

Green View Oswestry

from your Green Party Councillors on Oswestry Town Council: **Spring 2020**



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Protecting Youth Services.

Oswestry Town Council has stepped in to prevent the decimation of youth services in the town. Shropshire Council got a grant to build a fantastic centre in Oak Street but successive cut-backs have seen the number of youth sessions decline dramatically. The Town Council are now funding this vital service which both reduces anti-social behaviour and provides constructive opportunities for our young people.

By-Pass Consultation

You might not think that the proposed relief road North of Shrewsbury will have much effect on us in Oswestry but that's not the case. This £84M scheme will cost Shropshire Council a minimum of £16.9M with the Council also having to meet the **full cost of any price overrun**. It is inevitable that this will have an impact on the services they can deliver across Shropshire including Oswestry. The consultation runs until the 13th April. You can read about it and submit views by putting "nwrr consultation" into Google.



Be a part of Tidy Britain

As you know we have been running a series of community litter picks on Wilfred Owen Green. This time we are doing it as part of the Great British Spring Clean which is also operating on other sites in the town. We will meet at the Cambrian entrance at **11am on Sunday the 5th April**.

Highlighting a Hidden Harm

Duncan Kerr is due to be the Mayor of Oswestry from May. He has decided that his chosen charity will be the Shropshire Domestic Abuse Service. Domestic Abuse can affect as many as a third of all women and a fifth of men. In the next year he wants to see what more we can do in Oswestry to help victims and challenge perpetrators.





The Ramp draws nearer.

You may remember that we have been campaigning for a disabled accessible ramp to replace these dilapidated steps the lead into Horsemarket car-park from Castle Street. We are delighted to report that a planning application has now been submitted to Shropshire Council. Credit for this progress must go to Pam Ingrey and Kim Tunnandine who run Oswestry Mobility in the Market Hall. They launched a petition over four years ago when they saw parents struggling to carry buggies up these steep steps. Hopefully work will start soon.

A New Community Forest?

As a result of the target set by Oswestry Town Council to plant 17,000 trees all the other Parish councils in the local area have been invited to appoint representatives to a working group that will consider whether we can develop a new community forest in the Oswestry area. If you are interested in helping with this please contact Cllr Olly Rose.

What is a Community Forest?



Do you Ride your Bike in Oswestry?

We regularly hold open meetings to discuss how we can make Oswestry a cleaner and greener town. You would be most welcome to join us and contribute to our work. The next open meeting is at **7pm on Tuesday the 9th June at Hermon Chapel**, Chapel Street, Oswestry when we will hearing from experts about how we can increase cycling in the town.

Over to you!

We would love to hear your views on any of the issues mentioned in this newsletter, or indeed on your experience of living in Oswestry. You can simply call, or email, any of the Councillors below with your comments, questions or concerns. If you prefer you can also drop a letter off addressed to Cllr Duncan Kerr at Boderwig, Park Avenue, Oswestry.

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