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Military action in Iraq

Parliament has voted overwhelmingly to authorise air strikes in Iraq at the request of the Iraq Government. 524 MP's, including myself, voted in favour with 43 MP's against

You can read debate in Hansard by clicking [here](#) for the link to Parliament's web site and [here](#) for the debate though this may not work for a few hours.

Can I thank everyone who has contacted me in the last 24 hours. I have read every email and where possible replied personally.

I would like to assure you that following this afternoon's vote there will now be careful and considered action, not some "shock and awe" campaign. Britain will work with a growing international force including at least five Middle Eastern countries and a number of fellow European countries. We anticipate Australia and Canada will also join the military alliance.

Air strikes will not be authorised if they pose any risk to any civilians - and I know many constituents have been keen to stress the importance of protecting civilians in Iraq.

As the Prime Minister made clear, our campaign to eradicate ISIL includes working with other Middle Eastern countries, assisting Iraq in being an inclusive, democratic society and ensuring their army is an effective combat force on the ground. We will also continue to work with the Kurdish Peshmerga. The campaign includes continuing to take tough measures in the UK to seize the passports from those seeking to join ISIL and working with our Muslim community to stop the spread of extreme jihadist ideology, which runs contrary to the principles of Islam. We will also continue to supply humanitarian aid, which currently stands at £23 million, to help people who have fled from the terror that is ISIL.

Deciding to commit our service men and women to the theatre of war is not taken lightly and I am pleased there was widespread support today for the Government's motion.

I wish you a good weekend.
As ever,
Anna



Cllr. Halimah Khaled "making a stand"

Toton Councillor, Halimah Khaled joined the Home Secretary, Theresa May, as part of the campaign to persuade young Muslims not to support terror groups, like ISIL. Halimah has been doing terrific work in the local Muslim community and "making a stand" is part of the national effort.

New war memorial in Nuthall

On Sunday I attended the dedication of a new War Memorial to honour all of those who lost their lives in the service of our country. The Memorial is in the far corner of Basis Russell playing fields. Canon Barbara Holbrook and Reverend Steve Bennett led the dedication service; the new War Memorial has been erected by Nuthall Parish Council.

Swimming Club closes due to controversial plans

I am sorry to report that the Bramcote Saturday Swimming Club finishes tomorrow, and there are now fears about the future of Kimberley Swimming Club. I have discovered that Broxtowe Borough Council has plans to change current arrangements for our swimming clubs at both Bramcote and Kimberley Leisure Centre.

As a result I met Cllr Ian Tyler and his official to discuss this urgent problem, which has not been debated or even considered by the Council's Councillors.

Ian has agreed to meet all the clubs affected by the proposals and thrash out a mutually acceptable way forward that will ensure the future of our Swimming Clubs. The matter will also be properly debated at Broxtowe's next Cabinet meeting. I fear it is too late to save the Saturday Club but I will continue to do all I can to ensure the future of our remaining great Clubs.



High Road earlier this week

Tram works update

It is difficult to forecast when the roads in Beeston will reopen and it is clear to many that the opening is going to be delayed by many months.

There will be overnight road closures this weekend on Toton Lane and at Bardills island.

I am meeting representatives of TWA to try and resolve the many issues over fencing along the route in Chilwell.

Community champion, Alison Dobbs came to see me at the

Constituency Office with a long list of problems that continue to blight life on Lower/Fletcher and Albert Roads. I have raised them all with NET and TWA and will report back to Alison.

[Click here to join the Tram Ranting Room on Facebook...](#)

Result!

Credit where credit is due. A constituent missed his Intercity coach because of the tramworks, which delayed his Trent Barton bus. We wrote to Trent Barton asking for advice. Even though it wasn't their fault they have paid out to compensate the hapless traveller. Well done Trent Barton and thank you!

Kingsbridge Way meeting

Thank you to everyone who attended Tuesday evening's meeting. The campaign continues to save the respite unit from closing and I am pleased to see local County Councillors Richard Jackson and Steve Carr working together in an effort to reverse the County's decision.

