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GREEN VIEW: PORTHILL, FRANKWELL & KINGSLAND

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GREEN WASTE CHARGES RUSHED IN

To save money Tory-controlled Shropshire Council have ignored the results of a consultation and will push ahead with charges for green waste collection. From October households will need to pay £56 a year and put a sticker on their bin to have their green waste collected. Full details are on the Council's website. Green Councillors argued that this change is happening too quickly with no help for alternatives like home composting or subsidies to those on low incomes. The result could be more damage to the environment as people avoid the charge by mixing green waste into regular waste or make extra journeys to the recycling centre.

FOOTBRIDGE BUNGLE

The hoarding around the Riverside Mall has blocked the Frankwell footbridge ramp. I've spoken to staff who say that shouldn't have happened. They've promised to introduce an improved ramp, and also to improve access on the Frankwell side. I haven't yet got a date, but will keep asking.



I've been promised a new, better ramp to Frankwell footbridge

CCTV

Shropshire Council plans to cut funding for CCTV in the town centre. Live monitoring helps to keep our town centre safe for everyone, especially women and girls. I will support the Town Council stepping in to fund this. Town centre businesses should contribute too as they benefit directly.



I'll support Town Council taking up the slack left by Shropshire when they cut funds for CCTV

COUNCILLOR GRANT FUND

I was able to contribute towards the costs of this new defibrillator from my Grant Fund. It is next to the Porter's Lodge in Millington Hospital but is available for public use. **This year's fund is still available so please get in touch if you think I can help with something that will benefit local people.**



SAVE OUR 20MPH ZONE



The Porthill 20mph zone has been mismanaged. I pledge to keep fighting for this. Meanwhile, text me for a bin sticker.

GENERAL ELECTION

Congratulations to Julia Buckley on being elected as MP for Shrewsbury. Thank you to everyone who voted for me. The Green Party vote in Shrewsbury and nationally hit an all-time high. In response to the King's Speech our four MPs have called for *"action to clean up our rivers and seas by ending the failed experiment of water privatisation, the immediate scrapping of the cruel two-child benefit cap, no climate-wrecking oil and gas extraction from Rosebank, and local authorities to be given the powers to introduce controls on private rent levels"*.

<https://join.greenparty.org.uk>

**COMMUNITY LITTER PICK
SUNDAY AUGUST 18TH
3PM - 4.30PM
MEET AT WOODFIELD
STORES**

In July's Shropshire Council meeting I made sure the Porthill 20mph zone was added to the council's plan for walking and cycling (you can watch the full meeting on YouTube). **I had to do this because there was a risk it might get cancelled. This shouldn't have happened.** I got mixed messages saying the scheme could go ahead despite rule changes by the previous government, then another message saying it couldn't! The work should have been finished before this became an issue. I secured a promise that our local scheme would be part of measures to make streets safer and reduce traffic in Shrewsbury's neighbourhoods, but at the moment there is no funding allocated.

This shows how important it will be to replace the Conservative administration in Shropshire next May: they can't even handle simple neighbourhood improvements anymore. A small slice of the highways budget could enable local improvements - something many of us have called for and something a new administration can make happen.



New Copthorne Road crossing is good news. This was part of the deal with Bellway when they won planning permission for Copthorne Keep. But then the road has been disrupted again! Hopefully National Grid will be done by the time you see this.

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