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"a decent Conservative" *Kevin McGuire, Daily Mirror*

"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*

"part of the beating heart of the parliamentary Tory party" *Quentin Letts, The Daily Mail*

Hello again,

Parliament returns tomorrow and I will be voting in favour of HS2.

I am pleased that there is all party support in Broxtowe and Nottingham in favour of the East Midlands hub being sited at Toton Sidings.

The Leader of Nottingham City Council, Labour's Jon Collins has publicised his strong support for HS2 recognising the benefits it will bring to Broxtowe and beyond.

HS2 has never been a party political issue in Broxtowe with all Borough Councillors strongly supporting it. Indeed I think I am the only MP with a pro HS2 campaign group. And as a result of representations by South Broxtowe 2020 I have written to the Prime Minister urging him and the Chancellor to consider accelerating the plans for HS2 - the sooner the line to Leeds is built, the better. (Click [here](#) for more details of SB2020).

It is important to remember that a number of homes will be adversely affected by the current route and if the line follows the current plans, it must be deep tunelled at Strelley Village. I continue to advise and help affected householders.

Please scroll on for news and some important information and an interesting item in Wednesday's Times!

As ever,  
Anna

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## HMS Sherwood comes to Broxtowe

The naval Reserves have a new one million pound home in Toton. HMS Sherwood's new building was officially opened yesterday by HRH Prince Michael of Kent. We did get rained on but it was otherwise a great day (I've included a link to a report in the Nottingham Post).

Prince Michael had hosted a reception at County Hall the previous evening to thank local employers who hire and support Reserves and to encourage more employers to recruit Reservists. I was there as both a local MP and the Minister responsible for Reserves.



[Click here for more in the Nottingham Post ...](#)

[Click here to find out more about the Naval Reserves at HMS Sherwood...](#)

## QMC visit

My thanks to constituent Alison Atkinson who is the head of Midwifery at the QMC and City Hospitals for a whistle stop tour of the excellent services at the QMC (it brought back many memories as both my daughters were born at Queens). We had a frank chat about staffing levels. With more women having their babies later and more having complicated medical conditions Alison makes a good argument we need to change the current staffing "formula". It is something I will take up with NHS England.



## Stapleford Community Champion thanked at No. 10

Stapleford's excellent campaigner Richard MacRae was my choice when the Prime Minister asked for "Community Champions" to invite to Downing Street for a special reception.

I introduced Richard to the PM and he (that's Richard) didn't hesitate to tell him about his work on behalf of his community. Richard also told the PM about the campaign to stop housing development on Field Farm. Richard was recently elected as an Independent Councillor on Stapleford Town Council. The Community Group Richard founded has organised a coach trip to Parliament at the end of May and full details are on the web site (see below).

[Click here to book your seat...](#)

## Toton's future - have your say

I have written to every home in Toton and Chilwell Meadows about the future of their Green Belt land. Broxtowe Borough Council plans to allow a minimum of 500 houses, though I believe in reality it will be thousands; the Council's public consultation closes next Wednesday April 30. I very much hope that everyone with a view will take part; to be honest having your say via Broxtowe Borough Council's web site is ludicrously difficult so I have provided alternatives in my letter to constituents. If you want any further advice or assistance please email me on

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## Tram works compensation

As you may know, following my campaign the County Council has now agreed to consider applications for financial assistance from all small businesses affected by the tram works.

Any business which believes it has been affected by the tram works should email the County Council at [net.enquiries@nottsc.gov.uk](mailto:net.enquiries@nottsc.gov.uk) with details of how the works have affected trade.

I believe we need more money in the pot to make sure everyone is properly compensated. Accordingly, I am still collecting signatures for my petition to the County Council. If you have still not signed the petition, you can do so in many of Beeston and Chilwell's shops or online on my website.

[Click here to sign the petition](#)

## Beeston Rylands

I am pleased that developers in Beeston Rylands have listened to submissions I made on behalf of residents. A large number of people contacted me and I met many at a "drop in" surgery a few weeks ago.

The developers original plans were for a two storey social and sports club on the Trent Vale Sports Ground.

The plans submitted to the Borough Council are apparently far more sensible with a single storey sports club at the Ground that maintains the privacy of residents and a new Social Club by the station. My thanks to everyone who contacted me and I will send out more details when I have them.

## **Apprenticeships increase**

The number of apprenticeships in Broxtowe has grown from 300 during 2010-11 to 410 in 2012-13. I took on an apprenticeship but it didn't last long. Charlotte was so good I offered her a job and she is now in charge of Admin in the office.

