# Our Plan For Wyre Forest



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End parking charges after 6pm; restore onehour free parking to one car park in each of our three towns; and reduce the cost of annual car parking permits for over 65s.

### Increase the number of Civil **Enforcement Officers**

Increasing our Civil Enforcement team from six to seven will enable us to better deal with illegal parking on our estates and in our villages.

#### **Safeguard Bewdley Museum** /3

Bewdley Museum is the Council's flagship museum and we guarantee that it is safe in our hands. We will look at ways to enhance its offer.

## **Double our Environmental Protection Officers**

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We will increase the number of Environmental Protection Officers from two to four to tackle littering, fly-tipping and dog fouling.

#### Working collaboratively with Parish and Town councils

Work hand-in-hand with our Town and Parish Councils to improve local services important to you.

#### 6 **Reintroduce cultural events across** the District

Using our parks and open spaces, we will provide festivals and music events (such as Bands in the Park) as well as offering a range of activities for children.







Wyre Forest Conservatives' exciting plan to bring energy, compassion and enthusiasm back to our District.

Restore PRIDE in our District by removing the CHAOS of the Labour, Green and Independent controlled council



## Heritage Assets

To ensure that the Guildhall, Museum and Jubilee Gardens are safeguarded for future generations with minimal cost to the tax payer.



## **Flood Defences**

18 months from the Government's announcement of £6.2 million for Wribbenhall flood defences, a design has been drawn up and approved by planning.



## Supporting Local Businesses We will support our local economy by

working with our traders to ensure our town continues to thrive for both residents and tourists.



## **Return One-Hour Free Parking** Provide one hour of free parking in the Town and scrap charges after 6pm, reversing the Labour, Green and Independent parking policy.



## 20 is Plenty

The 20mph Speed Limit for the Town Centre will be going to public consultation in Spring. This proposed zone will hopefully cross the bridge into the conservation area of Wribbenhall.



### Fly tipping / litter Important services have been reduced and we will return litter squads and target anti-social littering with more enforcement.

## John BYNG **Paul HARRISON**

## A strong local team for Wribbenhall and Arley





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Use your 2 votes to elect  $\mathbf{X}$ 

We will work tirelessly all year round on the issues important to vou.

We will work collaboratively with the Town Council to offer support on local issues and will continue to attend its meetings regularly.

We will continue to defend our Green Belt and tackle issues important to our community.

## **Conservatives**





### **APPROVED VOTER ID**

One of the following:

- Passport
- Driving Licence
- Over 65 Bus Pass
- Voter Authority Certificate

#### Dear Resident,

## As your local Councillors, we, John Byng and Paul Harrison, are seeking your support to return to Wyre Forest District Council to represent the ward.

For the last 4 years the Labour, Green and Independent administration has increased planning pressures on our Green Belt. We voted against the Local Plan and stood up for our community. The Local Plan used inflated housing numbers which unnecessarily increased the number of houses being built in the Green Belt.

Wyre Forest District Council has been pushing its 'Localism' agenda for the last 4 years; the idea being that the Town and Parish Councils take on functions that belong to the District Council at the Town or Parish's expense. These services are those which local taxpayers have already paid for in their District Council Tax. Bewdley Town Council has taken on Borough House which is now owned by the Town, Riverside North Park, our only park in Wribbenhall, and the Load Street public toilets.

The Labour, Independent and Green Councillor administration, at Wyre Forest House, fails to support our residents and businesses. This administration has increased parking charges, including the over 65 permit, and removed all free parking from our town centres. Under a Conservative administration we will return one-hour free parking, reduce parking permit fee for over 65s and return free parking after 6pm. This will enable our residents who wish to support our local businesses in the town to do so.

We believe in delivering front-line services that are important to you, and will work collaboratively with the Town and Parish Councils in the ward. The current administration has reduced the funding it gives to Parish Councils and we are determined that if elected we would restore pride in our Town.

Our promise to you, is that we will work hard for you all year round, if you just spare 5 minutes to vote for us.

Yours faithfully,

John Byng and Paul Harrison For Wribbenhall and Arley ward

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John Byng Paul Harrison

## What is at stake in Wribbenhall and Arley at this

## election?

Together we have made real progress on delivering for Wribbenhall, but there is still much more to do. So, for a strong and effective local team that will get things done, vote for John Byng and Paul Harrison on Thursday, 4<sup>th</sup> May.

## **Protecting Our Green Belt**

Our Green Belt is at stake under a Labour/Green/Independent led Council. On 26th April 2022 they approved the Local Plan. Having a Local Plan is vital and indeed a legal requirement and whilst some release from the Green Belt was inevitable we believe that the current Council administration has released far too much Green Belt land for development. This is something the Conservative Group did not support.

A Conservative-led Council would increase

Environmental Protection Officers to tackle

fly-tipping which has increased in the area.



The Conservative Group at District Council did not support the inflated housing requirement which out unnecessary pressure on the Green Belt.





## Your Priorities are our Priorities

We will address issues that are important to you by prioritising front-line services (such as street cleaning); tackling fly tipping and dog fouling; and addressing illegal parking. By investing far more heavily in officers, we can tackle these issues on the ground.

We will also work tirelessly to ensure that you get your fair share of services, such as litter picking and bin emptying. WFDC has cut the funding it gives to Town and Parish Councils to carry out this work – even though it has a statutory duty to undertake it - and this is something we oppose.

## For a hardworking team that will get things done for Wribbenhall and Arley vote Conservative on Thursday, 4<sup>th</sup> May 2023.

assets with no reduction in its council tax.

## **Supporting Our Town Council**

The current District Council has reduced the support and services it provides. The precept for Bewdley Town Council is having to increase to support the assets that the District Council has abandoned. Three and a half years ago, the District Council demanded that Bewdley Town Council took over the Guildhall. Museum and Queen Elizabeth II Gardens, offering only a swiftly reducing grant and expecting the Town Council to just raise its precept to cover the additional costs.

We will support our assets but the tax payer must not be unduly burdened.

## Your Conservative Town Council Candidates



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We believe in safeguarding our unique heritage in Bewdley for future generations.