More good news for Stapleford

A new shop opens in Stapleford this coming week. "Tailored for you" offers an alteration service and bespoke tailoring at 13, Nottingham Road. I wish Amy all success in her venture, which is a small independent business and a sign that Stapleford's fortunes are on the up!

What's on in Broxtowe and surgery details

Sunday 28 September

Plant sale and coffee morning

10am til 12 noon

Where: 3 Edale Rise, Toton

all proceeds go to save Broxtowe's Green Belt land.

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Monday 29 September and every Monday in October

Tea for Two

10am and 1pm

Where: Voluntary Action Broxtowe Oban House, 8 Chilwell Road, Beeston.

What's on: Everyone is welcome but places must be pre booked. Please click [here](#) for full details.

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Older persons week, you're never too old.

What's on: From Monday 29th to Saturday 4th October there will be a range of events taking place this year to celebrate older people's day. Please visit my [website](#) for the full line up.

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Friday 3 October

Forever Stars Gala Dinner

7pm

Where: East Midlands Conference Centre.

What's on: Event in aid of Beeston based charity Forever Stars Charity. Tickets are £45pp, for more information please email richard.daniels@mac.com. All proceeds to help build facilities for parents at the QMC who have suffered a still birth.

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Sunday 5 October

Kimberley and District Striders 10K Goose Fair Gallop

10am

Where: Race starts at Kimberley leisure Centre.

What's on: The event involves a 10 Kilometre run along roads, bridle ways and path ways. For full details please click [here](#).

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Wednesday 8 October

Dig In - Stapleford

10am till 12 noon

Where: Albany Allotments site, Pasture Road, Stapleford NG9 8HZ.

What's on: Dig In is Stapleford's community allotment, where people from different ages and backgrounds come together to share skills, knowledge and experience of food growing.

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Nuthall and Kimberley Memory Group

10:15 till 12 noon

Where: Rumbletums Café, Kimberley.

What's on: Self-help group meeting to offer support to dementia suffers and their carers.

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Blue Plaque Unveiling - Beeston Station

11:30am

Where: The Victoria on Dovecote Lane, under the awning.

What's on: Sir Neil Cossons, former Chairman of English Heritage and a Senior Staff member of East Midlands Trains will unveil the Plaque. Please click [here](#) for more details.

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Friday 10 October

World Sight Day - Notts - Derby Hemlockstone Lions Club

10am till 4pm

Where: Stapleford Care Centre, Church Street.

What's on: Celebrating Lions Sight Awareness Week, in trying to prevent sight loss and helping those people with sight loss and impaired vision. They are hoping to attract companies, charities and people involved with sight problems along to the event as well as the general public.

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Saturday 11 October

Autumn Fair - Attenborough and Chilwell Women's Club

10am till 12 noon

Where: Attenborough Village Hall.

What's on: Autumn Fair where proceeds go to local charities, there will be stalls, refreshments, raffle, tombola and much more.

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Classical Oxjam

7pm

Where: Beeston Parish Church.

What's on:

A varied evening of Classical music. Please click [here](#) for full details.

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Monday 13 October

"Alfie The Great" - Charity night

6pm till 11pm

Where: Cinnamon Indian Restaurant, 124 Derby Road, Stapleford, NG97AY.

What's on: Alfie is a young boy who was recently diagnosed with leukaemia, Cinnamon Indian Restaurant is holding a charity night where proceeds will be donated to his family. Please click [here](#) for the full details.

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Saturday 18 October

Appointment only advice surgery - Stapleford

10am till 12noon

Please call the Constituency Office to make and appointment.

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Friends of Bramcote Old Church Tower - Quiz Night

7:30pm

Where: Bramcote Memorial Hall.

What's on: Quiz Night, tickets are £10pp which includes a jacket potato with fillings, tea and coffee. Please click [here](#) for full details.

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Monday 20 October

Beeston Wildlife Group meeting - Golden Eagle Futures

7:30pm till 9:30pm

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

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