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Adrian Sanders MP

With thanks and best wishes.

I hope you will find this report of value and use it to tell me what you think. If you ever feel I can be of assistance to you please do not hesitate to get in touch.

I can represent you better. As always I have been very pleased to meet many local people at my weekly surgeries and to try and help with a wide range of problems large and small. I always welcome feedback from constituents, including criticism, and ideas on how

I try to make myself available to constituents by holding regular surgeries in different locations across Paignton and Torquay and to run a professional office locally where constituents can obtain help and advice.

I try to take every opportunity given to me at Westminster to raise issues that affect people here – provision of health services, pensioners' living standards, Police resources, Council funding, low pay, water and other utility charges. As a Torbay resident, these issues concern me too.

During the past twelve months I have continued to be a full-time MP for Torbay, active locally and speaking up for our area in Parliament.

Dear Fellow Resident

HOUSE OF COMMONS
LONDON SW1A 0AA



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Publications

In the past year I have conducted surveys and published reports into the views of local business people, students and NHS patients. I have also produced two information packs on Torbay's economy and how people can reduce their water bills, and a leaflet on staying warm in winter. These are all available from my office on 200036. Feedback from constituents is always welcome and additional information on any of the subjects covered in this report can be obtained from my office.

I meet regularly with the police in Torbay to pass on constituents' concerns and to take back their observations to Westminster.

South West Water charges continue to rise and I presented a Ten Minute Rule Bill to Parliament to limit the water and sewerage charges to no more than three per cent of household income in order to protect low income families.

Having campaigned for more police officers, we now have the highest number of bobbies ever in Torbay. But improvements to their working hours and conditions, together with increased bureaucracy, have not prevented a corresponding increase in operational capacity.

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Residents continue to suffer as a consequence of the Council Tax system. It penalises Torbay Council giving it £9 per head less than the average unitary authority.

I have raised all of these concerns at Westminster and have taken some of them direct to those who run these services locally.

million pounds for local people. over three-hundred tax or pension credit cases and secured or saved over half a million pounds for local people.

Despite record investment in our NHS, we continue to suffer from a shortage of NHS dentists and cuts to mental health care services locally. My office has dealt with

health services, benefits, tax-credits and education have dominated my post-bag. programme of reforms to public services. Locally, the impact of those reforms on

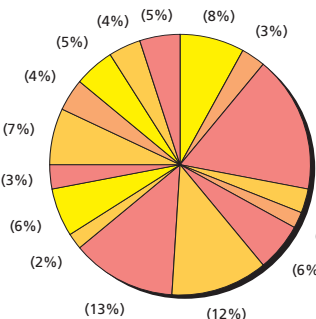
At Westminster, the year has been dominated by the Government's continuing

re-election to Parliament with a majority of 2,029. Thank you. It is an honour to

Introduction

Casework Issues

Benefits Agency	8%
Child Support Agency	3%
Tax Credits (inc. pension)	17%
Education	3%
Environment & Planning	2%
Law & Order	6%
Local Authority	12%
Local housing	13%
Local Authority	3%
Housing Association	74%
Private Landlord	19%
Owner Occupier	4%



Miscellaneous	2%
Health	6%
Housing Benefit	3%
Social Services	7%
Transport	4%
Pensions	5%
Immigration	4%
Other issues	5%
(employment, disability, consumer affairs, neighbour disputes, legal affairs each being under 2% of the total)	

Office Structure

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Surgeries are held at different locations across the constituency every week. No appointment is necessary. See local press for details or phone 200036.

Feedback

If you have any comments on the above report, questions about its content or would like a copy of a particular speech, question or motion, please contact my office by letter or phone.

IT'S YOUR PARLIAMENT

Constituents can take a tour of the Palace of Westminster and visit both the House of Commons and the House of Lords. For details contact my office on 200036.

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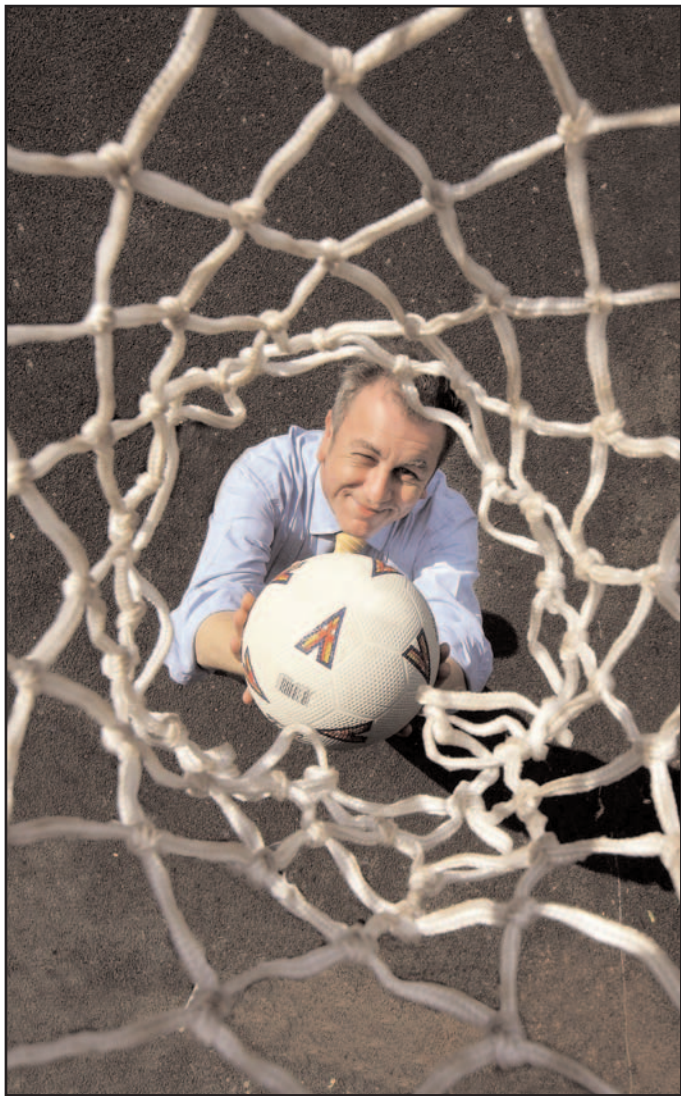
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“We found Adrian very supportive and helpful, a good listener and someone prepared to meet his constituents and treat them with respect.”
Mr & Mrs Musgrove, Torquay

