

Why Supporting Independent Local Candidates Matters

In local elections, every vote has the power to shape your community. But instead of backing the same old party politics, why not consider independent candidates? Here's why you should:

✔ **Community First, Not Party Agendas**

Independents aren't bound by party lines; they make decisions based on what's best for your local area, not what's dictated from Westminster.

✔ **Fresh Ideas & Real Change**

Without party bureaucracy, independents bring new perspectives, innovative solutions, and a genuine passion for improving your community.

✔ **Accountable to YOU, Not the Party**

Independent councillors answer to local residents, not political bosses. That means they listen, respond, and act on what truly matters to you.

✔ **Politics That Puts People First**

Local government should be about fixing roads, supporting schools, and improving services—not party point-scoring. Independents focus on results, not rhetoric.

**This election,
think beyond the ballot box.
Vote for real representation.
Vote independent.**

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WHO IS BARRY WAINWRIGHT?

Originally from Lancashire, I moved to Cambridgeshire over thirty years ago and have lived in the wonderful fens ever since. I have served as a Town Councillor in Whittlesey, representing the Coates and Eastrea Ward (which includes Turves and the smaller settlements in the area) and have served on the Planning Committee since elected.

Being a Town Councillor is both rewarding and frustrating. I am not unusual in that I entered Local Politics because I wanted to make a difference, to improve the area I live in and love. It was quickly learned that there is little that can be done to address most people's concerns at Town Council level. People are worried about the state of our roads, the lack of public transport, school places and the lack of investment in infrastructure to keep pace with the rate that new homes are being built.

I know I have developed a sense of what the residents of Whittlesey and the surrounding areas want from their councils – I can commit to working hard to help bring about real change to improve our area.

In my spare time(!) I act as Trustee and Committee Member for three local charities – The Whittlesea Society, The Storers of Eastrea and The Eastrea Village Hall Trust. I am actively involved in many aspects of village and community life and love getting out to local events and meeting my neighbours and local residents. I am also the Chair of my local surgery's Patient Participation Group, so have a good understanding of the issues around healthcare access.

TIME FOR CHANGE IN WHITTLESEY SOUTH



BARRY WAINWRIGHT
AN INDEPENDENT CANDIDATE
FOR CAMBRIDGESHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Vote for Change: Elect Barry Wainwright for Cambridgeshire County Council

Who I Am?

I am *thrilled* to introduce myself, your independent candidate for the upcoming Cambridgeshire County Council election. I believe I bring a fresh perspective, untainted by party politics, and a strong passion for our community. I am already heavily involved in community life in Whittlesey and the surrounding rural areas and will continue and expand that involvement if elected.

My Vision

- **Community First:** I believe in putting the needs of our residents at the forefront of every decision. I am dedicated to listening to you and acting on your concerns. The residents of my current Whittlesey Town Council ward – Coates and Eastrea – will, I am sure, confirm that I am active and responsive in promoting their concerns and issues.
- **Sustainable Future:** I am committed to promoting sustainable development and environmental protection to ensure a healthy future for Whittlesey South. Rural Fenland faces many challenges, numerous housing developments, the concerns around the Wisbech Incinerator and the Waste Handling at Saxon Pit; the lack of Public Transport in the villages - trust me to watch and, where necessary, challenge on these areas to work towards a better future for this and the next generation.
- **Education Excellence:** Improving our schools and providing resources for teachers and students is a top priority. Our children deserve the best. From ensuring sufficient places in our schools, providing transport for the outlying areas, to ensuring safe traffic schemes at the school gates – the children of our area deserve better than they have been getting.
- **Transparent Governance:** As an independent voice, I vow to maintain transparency and accountability in all council dealings. No hidden agendas – just honest service, with regular reports.

Key Policy Areas

- **Transport and Infrastructure:** Enhance public transport systems and improve road safety and conditions.
- **Healthcare and Wellbeing:** Support initiatives that bolster local healthcare services and community wellbeing programmes.
- **Local Economy:** Champion small businesses and encourage local entrepreneurship to boost our economy.
- **Housing and Development:** Advocate for affordable housing developments that respect the character of our communities.

Why Barry Wainwright?

- **Experienced Leader:** With a proven track record in management and business as a former Technical Director and Business Owner, I possess the skills and knowledge to effect positive change.
- **Independent Voice:** As an independent candidate, I will represent the interests of the community without party constraints.
- **Dedicated Community Member:** I am and have been an active member of our community for many years, working tirelessly on community projects, planning decisions and healthcare matters.

My Promise!

I can't promise that I will achieve everything I'd like to. I can't promise that roads will be magically fixed. I can't promise that new busses will appear on our streets...

BUT I CAN, AND DO, PROMISE THAT I WILL TRY MY HARDEST!

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