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Blakebrook & Habberley South – February 2021

LOCAL NEWS AND UPDATE ON LOCALISM

Kidderminster Town Council came into being in 2016 and since then your Conservative Group has worked hard to develop and grow your Town Council.

WE ARE PLEASED to support the potential transfer of Brinton Park, White Wickets Park, Springfield Park and St George's Park to Kidderminster Town Council to ensure these essential open spaces are protected for the enjoyment of all.

Cllr David Ross, Leader of the Conservative Group on Kidderminster Town Council, has worked hard as part of the negotiating team, and successfully pushed any transitional funding from the District Council, to make sure that any precept changes needed will be as low as possible.

Cllr Juliet Smith said, "We know that we are all living through very hard times at the moment so protecting the parks for families to use and minimising precept changes are both important for us".

Your Town Council Conservative Group will continue to painstakingly go through the transfer details to make sure residents get the best possible deal and subject to full legal and financial due diligence, and all information we have requested provided by WFDC promptly, we look forward to protecting these assets for the future.



PARKING CHARGES MUST STOP!

PARKING CHARGES must be cut to help businesses recover.

UK Councils have raked in almost £900 million profit from fees. This vast sum was generated during the early part of the Covid pandemic and first lockdown!

We have repeatedly urged WFDC to help local businesses by bringing back the one hour of free car parking across all WFDC-owned car parks in the Town Centre and getting rid of the extension of car parking charges to 9pm.

But, WFDC is still not listening. With local businesses struggling through a third lockdown ... when is WFDC going to take action to help them?



WE STAND FOR ...

- ◇ Holding the Progressive Alliance-led Wyre Forest District Council (WFDC) to account to protect the interests of Kidderminster residents.
- ◇ Stopping the Progressive Alliance-led WFDC from dumping services onto Kidderminster Town Council at a cost to you as Kidderminster residents.
- ◇ Working to make sure Kidderminster residents do not have to pay twice for the same service.
- ◇ Working closely with Town Council officers to secure funding from the Heritage Lottery Fund to protect the future of your much-loved and historic Town Hall.

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HEMMING STREET RESURFACING

Carriageway resurfacing works will be taking place for Hemming Street. Thanks to County Cllr Tracey Onslow for pushing WCC Highways to do this work.

SOMETHING TO LOOK FORWARD TO ...

Cllr Juliet Smith, Julian Phillips and Edward Stokes are all delighted to hear that Kidderminster Town Council will be planning events and celebrations for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee in 2022.

NEW TEAM MEMBER ...

We are delighted to welcome Edward Stokes to the team. He lives in the heart of the ward and is self-employed with a successful career in graphic design.



See our BHS Facebook page @BHSConservatives for a clip from the meeting and visit @WestMerciaPCC for more information on PCC activities

DISCUSSING WARD ISSUES WITH JOHN CAMPION, PCC

Town Cllr Juliet Smith, recently 'met' (virtually) with Police and Crime Commissioner, John Campion and ward colleague Cllr Tracey Onslow. A range of policing issues were discussed, including the 300 more police officers we now have in West Mercia (compared to 2016; with 91 more being recruited this year) and the PCC's invaluable support for SmartWater — a unique property marking kit.

More specifically, the value of SmartWater for Greatfield Road was discussed and your Conservative BHS team will look to roll this out as soon as Covid-19 allows.

LOCAL SCOUTS GET NEW PATH TO HUT

Conservative team member Julian Phillips, Cllr Tracey Onslow and the rest of the Blakebrook & Habberley South team are delighted that a new path has been built connecting the car park on Habberley Road with the 8th Wyre Forest Scout Hut, on the far side of Habberley Playing Fields.

Children and parents will no longer be forced to walk through mud when accessing the Scout Hut during the winter.

The path is primarily funded by money that has been raised by the Scout Group, supported by a £1,000 grant from Cllr Onslow's Community Leadership Fund.

With Cllr Onslow's assistance, local party volunteer and member of the Scout Group's Executive Committee, Julian Phillips, has negotiated with Wyre Forest District Council to acquire permission for the path to cross council land.



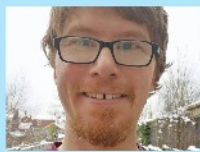
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