

Green View Spring 2017

Cllr Duncan Kerr



Thanks for your Support!

I have been the Councillor for Castle Ward on Oswestry Town Council for four years and for Oswestry South on Shropshire Unitary Council for one year. During this time, I've tried to keep you informed about local issues through my newsletter; help residents to resolve problems at my surgeries; and provide an independently-minded voice in Council meetings. Being your Councillor has been hard, but rewarding, work. With elections coming up in May I am delighted to be joined by many local candidates so that people across, and beyond, Oswestry have the chance to vote for an independently-minded Green Councillor.

Council Tax: Pay More, Get Less.

At the last meeting of the Shropshire Unitary Council I asked Cllr Pate, the Conservative Leader of the Council, a question regarding the poor financial state of the Council. In reply he admitted that their Council Tax policies had been a mistake. However, he rejected my proposal to save money by cutting Councillor allowances and follow government advice to share back-office services (like accountancy and administration) with other Councils.



Some of my newsletters



Protecting our Health Services

A lot of people have told me that they are getting increasingly worried about the NHS. It seems that money is being wasted on management consultants in programmes like "Future Fit" when it should be spent on patient care. If we want the NHS to be there for us in the future we need to show our support now. That is why Oswestry Defend Our NHS has been formed. Meetings are on the first Tuesday of each month at 7.30pm in the Bailey Head pub and everyone is welcome. On Wednesday March the 29th we've arranged a fundraising quiz for the campaign in the Bailey Head at 8.00pm. The funds raised will be used to book a room for a public meeting in April so you can question all candidates how they will support and improve our NHS.

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More Choice in May

Residents of South Oswestry will have the chance to support other independently-minded people who are standing for the Town Council. In Castle Ward Mike Isherwood, (who runs "Shlurp" on Church Street), is standing with Olly Rose (who works for Age UK), whilst in Victoria Ward local craftsman Ted Bruce is also standing.



Mike Isherwood



Olly Rose



Ted Bruce

Action on Cross Street

It has taken a long time, but we may finally be seeing some action on Cross Street thanks to the campaign launched by my colleague Barry Edwards who is standing for Oswestry West. We have been campaigning for Shropshire Council to use the powers it has under the Town and Country Planning Act to force the owners to tidy these properties up and get them let and recently there has been some further meetings and progress.



Barry Edwards in Cross Street



Charity Half Marathon

You may remember that last year I completed a 300 mile cycle ride for Chalk in Leg St. This year I will be running the first Oswestry half-marathon on behalf of Hope House hospice. If you want to support me donations can be made directly to Hope House hospice or there is a sponsor sheet in the Guildhall.

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Listening to residents

