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NEWSLETTER



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"If only all ministers answered questions like Anna Soubry does." David Aaronovitch, The Times
"she has a record of unusually free speech" Simon Carr, The Independent
"the beating heart of the parliamentary Tory party" Quentin Letts, The Daily Mail

Hello again

I hope you are enjoying the Bank Holiday break and today's good weather.

I have some interesting events for your diary especially tomorrows Greasley Gathering and Project Zulu at the Chilwell Arts Theatre on Thursday (scroll on down and then use the links to view full details of both events).

Parliament rose on Tuesday after the third reading of the Same Sex Marriage Bill which now goes to the Lords. I will be sending a special email newsletter to everyone who has contacted me about the Bill later this week. I will explain why I voted to support Same sex Marriage.

The murder on Wednesday of Drummer Lee Rigby in Woolwich was both horrific and shocking. The attacks on mosques and Muslims that followed were totally unjustified; I am also concerned that certain Islamist extremists, who bear much of the blame for polluting and perverting the minds of a small minority of young male Muslims, are receiving far too much publicity.

We need to take urgent action to understand and eradicate the causes of the type of terrorism we witnessed in Woolwich this week, as well as keeping our servicemen and women safe on and off duty.

As ever,
Anna

Transport Minister visits HS2 route

Transport Minister, Simon Burns visited the planned route of HS2 through Broxtowe this week.

I took Simon to Toton Sidings, Nuthall, Strelley Village and to Trowell.

I will post a more detailed report on the web site. But in short he saw where the route will run and how it will impact on a number of homes. Simon also made it plain there will be a full consultation with residents before the route is finalised.



I was keen to show Simon Toton Sidings so he appreciated why the land enjoyed by residents is so precious and also to discuss the huge potential the planned East Midlands hub will bring to the area. Simon spent time in Strelley Village and at Nottingham Road in Nuthall where the line will run parallel to the M1.



Green Belt give away begins

Broxtowe Borough Council has now agreed the final stages of its plans for future development in the constituency. The "Core Strategy" document will be examined by the Planning Inspector at a public inquiry.

Conservative Councillors were the only ones to vote against the plan as it accepts a housing target of 6,150 houses and with only enough brown field land for 3-3,500 the rest will be built on our Green Belt. The plan also puts forward Green Belt land for development before brown field sites.

The ruling Labour / Lib Dem group are acting in the name of "localism" and so I fear it will be very difficult for the Government to intervene.

As a consequence of the refusal of Broxtowe's ruling group to stand up for the people they are meant to represent, developers continue to draw up and submit plans for thousands of houses on our Green Belt land.

Woodhouse Way - public meeting

The outline application for Woodhouse Way has been amended; the plans are now for 555 houses instead of 734, despite plans to build HS2 through the land. The consultation deadline is 29th May and you can have your say by clicking [here](#)

There is a public meeting to oppose these plans at Mornington Primary School, on **Saturday 15th June, 3 pm-4 pm**. We will also be discussing the planning application on City Council land and plans to build approximately 300 houses there.

EU move to protect bees

I have sent a special bee mail newsletter to the many people who have contacted me about the declining bee population. As a strong supporter of the honey bee and bumble bee I know how important bees are, accounting for 80% of insect plant pollination.

The EU has announced that from December there will be a two year ban on three pesticides believed to be particularly harmful to bees. The insecticides - imidacloprid, clothianidin, and thiamethoxam are used to treat seeds, are applied to the soil or sprayed on plants and cereals attractive to bees.

The banning of neonicotinoids is controversial because the experts do not agree on the evidence or the science - this is why the EU has decided on a two year ban.



Bid to save the New White Bull

The New White Bull Pub in Giltbrook is faced with being sold off by Greene King. With currently over 160 signatures on the petition to stop the loss of this much loved community pub, I have written to Greene King asking them to reconsider their decision given the strength of feeling locally. I will keep you posted.



Have your say on the future of Kimberley Brewery Site

There will be a public meeting on the updated plans to develop the Kimberley Brewery Site this Friday May 31st at Holy Trinity Church Hall, Kimberley, between 2 and 7pm.

Metis Developments, will be there to answer inquiries and to gather opinion. I am told the developers are keen for public involvement in the plans and that feedback forms will be available for resident's comments.

Nuthall Post Box

Regular readers may recall the success Cllr Philip Owen and I had in getting a broken Post Box in Nuthall fixed, after many months of waiting, by Royal Mail. Unfortunately a car has crashed into the Post Box, damaging it again. I have written to Royal Mail to request that this is fixed urgently.

Dates for your diary and surgery details

Monday 27th May:

Greasley Gathering

Following last years immensely successful Queen's Diamond Jubilee celebrations many of the best events are now an annual fixture. For full details click [here](#)

Monday 27th May:

Bramcote Conservation Society Informal "Drop in"

9pm, The White Lion (Top House), Town Street, Bramcote.

Thursday 30th May:

Project Zulu Choir Concert

Chilwell Arts Theatre at 7.30pm. Beeston student Rhianna Garside has brought a Zulu Choir to perform in the UK. All proceeds to the Sithobelumthetho Primary School in South Africa (who provided much of the choir) For tickets for this great event contact Teresa Forrest on teresa-forrest@hotmail.co.uk and for full details click [here](#)

Friday 31st May:

Kimberley Brewery Site Meeting

Holy Trinity Church Hall, Kimberley, between 2 and 7pm.

Surgery details:

I hold regular surgeries on Saturday mornings between 10am and 12pm throughout the constituency. I also hold surgeries on Fridays at the constituency office. Please call or email me for an appointment.

and finally...

Sixty soldiers from 62 Works Group Royal Engineers based at Chetwynd Barracks were due home this weekend from a six month tour of Afghanistan. Families have made special banners decorated with hand prints and signed by family members as a special "welcome home". We wish them a well deserved break.

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