Boxing. I visited two clubs locally, Bracknell (pictured left) and Pinewood Starr in Wokingham Without. The group is currently working on a report into the community benefits of boxing clubs in tough communities across Britain.

In 2012, I ran the Westminster Mile around St James' Park in aid of Sport Relief. It seemed very appropriate to beat a Liberal Democrat MP to the line!



Sports Relief Westminster Mile

The Sunday Telegraph



Sunday Telegraph

I have written opinion pieces for national Sunday newspapers and the medical press about the need for honesty and integrity in modern politics.



Pulse



The Observer

I am Vice Chairman of the Conservative Middle East Council. This organisation fosters a better understanding of the region amongst Conservative colleagues. Over the last few years I have been privileged to visit Kuwait and Syria (just before the civil war began).



Syria Delegation in 2011



Red Ten Football Club

I am currently undertaking a 'fellowship' with the Football Foundation, a charity co-funded by the Premier League, the FA and government. It recently made a grant to Red Ten FC based in Bracknell.

"Lucky Bracknell to have such a representative!"
Mr D. A., Nottingham

"I am very grateful to you for all your help and a big thank you to your team."

Mr. M. L-H, Bracknell



SKY News from Bracknell



Supporting Local Sports Clubs, Societies And Schools

I have visited many local schools over the last year including Uplands in Sandhurst to celebrate their 50th birthday. I'm pictured cutting the cake with long-serving school governor, Diana Pidgeon OBE.



Uplands School



Bracknell Rugby Club

Bracknell Rugby Club has recently secured funding to renovate the changing rooms and its physiotherapy suite. I played a small part by supporting their grant application to Sport England.



Bracknell Sports Day

In June 2012 the "St Brak Kennel" Olympic and Paralympics Games were held at the Bracknell Sports Centre. Brakenhale, St Michael's Easthampstead CE Primary and Kennel Lane schools all competed in the impressive event.



Finchampstead C of E Primary

Although a very wintry day, I recently managed to visit Finchampstead Primary. I was really impressed by the ethos of the school. I hope to return again when the sun is shining!

"Congratulations - this is the first time I have heard a politician talk leadership rather than 'followership' for years!"
Mr. T. P., Maidenhead

Even before I was selected as the Conservative Party Candidate for the Bracknell constituency in 2009, I argued for the need to consolidate local acute healthcare services on to one location on the M4. In the future, acute hospitals will only be built to serve populations in excess of 500,000 people as evidence has shown that this approach delivers the best clinical outcomes. Locally-based community hospitals will consequently become more important in providing for the growing demand for chronic care services.



Hospital Plan Meeting in Bracknell

With this reality in mind, early in 2012 I issued a plan for a new regional hospital to be located on the M4 supported by a network of community hospitals and clinics throughout the region. I have secured the support of



Hospital Meeting in Maidenhead with Theresa May

local MP's including the Home Secretary, Theresa May and continue to undertake public meetings around the region in support of my vision.



Local Newspaper Coverage

The recent announcement of the likely merger of Heatherwood & Wexham Park Hospital with Frimley Park is likely not to be the last. This trend towards acute trust consolidation supports everything I have been arguing for over the last three years. By leading the debate locally, my intention is to secure the best location for all of my constituents

to access the finest acute care.

"I cannot tell you what a genuine sense of care and support I felt when I read your letter. Thank you so much for responding and for doing that so quickly."

Mrs. A. I., Bracknell

"I am very impressed with what you have done and what you are doing for the constituency"

Ms. H. R., Sandhurst



Meeting People Across The Whole Constituency

Over the course of the year I have:

- Hosted school and college tours at the House of Commons
- Held quarterly Q&A meetings throughout the constituency



Wildridings & Easthampstead Walkabout



Bird in Hand in Little Sandhurst

- Held 'pub politics' sessions in many pubs, often pulling a few pints in the process!
- Held regular 'face-to-face' meetings with constituents in my Bracknell office and made home visits when appropriate (e.g. Network Rail meeting below)



Crowthorne Carnival

- Held monthly walkabout and village/town stand events
- Hosted and spoken at four regional meetings throughout the Thames Valley in support of my vision for future acute healthcare coverage of the entire Bracknell constituency



Holme Grange School Q&A



Wokingham Without Residents Network Rail Meeting



As you can see from the map above I represent 17 electoral wards. These form a sizeable part of Berkshire and is the home to over 77,000 voters and their families. As a consequence of this, I still have a few places to visit and many people to meet.

It has been a real privilege representing all of your best interests at Westminster over the last 12 months. It has also been a genuine pleasure to meet many of you and your families over the course of the last year. I very much hope to meet many more of you for the first time in the near future.



Diamond Jubilee Street Party in Finchampstead

"It was extremely nice of you to go to that much trouble in so short a space of time. All this leaves an old socialist like me very confused. Any chance of you crossing the floor?"

Mr. D. F., Crowthorne

"I know that I cannot thank you enough for your hard work and competency. You thoroughly deserve to be my MP and I will always remember you. Thank you very much!"

Mr. R. W., Bracknell



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