



**Walsall Council Elections**  
**May 1<sup>st</sup> 2008**  
**Pleck Ward**

**Vote**  
**Martin**  
**Lynch**

*A new voice for Pleck Ward*  
*People not Profit*  
*Welfare not Warfare*

**Walsall Respect says:**

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**Pleck, Alumwell, Birchills and Reedswood**

**Vote**

**Martin Lynch**

**on 1<sup>st</sup> May**

# Martin Lynch *will*

- Resist New Labour, Tory and Lib. Dem. privatisation schemes
- Press for free social care for pensioners - the elderly deserve our respect
- Campaign for affordable housing, including new council housing
- Say no to government pressure for academies and elite schools for the few – yes to a good local school for every child.
- Continue to campaign for an education system that does not depend on the ability to pay – no to top up fees
- Push for extended youth facilities with worthwhile activities for young people
- Defend the NHS - local NHS services for local need
- Strive for a Walsall in which every part of the community is valued
- Press for serious measures to protect the environment with manageable recycling - weekly bin collections must stay
- Continue to speak out against war and campaign to bring the troops home

- **welfare not warfare**
- **no to privatisation of our public services**
- **people before profit**
- **protect the environment**

Incredibly, the Government has found more than £100 billion pounds of our taxes to bail out the shareholders of the Northern Rock Bank. Yet our household finances are under massive pressure as the price of food, fuel and housing goes up and up. What sort of priorities are these for a Labour Government?

*In recent years fantastic wealth has been accumulated by a tiny minority of extremely rich people – bonuses for the dealers of the City of London alone were £8 billion last year!*

At the same time simply paying the bills and keeping a roof over our heads gets harder and harder.

*New Labour, with the support of the Tories and Lib Dems continue to squander lives and huge sums of our taxes on war. They all back the profit driven system that threatens the environment and the very future of the planet.*

Martin and RESPECT stand for a real alternative to this madness.

*Vote for  
Peace, Justice and Equality*



**Vote for a change**

**Martin Lynch** X

### Pledge

“Being a local councillor should have **nothing** to do with advancing your career or making money and **everything** to do with serving local people. I would draw only genuine expenses, publish my accounts, and hand the rest of the councillor’s allowance to local representative organisations and campaigning groups.”

*Martin Lynch*



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“Whether in education, health, housing, youth and leisure facilities or local planning and the environment, we need to put people before the demands of big business and corporate greed.

**Local facilities must come first. Instead this council has prioritised madly expensive town centre projects and wasted millions on a privatisation scheme with Fujitsu that didn’t even come off.**

**If elected, I will champion the needs of the people in Pleck, Alumwell, Reedswood and Birchills. I will demand resources are spent on areas of greatest need such as our ward. I will be an energetic representative and not just disappear into the council chamber.”**

**Vote to make a difference on May 1<sup>st</sup>.**

**Martin Lynch** X

Martin is a secondary school teacher. He lives in the ward and is active in local politics, campaigning on many issues including:

- The recent successful campaign to save weekly bin collections
- Defending council housing
- Stop the War
- Against racism and fascism
- Make Poverty History
- Kobar, Palestine/Walsall Friendship Group
- Defence of the NHS and local hospitals