

LABOUR LINK

Your voice in Kimberley, Cossall & Babbington

Summer
2005

Hi & a really big welcome to the latest edition of Labour Link which I hope you will find a stimulating read. As your Labour representatives we take pride in our communities of Kimberley & Cossall. We are always pleased to learn of ways we can help you as an individual or community group. Do contact Trevor, Nick Palmer or myself via the Helpdesk overleaf if we can assist you in any way.

Richard Robinson, Borough Councillor - Kimberley & Cossall

COMMUNITY UPDATE

What activities are your Labour representatives involved in on your behalf?

RETURN OF THE LATE NIGHT BUSES THROUGH KIMBERLEY?

The failure of Trent/Barton to re-instate the late night weekend bus service to Kimberley is something many of you continue to have a gripe to us about. We know it causes lots of you much inconvenience.

Richard and Nick Palmer MP together with Broxtowe Borough Council Officials have previously held meetings with the Management of Trent Buses, urging them to consider re-instatement. Each time they have met with us they have refused to consider our requests.

However Richard & Nick never give up that easily! Following the last Community Action Team in Kimberley in June - Richard and Nick have decided to take a fresh approach & will be putting new arguments to Trent/Barton Managers.

As soon we have more information we will let you know.

DON'T FORGET - It took 2 years for Nick Palmer MP & Richard Robinson to get the 555 direct day time bus service to and from the Queen Medical reinstated. The key thing is we persisted and in the end our efforts paid off.

PRAM PUSH KIMBERLEY

Trevor writes "I owe an enormous debt of gratitude to all those who helped make the Pram Push such a success on July 21st. The weather was great we managed to raise over £1000 for Marie Cure Cancer Research. I don't want to be Elvis next year". If you'd like to help in 2006 event (it takes a year to organise) please contact Trevor (address overleaf).

A610 Noise Improvements

Contact Richard for latest news.

Road Safety Issues On Eastwood Road Kimberley

Following the tragic accident earlier this year of Christopher Fiddler, Trevor has been vigorously pursuing the County Council to make it safer for pedestrians to cross Nottingham Road. Trevor has been successful in persuading the County Council to make various improvements on the corner of Awsworth Lane at its junction with Eastwood Road. This work should be undertaken during the next few months.

Trevor has also asked the County Council to consider a flashing speed limit sign along Eastwood Road to deter speeding motorists. Keep in touch with Trevor for progress updates on this matter.



POLICING AND SAFETY



Nick Palmer - your hard working Labour MP in Kimberley & Cossall

Like all MPs I've obviously been heavily involved in the discussions on countering terrorism. In the argument between safety and privacy I've usually come down on the side of safety, in particular supporting the spread of CCTV, which has really proved its value in tracing the London bombers, and proposing ID cards, which are more focused on low-level crime. I'm glad that an all-party consensus seems to be holding on the main issue, and I think this does the other parties credit: it is easy to gain cheap advantage from tragedy. We need to be prepared to take on the terrorists, over an extended period if necessary, with steady and consistent

policies, since if we give the impression that we are easily terrified it merely encourages more murders.

Meanwhile, life goes on locally and I've been to see Inspector Thompson recently to talk about policing in our part of the borough. He took over a few months ago. He was frank about the problems that they'd had: several beat manager vacancies and an intimidating pile of cases that hadn't been followed up, sometimes over 100. The vacancies have now all been filled and there are normally fewer than 10 cases awaiting first follow-up. The clear-up rate is improving and the large fall in local crime numbers over the last 18 months has continued. I was raising in

particular problems passed on by constituents in Kimberley and Awsworth, involving high levels of anti-social behaviour by youth gangs. He was cautiously optimistic: a noted ring-leader is now in prison, another is on stringent police bail, and numerous others have had written warnings sent by Inspector Thompson to their parents. Please continue to report incidents to the police so they can keep on top of problems as they arise. And as always, I welcome feedback on this and all the other issues. My contact details are shown overleaf.



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Justin Widdop, Senior Pastor

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Richard with Robin Cook on his recent trip to the East Midlands

KIMBERLEY COMMUNITY COMPUTER GROUP

**IN CONJUNCTION WITH KIMBERLEY LIBRARY
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From 5th September onwards users of the computers at Kimberley Library will be able to get free individualised tuition on computers on the premises!!! Volunteer tutors of Kimberley Community Computer Group will be based in Kimberley Library on Thursday afternoon & Friday morning - to offer free tuition and answer any computer queries.

**For more details of this service please contact
Richard Robinson on 01773 531315**

**Kimberley Community Computer Group also urgently need more volunteer tutors.
If you can spare a couple of hours per week please contact Richard Robinson**

KIMBERLEY & COSSALL LABOUR LINK HELPDESK

Have you got a problem we could help you solve? Whatever it is - from getting your social security benefits sorted out, a housing problem, suffering with noisy neighbours, need help for funding a local community project? Richard and Trevor will do their best to help you.

I/we need help on the following issues (s)

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- Contact Nick Palmer **0115 9430721** Email: nickmp1@aol.com
- Phone the Labour Link helpdesk on either **0115 8756791**
- Write to Labour Link Helpdesk
14 Wentworth Court, Kimberley, Nottingham, NG16 2XB
- E mail the Labour Link help desk on
trevor.sterrett@ntlworld.com

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