



# **Unionist**

## **ULSTER UNIONIST PARTY**

**Loanends/Seven Mile Straight**

**Danny Kinahan**

It has been a pleasure representing Loanends at Stormont, since I replaced David Burnside as the UUP MLA in June 2009. I look forward, with your support on May 5<sup>th</sup>, to continuing to do so, hopefully joined by my UUP colleague Councillor Adrian Watson. With my councillor colleagues Alderman Mervyn Rea and Paul Michael we have worked together to help your area in the ways below.

**Speeding** - We have raised at numerous times the dangers of speed on the Seven Mile Straight and other roads and will keep doing so.

**Extension of pavements** - There is a need to extend the pavement all the way down one side of the Seven Mile Straight and I will keep fighting for this. There is little money at present but as a one time member of the Department of Regional Development Committee I have been fighting hard to ensure that maintenance and repairs to roads, especially after this last winter, are the highest priority.

**Planning** - We have enjoyed being involved in local planning matters whenever asked to do so. On the Environment Committee I have been heavily involved in the new planning legislation. In future (from 2012/13) councils will produce local development plans with community agreement and will make the decisions locally so it will be vital we have good input from all of you.

**Country Roads** - I have been heavily involved in helping to minimise the use of the rural roads by heavy lorries, especially those speeding, and have written to companies identified to me to encourage alternative routes. I have also been working hard with Roads Service and the PSNI to help tackle speeding and such problems on these roads, such as the Printshop Road and Loanends Road. I will continue to do so as this problem does not go away.

**Litter/fly tipping/dumping** - I have helped remove dumped tyres and litter as requested. At Stormont we have passed legislation on the Environment Committee to tackle fly tipping, with larger fines and stronger powers being given to councils. This is where Stormont has achieved success but we will need the help of all of you to keep on top of it.

### **Nutts Corner**

I will keep fighting against the appalling illegal race tracks at Nutts Corner who do not care about the noise they create, but I will also continue to support the legal Nutts Corner race tracks who work so hard to support the motor racing fraternity.

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