Chris's corner

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I was very disappointed to read a Labour councillor's comments in a local paper last week, in which he made the following astonishing statement: "We have so many students, but they don't join in local events, they don't vote – they seem to be just a bit of a dead weight in the community."

He is so wrong. The reality is that students contribute massively to our area. These young people play a vital role in the local economy by living and shopping in Leamington. At the last local elections, many didn't only vote, but actually put themselves forward as candidates.

Life as a student is challenging – coping with constant financial struggles, day-to-day stresses and uncertainty about the future in an unfamiliar environment. The least we can do locally is be welcoming, supportive and understanding.

And I would say to the Councillor; if you think students don't vote – perhaps your dismissive attitude explains why.

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