Apprenticeships don't always result in full time work but they do offer proper training and work experience giving a young person skills and a real opportunity to enter the world of work.

## **Pot Hole Money**

The Government has given Nottinghamshire an extra one and half million pounds to repair pot holes in the County. I am sure you are looking forward to seeing and feeling the benefits!

## ***What's on in Broxtowe and surgery details***

Wednesday 30 April

### **Combat Bullying - Charity Fashion Show**

7pm

Village Hotel, Brailsford Way, Chilwell

For more details please click [here](#).

Saturday 3 May

### **Appointment only advice surgery - Stapleford**

12-2pm

Please call the office on 0115 943 6507 to make an appointment.

### **Notts South West Scouts' Concert**

7.30pm

Trent Vale Infants School, Trent Road, Beeston

Please click [here](#) for more details.

Saturday 3 May to Saturday 10 May

### **Footsteps Festival**

Part of Broxtowe Borough Council's get walking week. There will be a host of events throughout the week, for the full programme please click [here](#).

Thursday 8 May

### **Bramcote Old Church Tower AGM**

7.30pm

St Michael's Church, Bramcote

All welcome

Friday 9 May

### **Village Ventures presents - The Second Minute**

7.30pm

Chilwell Arts Theatre, Chilwell School, NG9 5AL

Please click [here](#) for more details.

### **Beeston and District Civic Society - Open Meeting**

7.30pm

The Junior School Hall, John Clifford School, Nether Street, Beeston

Please click [here](#) for more details.

Saturday 10 May

**Bramcote Old Church Tower - Dance Night**

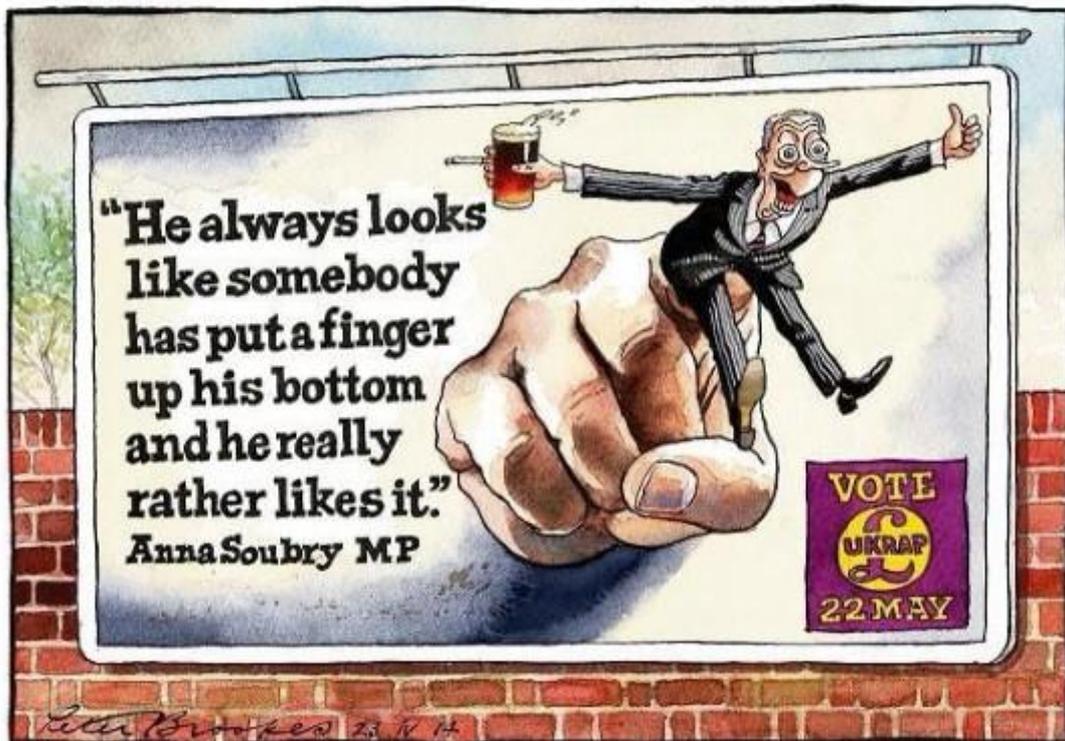
7:30pm

Memorial Hall, Bramcote

Tickets are £10 and all proceeds raised will go to the restoration of the Tower. For details on how to book a ticket please click [here](#).

And finally .....

This was Wednesday's cartoon in The Times!



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