



***Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year
from
Anna and the team***



Congratulations to Brad Allaway who has won this years' Christmas Card competition. Brad is a pupil at St John's C of E Primary School in Stapleford and his winning design has been sent to 13,000 people by post and email.

My thanks to all the schools and pupils who took part. The runners up are Henry Jack from Awworth Primary, Thomas Cragg from Bramcote C of E Primary, Mae Granville from Banks Road Primary in Toton, Hannah McGowan from Chetwynd Primary also in Toton, Reuben Mason of St John's C of E, Paige Manton from Greasley Beauvale and Marina McNicholls from John Clifford Primary in Beeston.

Snap Christmas in Broxtowe!

Next year's competition is open to everyone in the constituency and I would like your entries now! Please send me your photographs of Christmas and New Year in Broxtowe. The winner will feature on the front of next year's Christmas Card.

There have been as many congratulations as complaints about the various Christmas activities organised by Broxtowe Borough Council. I share the concerns as well as the successes. There will be a proper debrief with lessons learnt so we get the very best celebrations next Christmas.

Runners up



Thomas Cragg
Bramcote C of E Primary School
Age 10



Reuben Mason
St John's C of E Primary School
Age 10



Henry Jack
Awworth Primary & Nursery School
Age 6



Mae Granville
Banks Road Infant & Nursery School
Age 6



Paige Manton
Greasley Beauvale Primary School
Age 7



Hannah McGowan
Chetwynd Primary Academy
Age 10



Marina McNicholls
John Clifford Primary School
Age 7

Helipad success

It didn't attract much attention but in last month's Autumn Statement the Chancellor announced the full £1.3 million to fund a helipad at the QMC. I had supported the proposal and urged Philip Hammond to fund the project which will save lives.

Anonymity of suspects in criminal investigations

A number of high profile people have been subjected to wholly false allegations in recent times. Their distress has been compounded by the media publishing their names and details of the allegations; the ensuing distress and damage to the reputation of the accused and their family are immeasurable.

I tried to change the law back in 2011 so that all suspects remain anonymous until they are charged. In certain circumstances, notably when there is a need for other victims to come forward, the police could apply to a Judge for an order to name the suspect. My 'right to anonymity' is not confined to allegations of a sexual nature but to all criminal investigations and would provide protection for everyone not just the famous.

I raised the matter at Prime Minister's Questions this week and got an encouraging response from Theresa May. Afterwards MP's from all parties expressed their support. I will now campaign to change the law and make this one of my priorities next year.

Attenborough rail crossings

My thanks to Attenborough residents including Councillor Eric Kerry, for informing me about Network Rail's plans to close most of the crossings in the village. If correct, the two week consultation (over Christmas and New Year!) is not acceptable nor are the plans to many villagers. I will contact Network Rail on Monday requesting a full and proper consultation. I will of course keep you updated.

A52 anti speed petition gathers hundreds of signatures

There has been terrific support for the petition for speed claiming measures including cameras on the A52 - especially between Bramcote Island and the Priory roundabout. Bramcote Councillor Martin Plackett gave details of the campaign at this week's council meeting and his speech can be read on [Bramcote Today](#).

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The petition follows a fatal accident last month involving a speeding car and has been organised by Bramcote resident Tony Smith.

<< [Sign the petition](#) >>

Parliament tour success

Thank you to everyone who came to Parliament this week to enjoy a tour of both Houses and then some Christmas shopping. It was good to see you all!

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What's on in Broxtowe

Saturday 17 December

Christmas Tree Festival - Beeston

10am till 4pm

Where: St. John the Baptist Church, Beeston.

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Stapleford Christmas Concert - Ilkeston Brass Band

7:15pm

Where: Stapleford Methodist Church, Eatons Road, Stapleford, NG9 7EA.

What's on: Seasonal refreshments will be available, adults £5, children £2.50 for tickets please call 0115 917 2346. Proceeds to the roof repair fund.

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Nottingham Bluecoat Singers Christmas Concert

7:30pm

Where: Nuthall Methodist Church.

What's on: In aid of the Nottinghamshire Hospice. Tickets cost £8 on the door or via Noel on 0115 938 2323 (ticket price includes refreshments).

Sunday 18 December

Christmas Tree Festival Beeston

2pm till 5pm

Where: St. John the Baptist Church, Beeston.

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Christmas Carol Service Chilwell

7pm

Where: Christ Church Chilwell.

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Carols by Candlelight Bramcote

5:30pm and 7:30pm

Where: Saint Michael and All Angels Parish Church.

Monday 19 December

Christmas Tree Festival - Beeston

10am till 3pm

Where: St. John the Baptist Church, Beeston.

What's on: Beautiful lit Christmas trees (refreshments available).

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Traditional Christmas Fun Fair

Midday till 7:30pm

Where: The Old Bus Station and Beeston High Road.

What's on: Full details [here](#).

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Beeston Wildlife Group - talk

7:30pm till 9:30pm

Where: Trent Vale Infants School, Trent Road, Beeston Rylands, NG9 1LP.

What's on: A talk on Antartica, The Falklands and South Georgia, by Tim Melling. Full details [here](#).

Tuesday 20 December

Traditional Christmas Fun Fair

Midday till 7:30pm

Where: The Old Bus Station and Beeston High Road.

What's on: Full details [here](#).

Wednesday 21 December

Wednesday mornings with Dig In Stapleford

10am till 12 noon

Where: Albany Allotments, Pasture Road, Stapleford.

What's on: Full details of this weekly event [here](#).

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Traditional Christmas Fun Fair

Midday till 7:30pm

Where: The Old Bus Station and Beeston High Road.

What's on: Full details [here](#).

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Hope Computer Club

1:30pm till 3:30pm

Where: Hope House, Boundary Road, Beeston.

What's on: For further details of this weekly event please call Michael on 0303 040 1110.

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Kimberley Pensioners Association

1:30pm till 3pm

Where: Kimberley Parish Hall, Newdigate Street, Kimberley.

What's on: Weekly event with bingo, dancing, entertainers etc. Cost is £1 which includes tea and biscuits. For further details please contact Anna on 0115 938 5362.

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Knit, Stitch and Natter

7pm till 9pm

Where: Two for Tea, 92 Derby Road, Stapleford, NG9 7AD.

What's on: Gathering for needlecrafters to share their projects and learn from each other.

Thursday 22 December til Christmas Eve

Traditional Christmas Fun Fair - Beeston

Midday till 7:30pm

Where: The Old Bus Station Beeston High Road.

What's on: Full details [here](#).

Wednesday 28 - Friday 30 December

Nuthall's Neighbourhood Plan Drop In

10am till 2pm

Where: Nuthall Temple Centre.

What's on: The sessions are running from the 28th till 30th December. Copies of the submission document are available from sue@nuthallparishcouncil.co.uk