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Hello again,

There was very good news today for the future of jobs and skills in Broxtowe; the Nottingham Enterprise Zone at the Boots site in Beeston will receive up to £6 million to improve access to and infrastructure at the site. I very much hope this will also enable homes to be built on the site and not on our Green Belt and for more businesses to take advantage of the Boots Enterprise Zone.

This was part of the Government's announcement that tens of millions of pounds from the Local Growth Fund has been allocated to the Nottingham conurbation.

The money earmarked for Nottingham includes a £60 million college in the City Centre which will bring together Central and New College as a huge skills hub to train the workers of the future.

The money is guaranteed beyond the next election guaranteeing we will all feel the benefit whatever the outcome next year.

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### Tram meeting

“Good heavens” said a constituent on Friday as she came into the office to attend my surgery “I didn’t realise how bad the tram works are. No wonder you are always whingeing about them”. Whingeing? I represent my constituents who have endured them for eighteen months in the face of a string of broken promises. It now turns out that days before we were told the tram would not open on time, businesses on Chilwell/High Road were told the exact opposite. This lack of honesty and poor communication is as much a feature of the tram works as the pile drivers, noise,



dust, chaos and disruption.

I am meeting the City Council, the constructors and other relevant parties on Friday; we need honesty about when the roads are going to open for residents and businesses, compensation for those who have suffered and a proper plan to make Beeston a great place to live and work once the tram opens.

### **Fencing farce continues**

I had a rather animated conversation with Milan Radulovic about the height of fences for properties on the tram route. Confusion reigns! Milan assures me he told his officials to allow fences of 3.4 metres (3m fence .4m trellis) The constructors insist on 2.4m. Milan has promised to sort this out and write to me to explain what has been agreed and what will be erected.

### **St John's losses**

St John's in Beeston has seen a dramatic drop in use and therefore revenue during the tram works as couples have cancelled weddings and other ceremonies have been called off. I have written to the City Council to see if any compensation is available.

## **Don't let them mess up Toton and HS2!**

Broxtowe Borough Council has apparently revamped its planning department with a new worker specifically to look at developing brown field sites for housing development. About time too! And it's not too late to save our Green belt where they plan to allow thousands of new homes.

I have written to the Prime Minister, Communities Secretary, Eric Pickles and Transport Minister, Stephen Hammond voicing my opposition to Broxtowe Borough Councils plans to allow at least 500 houses on Toton's Green Belt at the expense of a world class economic development at the planned HS2 Hub. Stephen Hammond visited Toton Sidings last month and apparently shares my concerns about the Council's plans. Broxtowe's "Core Strategy" rubber stamps plans for more than 3,000 houses on our Green Belt land, and is now being considered by the Planning Inspector. I have urged that the Core Strategy should be rejected and that new homes should be built on our brown field land. I believe the Green Belt land at Toton should be preserved so that we can take full advantage of HS2 with economic development to provide growth and jobs and a



modern joined transport system.

Broxtowe Borough Council is proving in Beeston that they aren't able to plan and develop a modern town centre to take full advantage of the promised benefits of the tram. It beggars belief that they should be allowed to mess up the huge potential of HS2 by allowing hundreds of houses to be built.

[Click here to read the letter to the Prime Minister...](#)  
[here for the letter to Eric Pickles](#)  
[here for the letter to Stephen Hammond](#)

### **Mornington Primary School visit**

My thanks to everyone at Mornington Primary who invited me to their special WOW assembly where I presented awards to some of their best pupils. I also met the "dinner ladies" planning for the introduction of free school meals for all pupils upto the age of 7 in the autumn. This will not pose a problem for Mornington but will for some of our other schools.



### **George Spencer Academy honoured as Maths Hub**

George Spencer has been named as one of 32 maths hubs in England. It means the school will implement an Asian style approach to the teaching of Maths which has proved so successful in countries like Japan. It is further proof of the excellence of George Spencer Academy - a school we can all be proud of.

### **Stapleford Remembers**

Commemorations to mark the start of the First World War start in Stapleford on Friday afternoon with a special Poppy Remembrance Board at the Meeting Place. Stapleford Community Group have organised "Stapleford Remembers" as part of the commemorations of the First World War. With the help of local groups, organisations and individuals the event will take place on Saturday 2nd August and on Monday 4th August 5.

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

Tuesday 8 July

#### **Chilwell East CAT meeting**

7pm till 8:30pm

College House Junior School.

#### **Beeston West CAT meeting**

7pm till 8:30pm

Beeston Town Hall.

Friday 11 July

**Appointment only advice surgery - Chilwell**

Please call the constituency office to make an appointment.

**Nottingham Country Market**

7:30 till 11:45am

Wollaton Road Methodist Church, Beeston, NG9 2NG

Every Friday morning, everything is home grow, home baked and hand crafted.

**Stapleford board of remembrance**

The Meeting Place, Stapleford.

Commemoration of WW1 will begin with an exhibition and coffee afternoon. There will be a special remembrance board that members of the public can pin a poppy too, this will remain until the 2nd August. Full details [here](#).

**Vintage Tea Parlour**

10am till 4pm

Oban House, 8 Chilwell Road

Saturday 12 July

**Appointment only advice surgery - Attenborough**

Please call the constituency office to make an appointment.

**Beeston Carnival**

10am onwards

Broadgate Park, Beeston

Entertainment in the Square from 10am, the parade starts at 1pm. Carnival Princess Lydia Stenson and carnival Prince Finlay Daniels will be crowned in the Square at 12:15.

**Greasley Coffee Morning**

10am till 12:30pm

Greasley Community and Sports Centre

Coffee morning in support of the Royal British Legion, with home made cakes and coffee.

**Silver Screen film night at Rumbletums Cafe (for the over 50's)**

Doors open at 6:30pm for 6:45pm start.

Rumbletums Café, 2a Victoria Street, Kimberley

Presenting - An affair to remember, admission is £2 and hot drink with a slice of cake is £1.50.

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