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# Anna Soubry MP working hard for Broxtowe

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Hello again,

This week Councillor Stan Heptinstall MBE, completed his year as our Mayor. Stan has also retired as a Borough Councillor having served Bramcote for 24 years, though he will continue as a County Councillor. As Mayor, Stan has raised over £11,000 for his chosen charities - Cancer Research and Hope. Stan has won the respect and affection of many constituents who have known him over the years and I would like to congratulate him on an excellent year as our Mayor and pay tribute to his tireless service to the people of Bramcote. Our new Mayor is Eastwood Councillor, Susan Bagshaw and her Deputy is Chilwell's Councillor, Graham Harvey.

After contacting them, Broxtowe Borough Council have agreed to take objections to a planning application to change the use of the New White Bull at Giltbrook up to June 15th. I have written to all members of the Planning Committee urging them to refuse the application. I very much hope the developer will sell the pub to local brewery, Blue Monkey. Please contact me if you would like to support the campaign.

There are a number of excellent local events including the Greasley Gathering this Bank Holiday weekend - details below.

I hope you enjoy the Whitsun break.

As ever,

Anna

### The future of our Green Belt and an enquiry into the tram

The Conservatives won a large majority in the recent Broxtowe Borough Council elections; my congratulations to all the winners. Richard Jackson is the new Leader and I have already had discussions with him about the future of our Green Belt land.

As a result I have asked to meet him and the Chief Executive; I will also be seeking clarification and guidance from the new Secretary of State for Local Government, Greg Clark, given that Conservative Councillors and I have been elected with a clear mandate to defend Broxtowe's Green Belt.

On a separate note, Louise Ellman MP is re-standing for the Chair of the Transport Select Committee. Louise has given me an undertaking that if re-elected she will back an inquiry by the Committee into the tram extension and the value (or otherwise) of trams to communities. I will be asking all candidates for the Chair and committee places for similar undertakings. Getting such an inquiry is a top priority of mine and I will press for it to begin after the tram is fully open.

Finally, Richard Jackson and I have agreed for a joint meeting with Greg Clark to discuss the formula by which Broxtowe is allocated money by Government. Broxtowe was one of many councils to get a cut in funding and whilst I accept the need for further cuts to public expenditure, Broxtowe has long taken the view that the current formula places it at an unfair disadvantage.



#### **Success at Boundary Brook**

After writing to the Secretary of State for DEFRA last year, the Environment Agency has agreed to install a flood gauge at Boundary Brook in Trowell.

This will issue text messages and emails to warn local people if the waters get too high and also collects data for any future work needed to protect the area from flooding. I've met local residents and know they've spent a number of years fighting off floods with sandbags and hard work. I'm very pleased that progress is finally being made!

#### **Stapleford Post Office is moving**

The Post Office have launched a consultation about moving their Stapleford branch from 11 Church Street to 1 Nottingham Road. If you would like to see the proposals and have your say then <u>click here</u> and type in the branch code: 32722799. The consultation will close on the 27<sup>th</sup> May.

#### What's on in Broxtowe

#### Saturday 23 May

#### **Broxtowe Countryside Wildlife Day**

10am till 4pm

Where: Beeston Square.

What's on: Stalls such as Hoots Owl rescue, Beeston Wildlife Group and Attenborough Nature Reserve activity stands will be there to celebrate this special event.

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#### Top House Beer Festival - Bramcote

Where: White Lion Bramcote.

What's on: 20+ beers including 10 within a 10 mile radius, live music from 5pm. The festival will conclude on Monday 25th. Full details here.

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#### Corn Mill Cider Festival - Chilwell

Where: The Corn Mill Pub, Chilwell.

What's on: 40 real ales and 10 ciders in their beer tent, child friendly play area with face painting and bouncy castles and much more. The festival will conclude on Monday 25th. Full details here.

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#### Monday 25 May

#### The Greasley Gathering

10am till 3pm

Where: Greasley Sports and Community Centre, Dovecote Road, NG16 3QN.

What's on: This is Greasley's 3rd gathering, there will be plenty of family attractions such as; dog and duck show, a Brazilian Drumming Group, stalls, Eastwood Choir, two red London buses and much more.

#### Spring Fayre

1pm till 4pm

Where: All Saints Church, Strelley Village, NG8 6PE.

Full details here.

#### Scarecrow display

10am till 4pm

Where: Colliers Wood, Moorgreen.

What's on: All Scarecrows will be themed from Alice and Wonderland.

#### Kids street cheer dance class

5pm till 6pm

Where: St Mary's Church, Church Road, Greasley.

What's on: A funky mix of street dance to the latest chart music and cheerleading,

including stunts and tumbling.

#### Tuesday 26 May till Friday 29 May

#### May Holiday Club

9am till 4:30pm

Where: The Pearson Centre for Young People, Nuart Road, Beeston. What's on: Holiday club for children aged 6-11. Full details here.

#### Thursday 28 May

#### **Autumn Years Activity Club**

9am till 4:30pm

Where: St Helen's Church Hall, Frederick Road, Stapleford.

What's on: Resource Centre for the over 60's, full details for this weekly event

here.

#### Saturday 30 May

#### Craft fair and Table-top sale

10am till 4pm

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

What's on: Organised by the Helpful Bureau, there will be a wide range of stalls and crafts. Full details here.

#### Sunday 31 May

#### Bramcote Old Church Tower plant sale

12 noon till 4pm

Where: Moss Drive, Town Street, Bramcote.

What's on: Plant sale, all proceeds raised will go to the tower restoration fund.

#### Family Fun day - Nuthall Parish Council

1pm till 5pm

Where: Basil Russell Playing Field, Maple Drive, NG16 1EJ.

What's on: Free entertainment, including sports, bouncy castle, puppet shows, craft activities and displays by local groups.

Come and try Archery!

11am till 4pm

Where: Playing Fields, End of Moorr Lane, NG9 3GA.
What's on: Full details <u>here</u>.

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