

I wish to express my disappointment and outrage at the recent Lib Dem Focus Newsletter recently delivered to households in the St. Michael's Ward.

The Newsletter contained false and misleading information. I was surprised to see that Cllr. Peter Allen appears to be claiming credit for progress on community matters that various people and organisations have been actively pursuing with Liverpool City Council over the past year.

I am also appalled at Mr Allen's dramatic claim that the Green Party Councillors, John Coyne and Sarah Jennings, "refused to allow homeless people shelter on freezing nights" this is simply not true and at no point during meetings, that I have attended on this issue, did they ever oppose the proposed provision at the local Community Centre. On the contrary, they were actively involved with the Homeless Unit in seeking ways to ensure a satisfactory solution to all concerned on this very difficult issue which was created by the Lib Dem ruled City Council's own omission to provide legally designated shelters in time for the coming winter of 08.

I Chaired a Public Meeting on this issue attended by the police, Chris Ferns (Head of the Homeless Unit) and the two Green Party Councillors. Cllr. Peter Allen did not attend this meeting and I wonder what evidence he has that enables him to print such outrageous lies. These lies were also accompanied by a photograph of a man lying on the ground in the snow freezing.

Whilst I am non partisan, this behaviour brings politics in Liverpool to a whole new low.