



**FROM YOUR CONSERVATIVE COUNCILLORS IN WEST BRIDGFORD WEST DIVISION**

**GORDON WHEELER, ALAN PHILLIPS AND JULIE DONOGHUE**

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## **GORDON SEEKING YOUR SUPPORT AGAIN IN 2017**



Conservative County Councillor Gordon Wheeler has been re-selected by Rushcliffe Conservative Association to contest the West Bridgford West Divisional seat in the May 2017 local County Council elections. Gordon has served the residents of West Bridgford West Division (incorporating the Compton Acres, Lutterell and Musters Wards) as your County Councillor since 2009 and as Borough Councillor since 2003. He has lived in West Bridgford for over 25 years. At the Nottinghamshire County Council, Gordon is the Conservative lead on the Economic Development Committee and Nottinghamshire Fire & Rescue Authority.

Gordon helped establish and chairs the Compton Acres Local Area Group which meets four times a year, and gives residents who live within his Division the opportunity to engage with local Councillors and the Police to discuss issues which are important to them. He has assisted residents on a range of issues including potholes, dangerous pavements, grass cutting, local bus services, street lights, restricted parking schemes, planning and school places to name but a few. Gordon engages with all schools in his West Bridgford West Division and he is privileged to be a Governor at West Bridgford Academy.

## **HEYMANN SCHOOL PUPILS EXPERIENCE THE COUNCIL CHAMBER. HOUSE OF COMMONS NEXT?**

The Heymann School Council, along with some of their teachers, visited the Nottinghamshire County Council in February at the invitation of Councillor Wheeler. After enjoying a buffet lunch, the children were taken into the Council Chamber where they grilled Councillor Wheeler and the Chairman of the Council on a range of issues. It was a really enjoyable afternoon and the children were a credit to their parents and the school. Councillor Wheeler was then invited to lunch at the School. Not only was the fish and chips superb, but the children showed him the projects they worked on for another memorable afternoon.

Discussions are taking place with the offices of Ken Clarke, our Conservative MP for Rushcliffe, for the Heymann School Council to visit the House of Commons.

Following the successful visit of their neighbours at Heymann School, **Greythorn School** will visit the County Council on the 26th May. Councillor Wheeler and the Chairman can look forward to another series of tough questioning by the children! For more information on the visits please contact Councillor Wheeler.

## **FEEDBACK YOUR CONCERNS**

Residents can report faults which fall within the responsibility of the NCC (Nottinghamshire County Council) directly to Councillor Wheeler who will take these up with officers. If you are not sure whether the area of responsibility falls to NCC or Rushcliffe Borough Council please contact any of your local Conservative Councillors using the details provided, who will be happy to assist you.

## **YOUR COUNCILLORS**

Your Conservative Rushcliffe Borough Councillors for West Bridgford West are here to represent you. You can contact them using the information below

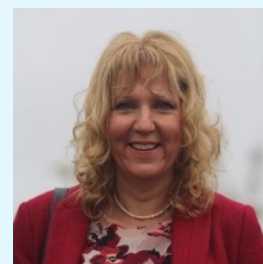


### **COMPTON ACRES WARD**

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Gordon is also your **County Councillor** for West Bridgford West, please call him on the number above, or email [Cllr.gordon.wheeler@nottsc.gov.uk](mailto:Cllr.gordon.wheeler@nottsc.gov.uk)



### **LUTTERELL WARD**

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# **LOCAL CONSERVATIVES WORKING HARD FOR YOU**

## THE TRAM – NET STILL CAN'T GET IT RIGHT!

Councillors Alan Phillips and Gordon Wheeler continue to put the pressure on Nottingham Express Transit (NET) to ensure the safety of local people, and to minimise the negative impact on day to day lives. From a recent site meeting with NET, your councillors highlighted the many snags still to be addressed. Safety concerns were raised after a crash at the Wilford Lane crossing, where a car was hit by a tram and shunted into a pedestrian area. The crossing area is a confusing one for all users so please take care.

