Aspley Councillors' Annual Report 2016-7



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Ward Pledges

- Support 4 further street improvement schemes aimed at training 80 local young volunteers and getting them into work or apprenticeships
- Build bungalows on Oakford Gardens for local elderly and disabled, thereby also freeing up houses for families
- Finish the parking schemes on the remaining greens which qualify and begin to do a small number of cul de sacs but only where ownership and finance permits
- Embark on a further round of solar panel and external wall insulation
- Ensure all over 40s receive a chest X-ray

Case Work and Resident Contact

Aspley has a population of over 14,000 people and 7,000 homes. Between all three councillors we have done over 500 pieces of individual casework, from helping to get people into employment, to dealing with anti-social behaviour, housing repairs, benefit cases, tree problems, traffic problems road repairs, dog poo. We have knocked on hundreds of doors and hold two surgeries a month, and one ward walk/surgery a month covering the whole of the ward. We have attended many events and meetings in the ward and distributed thousands of leaflets to keep people informed.

Progress on Ward Pledges

To date we have helped over 30 young people into employment or training

Bungalows on the Oakford Close site are underway

We have exceeded target on parking improvement, finishing two further parking schemes on greens with one more in process. The parking scheme on Allendale Avenue has yet to start but will be on site this summer 2017. We have begun a scheme for improving parking in closes on the estate.

We have encouraged further home insulation for council tenants only, paid for from rents. Hundreds of homes have benefitted. Unfortunately the Government has stopped the subsidies for owner occupiers so we have not been able to progress on that front. Subsidies for solar panels have also been reduced making new domestic schemes less viable. However we have pursued solar panel replacement on public buildings e.g. the Minver Sports Centre and the new Strelley Road library is likely to be fitted also.

There has been insufficient progress on the chest x-ray proposal and we will need to prioritise this in 2017.

Events and Councillor Activity



Aspley councillors in front of newly clad and insulated homes Junction Hilcot Drive/Shepton Crescent



Aspley Councillors on the site of the new Strelley Road complex providing 30 homes for elderly people and a new library



Part of the nationwide celebrations at the Phoenix Adventure playground funded by Aspley Councillors budget to commemorate Jo Cox MP who was brutally murdered as she left her weekly surgery.



Aspley Councillors on the site of the new bungalows being built on Oakford Close to house the elderly and free up homes for families



Councillor Chapman with local scouts who had just spent the night out under canvas to raise money for the homeless.



Councillor Ifediora launching the anti-dog poo campaign in Aspley



Councillor Chapman spending a morning on the Jobs Roadshow, encouraging local people into jobs and training



The 'Take a Seat' campaign which encourages local shops to provide seating for anyone who is infirm



Councillors with local area team ready for a clean-up and litter pick in the Aspley/Broxtowe/Bell's Lane area



Local residents on a 'get to know your community' outing to Skegness part funded from local councillor budgets



Councillor McCulloch with some of the young people she has helped get into jobs or training



'Graduation' at Tic Toc Nursery, established with the help of Councillors to provide for local children



World Food Day at Minver Crescent Sports Centre bringing people together from different communities to taste each other's food - sponsored by Aspley councillors



Aspley Councillors getting double yellow lines painted in closes where parking on both sides of the entry create blockages for emergency vehicles and bin lorries. It also frees up one pavement for buggies and wheelchairs