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## Anna Soubry MP working hard for Broxtowe

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Hello again,

This was Chilwell Road in Beeston at this morning. With just a few days notice residents were told that from today and for the next five Sundays the tram works will be all day every day right outside their homes. There is no respite despite an assurance from the leader of the Borough Council that no such agreement had been made. Well it has and it is intolerable.



The long suffering patience of good decent folk in Beeston and Chilwell is gone - there is now genuine anger and people have simply had enough. We are fed up with the broken promises - we have been trying to live and work in the tramworks for well over a year.



From Lower, Fletcher and Albert Road I received very serious complaints yesterday that access was impossible for emergency vehicles. I immediately contacted the police who visited the area. NET's response was to take a look sometime next week.

Despite the promises, the Borough Council now plans to close Beeston bus station. It's the stuff of madness making a mockery of the quite proper principle that connectivity is the key to great public transport.

Shops and businesses have reached the brink of financial ruin; In Beeston Square businesses have the double whammy of the tram works and development works. We are in real danger of losing some of our best shops.



Meanwhile the County Council remains determined not to add to the existing pot of money and continues to deny traders compensation. My thanks to everyone who has signed my petition - over 3,000 signatures in just a few weeks calling for compensation for all small businesses affected by the tram works. I presented it to Councillors Jackson, Carr and Doddy yesterday morning who in turn will present it at Thursday's County Council meeting.

*Presenting the petition with over 3,000 signatures to County Councillors Richard Jackson, Steve Carr and John Doddy.*

I am pleased City Council leader Jon Collins is able to meet next Friday to discuss all these matters. The leader of Notts County Council has also agreed to meet on the same day. Milan Radulovic has also agreed to meet residents wanting a 3m fence to restore their privacy and security.

So I am making progress - but on Thursday Notts County Council can really make a difference and support motions from Cllrs Steve Carr, Richard Jackson and John Doddy and do the right thing by our residents and businesses. It's good to see the Conservatives and Lib Dems working together for their community and a real shame Labour just can't bring themselves to work with us.

### **Kimberley Tram plans**

Meanwhile Kimberley's Labour Borough Councillors are looking for sponsorship to create their own plans for a tram line out to the Ikea Retail Park and beyond! I think trams make for good public transport but only when they are properly planned and constructed. I wouldn't wish what has happened in Beeston and Chilwell on any other part of the constituency.



### **Awsorth School's 5K Fun Run**

It took me 41 minutes to complete the Awsorth charity run in aid of the CLIC Sargent children's cancer charity.

It was fun though I am suffering now! My thanks to the team, Cllr. Dr John Doddy and Natasha Johnson-Richards and her son Akhil. There was an excellent turn out and congratulations to Awsorth Primary for such a well organised and great event.

A special mention for Awsorth's great Borough Councillor Lydia Ball, who has hung up her running shoes and was marshalling this year.



[Click here to read more about CLIC Sargent.....](#)

### **Kimberley Freedom Parade - next Saturday**

Please join everyone at 11am in Kimberley on Saturday 17 May, for the Freedom of the

Borough parade of our service men and women based at Chetwynd Barracks who have served in Afghanistan. There will also be a special parade of veterans from the Royal Engineers.

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

### **Broxtowe's new Mayor**

Long serving Bramcote Councillor, Stan Heptinstall has been installed as our new Mayor. We should all bid a fond farewell to Cllr. Iris White who has completed her year as Mayor of Broxtowe. Iris has served us very well and I hope she enjoys a well deserved rest with her family.



### **Attenborough Parking update**

I will be meeting East Midlands Trains in the next few weeks to find a solution to rail passenger's parking in the village. I have written (again) to Notts County Council and asked them to attend. So far their response is a plan for double yellow lines which will just push the problem further into Attenborough. I have also written to Cemex to see if they have any land which could be used as a station car park. I will keep you updated.

### **Stapleford Carnival - can the parade be saved?**

Stapleford Town Councillor Richard MacRae is working with others to see if the Carnival Parade can be held this year. It seems that they need to find about £1500 to marshal and organise the event which is an important part of the Carnival. This years Carnival is on Saturday 6th September.



### **Working for you in Parliament**

I added my name to a statement from women MP's condemning the kidnapping of hundreds of school girls in northern Nigeria. We welcomed the work the Government has done thus far in supporting the Nigerian Government and look forward to these young women being reunited with their families as a matter of urgency.

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

Thursday 15 - Saturday 17 May

### **Beeston Players presents - Murder in Play**

7:30pm

Round Hill School, Foster Avenue, Beeston, NH9 1AE

Beeston Players will present an armature production in association with Samuel French Ltd. Tickets on the door cost £6 and £5 for concession.

Saturday 17 May

### **Freedom of Entry Parade - Kimberley**

11am

Kimberley Town Centre

Around 150 soldiers from 170 Infrastructure Support Engineer Group Royal Engineers, based at Chetwynd Barracks, together with veterans from the Royal Engineers Association will march through Kimberley, giving locals an opportunity to salute them as they carry out a special Military Parade.

### **Guided walk around Attenborough Nature Reserve**

10am till 1pm

Meeting at Attenborough Nature Centre Car Park

As part of Beeston's Wildlife Groups 'Free Walks and Talks' events.

Saturday 31 May

### **Drop-in Surgery - Chilwell**

10am till 12noon

The Cadland, 342 High Road, Chilwell, NG9 5EG

Your opportunity to meet with me to discuss any issues you may have.

And finally .....

The leader of Broxtowe Borough Councils Lib Dems, Cllr. David Watts is his party's candidate in the Newark by election. I hope he finds the time to say hello to my mum who lives in Tuxford - I am sure she will offer him a cup of tea and a bun. Mind you given the house has been turned into the Conservative campaign HQ for the northern part of the constituency he might not fancy it! On a recent visit to Newark I noticed our great Giltbrook Blue Monkey Brewery has a new Organ Grinder in the town. The BG Sips was up to its normal high standard!

"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*

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