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"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*

Hello again,

Just a quick round up of this week's news. I'm looking forward to tomorrow's "Meet the Team" from 10am to 12 at Greasley Community and Sport Centre.

Enjoy the weekend,

As ever,

Anna

Supporting Broxtowe's great employers

Skills and Enterprise Minister, Matthew Hancock visited Broxtowe yesterday with a trip to Bridgeway Consulting in Beeston.

Matthew met apprentices and heard of Bridgeway's outstanding work which includes training hundreds of workers in the railway industry.



There is a serious shortage of skilled railway workers which the Government is tackling starting with plans for a specialised college specifically to make sure we have a highly trained workforce to build and support HS2. As you might imagine Derby has already expressed interest. I will make local enquiries as to whether a case could be made for a College at Toton Sidings as part of any economic development of the site.

My thanks as ever, to Pino de Rosa and his team for fixing the visit at very short notice.

[Click here for the rail college proposals...](#)



Sudden death of a popular singer who raised thousands for charity

There has been considerable shock and much sadness at the sudden death of Ian “Jock” Campbell at just 53. Jock was also known as Frankie Martin and as such he entertained many of us in the Kimberley and Eastwood area with his fabulous singing.

Regular readers may remember me giving news of his year long tour of Britain’s pubs where he sang every night to raise almost £200,000 for Help for Heroes. Jock also supported a number of local charities.

Jock also served on Kimberley Town Council; he really was one of life’s givers.

My thoughts are with his family - mum Joyce, partner Jo, Jock’s children, and his many friends. He will be greatly missed.



Broxtowe Veterans Charity leads the way

Congratulations to Beeston based “Forces in the Community” for an excellent conference this morning at Chetwynd Barracks. The aim was to bring together the various charities and organisations supporting veterans and their families and to encourage others to add their support.

I attended as both the local MP and Minister for Veterans. The vast majority of service personnel enter civvie street, fit and healthy, with well over 80% in new work. But some don’t; they need support and advice in varying degrees. “Forces in the Community” is one of many charities offering real help to veterans and their families and based on today’s conference we should be really proud they are based in Broxtowe.

We should also be proud that Broxtowe Borough Council is doing such a great job putting the Community Covenant into action.

[Click here to learn more about Forces in the Community...](#)

Get on with it!

I have written to NET, the City and County Councillors on behalf of two businesses and the Victory Club on Station Club all of whom face considerable losses and possible closure because of the tram works.

The County Council continues to refuse to extend the scheme which could save our small businesses and traders from going bust. It is a shameful situation.

BT inspected the tram works on High and Chilwell Road on Sunday after I spoke to them last week; they are adamant they are not responsible for the construction delays. In turn I have urged NET/City Council/TWA to meet BT as a matter of urgency and sort things out. I'm not much bothered who is to "blame" we just want the blooming thing built on time and the nightmare of chaos to end!



Lydia Ball honoured

Awsworth Borough and Parish Councillor Lydia Ball received her British Empire Medal today after more than forty years of service to her community.

Lydia is much loved by Awsworth residents and fellow Councillors of whatever political persuasion. I felt honoured to support her nomination.

Attenborough base for new Community First Responder team.

Attenborough is to host a First Responder team and car courtesy of East Midlands Ambulance and the Beeston and District Community First Responder. The team will respond to emergencies primarily in Attenborough, Beeston, Chilwell and Toton.



Working for you in Parliament

I was pleased during Wednesday's Prime Minister's Question when the PM announced there would be no attempt to amend the Hunting Act. To be completely frank I take the firm view I have many more important matters to occupy my time!

What's on in Broxtowe and surgery details

Saturday 29 March

Meet the Team - Drop-in Surgery - Greasley

10 till 12pm

Greasley Community and Sports Centre

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

Take Part Art - Family Workshops

9.30 am to 12:30pm

Attenborough nature Reserve

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

Sunday 30 March

Free Family day out at Attenborough Nature Reserve

12 till 4pm

Attenborough Nature Reserve

Free day out featuring a host of creative 'make and take' activities related to the natural environment. For more details please click [here](#).

Monday 31 March

Beeston Wildlife Group - Nature Talk

7.30pm till 9.30pm

Trent Vale Infant School, Trent Road, Beeston NG9 1LP

The talk will focus on Around the World in 25 years. Martin Butler is the guest speaker.

Cost £2

MAPs - Mondays at Pastures

3.30pm till 5pm

Pastures Community Church

Free term time after school club for children aged 4-11. For more details please click [here](#).

Saturday 5 April

Ruby Charity Ball

from 7pm

Belfry Hotel, Nottingham

The Mayor of Broxtowe Councillor Iris White holds her Charity Ball in aid of Treetops Hospice and the Helpful Bureau. Tickets cost £32. Please contact the Civic office to purchase a ticket on 0115 917 3210.

Friday 11 April

Beeston & District Civic Society Open Meeting

7.30pm

The Community Room, John Clifford School, Nether Street, Beeston, NG9 2AT

Mark Chivers will give a talk on 'Boots Enterprise Zone'. Cost: Free for members, £2 for guests on the door. Refreshments available.

Saturday 12 April

Bramcote Old Church Tower Quiz Night

from 7.30pm

Bramcote Memorial Hall

Cost £10 per person, which includes a jacket potato with filling, tea and coffee (bring your own beer or wine). For tickets please call 0115 922 6782.

And finally

Kimberley author, Gloria Morgan is about to launch a Dyslexia project with three books for people of all ages specially adapted for people with dyslexia. For more details contact Gloria at Madhatters Tea Room in Kimberley or email Gloria on gloriamorganauthor@outlook.com