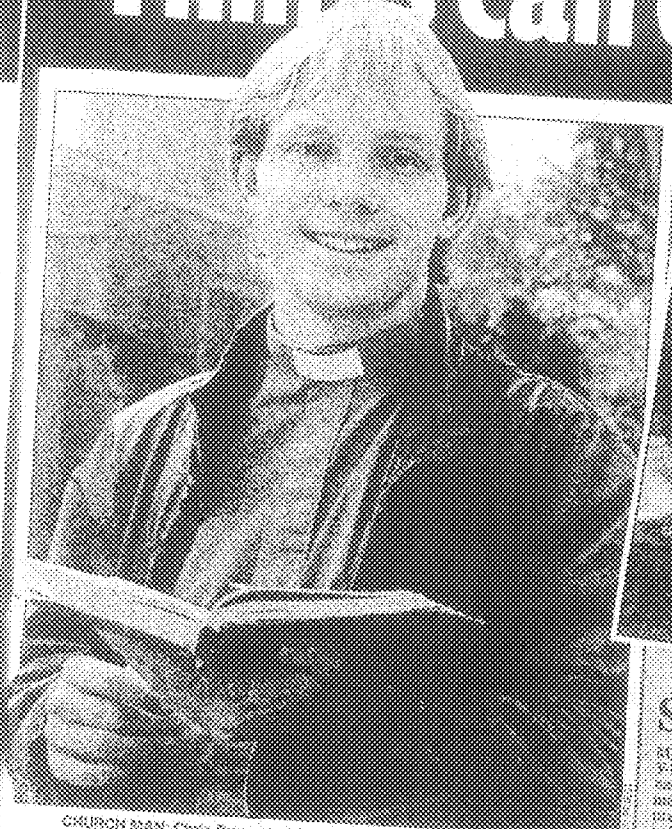


Blair victory by performing 'Things can only get better'



(Women) Which type of underwear do you prefer a man to wear?

Boxer shorts	47%
Briefs	22%
Under shorts	7%
Thongs	3%
T-shirts	3%
Other	2%
Don't know	8%
Refuse to say	4%

(Men) Which type of underwear do you usually wear?

Boxer shorts	64%
Briefs	32%
Under shorts	6%
Thongs	3%
T-shirts	2%
Other	1%
Refuse to say	0%

Sorry Mr Bryant, Britain prefers boxers

MERRY ANTS appearance in *Y-Tanks* shows the choice of undergarments is not as simple as it seems. Bryant's underwear choice was the subject of a poll for *The Mail* on Monday.

Of 22 per cent preferred under shorts to T-shirts, although the 'kinky' look 'fared more favourably with those aged 30 and over, with 38 per cent opting for Y-tanks. Conservative voters

showed a higher approval rating than Labour (38 to 15 per cent). And just 3 per cent of women favoured the look against 47 per cent who preferred boxers.

CHURCH MAN: Chris Bryant in his days as a vicar in High Wycombe

former mining area's 100 party members near the MP questioned after the Rhondda Labour news paper reported pictures of Bryant in his underwear.

At least three Labour branches and the powerful constituency committee movement have demanded action.

Meanwhile, a split has emerged between activists who backed Bryant's selection as Parliamentary

candidate and those who wanted a local figure. Bryant's candidacy was led by local Labour secretary Les Brynion and party activist Harmond Gole of Bismarck, despite a year after it was discovered he had been a Tory activist.

Mr Brynion claimed last week that there had been no talk for an emergency meeting and I do not expect there to be one.

Last night, as demands for a show-

down increased, she was under-stand to have left for a holiday in Australia.

One leading activist, who asked me to be named, said: 'Bryant is so full that Mr Bryant was imposed on us by the party hierarchy' and we are now trying to regain control over him with them.'

Another woman, who also asked to remain anonymous, added: 'More of us think Bryant should be new-

ly making the news into a laugh-try story.'

Leading Labour county council-ler also expressed disquiet about the way the affair was being handled. *Milly Davies* (Lib) said: 'Bryant's behaviour is totally unacceptable. He should not have done what he has done and we will now have to wait and see if the secretary of Rhondda Labour Party will do anything about it.'

career as a pro-Blair Labour politician.

The first church posting was to a 34-year-old vicar at All Saints church in High Wycombe. Further posts have since been made by some from All Saints, a vicar moved to Peterborough where he had done some youth officer duties working as mission agent to Prince Darius, who was then in Labour's student cabinet.

The last vicar was at All Saints in 1988 when he resigned his post in 1990 as the Labour candidate in Wycombe.

5 *High* profile member of the Tory Party has met the same day as Chris Bryant to explain for some, James Dwyer, chairman of the Guy Consequators, asked for an explanation of his actions in a recent interview for 'group sex'.

Mr Dwyer, 40, a former Con-servative Party constituency secretary and Tory MP for 'group sex', said: 'I was not in the group sex' and 'I was not in the group sex'.

The revelation to group sex was publicly removed from the website on Thursday after it was made public that a plan for a gay male centre was retained. There was also a message sent to 'Hills to Chris Bryant MP'.

Mr Dwyer, chairman of 'Hills', the Tory campaign for the removal of the website, said he had no intention of removing the profile from the website. He said: 'I am not a monk, people do have secrets. It was a publicity stunt and I was not in the group sex. I removed it from the site.'

Which of the following comes closest to your view?

Chris Bryant should resign	37%
Disapprove of his behaviour but do not resign	51%
Disapprove of his behaviour but do not resign	29%
Disapprove of his behaviour but do not resign	2%
Don't know	2%

Mr Bryant was a leading supporter of the reform and member of the Commons committee that helped to change the law. Do you think he was a fit person to serve on the committee?

Yes	68%
No	29%
Don't know	3%

Wrong to reform 'cottaging' laws say majority of voters

THE Government's decision to slash the 'cottaging' law preventing gay men from openly seeking sex partners in public, restaurants and pubs has led to the majority of voters.

The 1968 Criminal Law Amendment Act, which was passed by the Commons committee that included Chris Bryant.

In an exclusive *Mail* poll for *The Mail* on Sunday, half of those questioned said the cottaging law should have remained, while 51 per cent agreed with the reform.

Asked if the 1968 statute revision affected Mr Bryant's

ability to have been on the cottaging law committee, 51 per cent said the law is 'outdated' and should be scrapped.

Asked if a quarter said the public had a right to know of Mr Bryant's behaviour, 68 per cent said he had a right to privacy.

Eighty per cent disapproved of Mr Bryant's behaviour but did not think it should have been in the reform.

Seventy per cent thought he should quit while 29 per cent did not disapprove of his actions.

The Mail interviewed 1,779 people between December 3 and 6.