

Graham has now retired.

Like his father Tom before him, he has been an exceptional pharmacist in supporting the community and has always put the care of his customers first.

Between them, they have served four generations of our family! He has always given his customers time to properly discuss their problems which is perhaps rarer in business these days.

All good things have to come to an end, but we wish him and his wife Judith a very long, healthy and happy retirement.

Susan and Andy Evans
Lytham

Referendum

AS the newest joined member of Fylde Council I attended the recent seminar re a referendum on the governance system.

I listened intently to the arguments for the "old" system being returned and to the various opinions given.

The argument made seemed to be that all was well under the committee system and that it was better than now. This however seems to contradict the facts.



Under the old system, Fylde got into severe financial difficulties whereas now it is a model for the rest of Lancashire.

On inquiry I could not find one case in the present administration where a recommendation by a scrutiny committee was not accepted by the cabinet which seems pretty democratic to me.

On reading the local paper that evening I was surprised to see a referendum was proposed for Wyre Borough Council to have an elected Mayor system, even more different.

I shudder to think what all these referendums are going to cost taxpayers.

In the present climate we

just can't afford the luxury of another poll.

If this matter, has as this group stated been going on since 2008, why had it not been fought in 2011 Fylde Borough elections or in the by-election in 2012?

If this is so important to them, to this pressure group, they should fight it at the next borough election in 2015 and save the taxpayer a lot of money."

Coun Barbara Nash,
Heyhouses Ward

Too many...

FYLDE councillors say there is nothing wrong with the way Fylde runs itself and that it is in better shape than ever before.

But I think most people don't have a clue which services the authority provides.

Instead of a referendum on what system of governance it should have, can we have one on why we have town councillors, borough councillors, county councillors, an MP and Euro MPs taking money from the pot for our town?

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