Adrian Sanders is the only MP for Torbay ever to produce an Annual Report to his constituents – this is his ninth.

Working for you, all year round...



"Helping local organisations obtain grants is an all-important contribution MPs can make to their communities", says Adrian, taking the first shot at the Barclay's Foundation-funded basketball court in Victoria Park, Paignton.

Early Day Motions

In the past year I tabled eight Early Day Motions:

Bogus charity collections, sourcing sea-Bass supply from hand-line fishermen, retinal screening for Diabetics, Christian Holy Days and commercial activities, flight protection for low-budget airline passengers, housing affordability in the South West, saving rail services to the west of Exeter, proposed closure of Paignton job centre, rail station safety.

I have signed over two hundred Early Day Motions including: Protection of elderly in nursing homes, protection of small shops, victim support week, Google and censorship in China, preservation of Orang-Utans and their habitats, GM contamination of organic products, impact of debt on disabled people, end violence against women campaign, uprating of frozen pensions, making poverty history through trade justice, public lavatory provision, protecting runaway children, animal welfare, stamp duty rebate for energy efficiency measures and Parliamentary approval for participation in armed conflict.

Membership of Clubs and Societies

Patron – Alstrom Syndrome UK, Macmillan nurses
Hon Member Paignton Club
Friends of Torre Abbey
Paignton Preservation and History Society
Torbay Coast & Countryside Trust
Friends of Palace Avenue Theatre
Friends of Paignton Parish Church
My wife, Alison, and I live in Paignton, shop locally, and have our phone number published in the telephone directory

Parliamentary Record

In February this year I was appointed Deputy Chief Whip by the new Leader of the Liberal Democrats Ming Campbell MP.

Committees

Permanent Committees – Department of Culture, Media and Sport Select Committee, House Modernisation and the Committee of Selection.

Voting Record

(from 5 May 2005 to April 2006)

I voted in 86.5 per cent of the divisions in Parliament placing me among the top ten most participative opposition MPs in the House.

The Key Debates

Voted For:

Animal Welfare Bill (including tail docking)
Modernisation of the House of Commons

Voted Against:

Introduction of ID cards
90 day detention without charge
Religious Hatred Bill

Parliamentary questions, both written and oral, are useful for obtaining information, highlighting constituency needs and for putting pressure on the Government. Meetings with Ministers are particularly useful to put across an issue and argue a

detailed case for more resources or a change to legislation.

Among the many questions I tabled were ones on low incomes in Torbay, the lack of NHS dental provision, problems with the working tax credit and pension tax credit systems, the shortage of affordable housing in Torbay and dolphin deaths caused by industrial pair trawling.

Meetings were held with Ministers to discuss the Kingskerswell by-pass, protection for foreign language students visiting Torbay and the future of Paignton Job Centre.



"All Party groups, like the one I chair, help to encourage dialogue and promote issues across the political divide", says Adrian, hosting a Parliamentary reception with Jimmy Tarbuck, the President of Diabetes UK.



"The media often represent young people as an alien species, but listening to them you discover they share the same concerns as everyone." Adrian hosting a political speed dating event at the Acorn Centre.

All Party Parliamentary Groups

Chairman: Diabetes

Vice-Chairman: Charities and the Voluntary Sector, Secretary: Leasehold Reform

Member: Coastal Areas, Housing & Homelessness, Tourism, Football, ME, Building Societies, Electoral Reform, Housing Co-Operatives, British-American, Commonwealth Parliamentary Association, Inter Parliamentary Union.

Register of Interests

Gifts, benefits and hospitality: 15 February 2006, one ticket to the Brit Awards as a guest of the Brit Trust.

Land and Property: Residential property in Paignton, from which rental income is derived.

Shareholdings: 50 ordinary shares in the Dart Valley Railway Company.

Surgeries held & locations

Forty-eight surgeries were held across the constituency attended by 464 people. Watcombe 3, Barton 3, Hele 2, Wellswood 1, Chelston 2, Queensway 2, Shiphay 3, Ellacombe 3, St Marychurch 1, Upton 2, Age Concern Torquay 4, Preston 5, Paignton CAB 4, Hookhills 4, Torquay Library 3 Torre 2, In addition, surgeries were held for young people hosted by Connexions and the Acorn Centre. I also held a number of informal surgeries in Torquay and Paignton town centres and in Somerfield supermarkets at Plainmoor, the Haldon Centre and Crossways, and at Morrisons in Paignton.