Councillors Phillips and Wheeler are pleased to announce that they have been able to secure more trees for screening between properties that back onto the line through Compton Acres, after much pressure on the beleaguered NET. More work is needed to be completed on the exchange land near Silverdale, where many plants and trees have died, and they are pressing NET to get this resolved.

NET have announced that the noise and vibration from the tram going past homes are within tolerance levels, so unfortunately they will not be doing anything to help reduce this for the residents affected by the disturbance.

## HERE IS A TIP FROM US

Residents who live within the County of Nottinghamshire who use the Rugby Road and other Nottingham County Council recycling centres will need to register themselves and their vehicles by going to the NCC homepage and following the link or by phoning 0300 5008080. Although the scheme will not become enforceable until later in the year, we strongly recommend our West Bridgford residents register as soon as they can.

The registration scheme has been introduced by the current administration at NCC to save money. Although we accept savings need to be made in these challenging times, we feel the scheme has not been thought-through properly and will cause chaos when it is implemented and end up costing more to fix.

## BASIL NICHOLLS

It is with great sadness that we have learned of the death of former Lutterell Ward Councillor Basil Nicholls following a long illness. Basil was a long serving Conservative Borough Councillor and former Mayor of Rushcliffe, who worked hard for his local community, and was a friend and valued colleague. Our deepest condolences go out to his family and friends at this difficult time.

## NEW BENCH FOR STOWE AVENUE

The old wooden bench had certainly seen better days. We know the bench is a good stop-off point for local residents shopping at ASDA, accessed on foot via the connecting pathway from Rugby Road.

We are therefore delighted that the new bench (pictured) is in place and ready to be painted in the next couple of weeks, and can be used by all. We hope this will be enjoyed by the community and stand for a long time to come on Stowe Avenue



## SUPPORT THE CAMPAIGN

Can you spare the odd hour? If you can, Rushcliffe Conservatives would love to hear from you as we need volunteers to assist with delivering leaflets, support office functions and more. Please contact Rushcliffe House on 0115 9817224. To join the Conservative Party, please go to [www.conservatives.com/join](http://www.conservatives.com/join). You can also visit the Association website [www.rushcliffeconservatives.com](http://www.rushcliffeconservatives.com)

- If there are community groups who want the use of a meeting room free of charge, please see the Notice Boards in the Compton Acres shopping precinct or Rugby Road at the junction with Loughborough Road for information. You can also email Emma Sheffield [emma.sheffield@metropolitan.org.uk](mailto:emma.sheffield@metropolitan.org.uk) or contact Councillor Wheeler
- Your Borough and County Councillors have modest funding available to benefit voluntary and community groups or individuals. If you know of anyone who could use a bit of financial help to support their cause, please get in contact with any of your local Conservative Councillors
- Unfortunately the drainage works and mess on the green by Heathervale and Wilford Lane has had to be dug up again and work will continue in to May
- Councillor Wheeler has used his Community fund from Nottinghamshire County Council to support many local groups and causes. These include Heymann, West Bridgford and Greythorn schools for gardening projects. The Scouts, Duke of Edinburgh scheme and local community centres have also benefited along with many others across the West Bridgford West Division
- Councillor Wheeler has reported a large number of potholes to Nottinghamshire County Council after touring Compton Acres and Lutterell Ward, and a number have been filled in. If you notice any more, please let Councillor Wheeler know.
- Have you registered to vote? In 2014 the way you register to vote changed, so that each person in a household must register individually. You can contact Rushcliffe Borough Council on 0115 9819911 to make sure you are registered.
- The interactive speed sign is now in place on Landmere Lane, and Councillor Wheeler is delighted at the amount of positive feedback from residents. It is very much hoped these signs can help drivers manage their speed and make the roads even safer in West Bridgford.

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