# Dales Annual Report 2017/18



Ward Councillors David, Neghat & Gul

**Introduction** - Councillors Neghat Khan, David Mellen and Gul Khan are the elected members of Nottingham City Council representing the Dales Ward. We work alongside each other to support the residents of the ward. We involve ourselves in various resident groups, hold advice surgeries and communicate with local volunteers in order to highlight current issues and resolve them accordingly.

**Council Involvement -** In 2017/18 we were on the following committees and outside bodies:

### Councillor N Khan

- Executive Assistant Housing and Flooding
- Member of Standards Committee
- Member of Area Committee East (A.C.E)
- Member of Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee
- Member of Joint Committee on Strategic Planning and Transport

### A Nottingham City Council appointed Director of:

- Robin Hood Energy
- Blueprint Regeneration
- Nottingham City Homes Ltd
- Nottingham Revenues and Benefits (Vice Chair)

#### Councillor Mellen

- Portfolio Holder for Early Intervention & Early Years
- Chair of Corporate Parenting Board
- Chair of Nottingham Children's Partnership Board
- Member of One Nottingham Board
- Member of Area Committee East
- Member of the Health and Wellbeing Board
- Board Member of Base 51 (city centre youth facility)

#### I am also involved in

- Board Member of Nottingham Music Service
- Member of 'Small Steps, Big Changes' (lottery project supporting families)
- Member of Refugee Forum Board

### Councillor G Khan

- Member of Area Committee East (A.C.E)
- Member of Planning Committee
- Member of Licensing Committee
- Member of Regulatory and Appeals Committee
- Member of Overview and Scrutiny
- Member of Overview and Scrutiny Call in Panel

## **Community Involvement -** To interact with residents we:

- ✓ Hold weekly advice surgeries on Wednesday 6-7pm and Saturday 10.30am— 11.30am at the Dales Centre.
- ✓ Undertake monthly Councillor Ward walks with partner services (including Community Protection, Street Scene and Nottingham City Holmes) where residents have the opportunity to raise any neighbourhood issues.
- ✓ Hold 10 local issues meetings in the year at various locations across the ward to ensure the views of local residents are heard and they assist in priority setting.
- ✓ Councillors Consultation meeting 4 times a year.
- ✓ Send bi-monthly Councillor Email newsletter to keep residents updated.
- ✓ Hold residents meetings with groups such as Sneinton Tenants & Residents Association (STARA), Friends of Colwick Woods, Windmill Improvement for Neighbourhood Development (WIND), Friends at Green's Mill, Carlton Folds and Candle Meadow residents.
- ✓ Hold monthly Neighbourhood Action Team (NAT) meetings which also highlight issues affecting residents and we hold service providers accountable.
- ✓ Community Litter Pick to help keep the area clean we hold regular litter picks with local residents groups STARA and WIND on the last Saturday of the month 11.15am until 12.30pm, meet at the Dales Centre.

#### **Ward Work and Achievements**



Opened the new 'Dales Centre', which was one of our pledges.

- Completion of road works on Daleside road which have involved widening the road at certain points to accommodate a better cycle and bus lane known as Eco Super Highway.
- During Storm Doris a tree fell onto a car, tree services identified 14 trees on Sneinton Boulevard that had to be removing due to root damage, for every one tree that is removed the Council will replace with two new ones, although not necessarily in the same place.
- Implemented an experimental Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) on Port Arthur/ Baden Powell road to make them one-way, to allow better flow of traffic and lower the number of cars damaged.
- Successful WREN (a landfill tax charity) bid for money to improve the Green's Mill Park and car park.
- Road resurfacing of worst bits of Sneinton Dale, Newark Street and St Stephens road.
- Installing a new Welcome to Bakersfield sign and planting on the Oakdale road roundabout.
- As Councillors working with Nottingham Academy to ease traffic & parking issues around Greenwood road site we have opened a 3<sup>rd</sup> entrance to the school on Hereford road.
- Have consulted residents on a variety of options of what measures should be taken to tackle speeding on Oakdale road.
- After several years of persistence we have finally managed to get the pavement on Swains Avenue re-opened.



New pedestrian crossing at entrance of Candle Meadow estate.

### This year we have continued to:

- Tackle the issue of fly tipping, bins on streets, dog fouling, dogs off the lead, broken locks on alleyways and speeding in Bakersfield
- Work with Parking Enforcement who have done 200 visits to hotspot areas in the ward and issued 85 parking tickets to irresponsible drivers outside Nottingham Academy, Windmill Lane, St Stephen's road, Watson Avenue, etc.
- Improve local parks we are currently discussing phase two of Greenway Park with residents to see what we can offer older residents.

#### We Will Be:

Consulting with residents on:

- Residents Parking scheme on Edale road/ Hardstaff road
- Parking and tree issues on Lancaster road
- Oakdale road speed restrictions being scheduled

### **Use of Devolved Budgets**

Over the past year we have used £15,000 funding to support various community projects, to mention a few:

Sneinton Festival, Prettier Whittier, Litchfield in Bloom, STARA, Sneinton Town FC, Sneinton Play Centre, Lets Shine & Give a Smile, Kick to Success, Summer activity for Older people, Nottingham Urdu School, Dales Eid/Christmas Lights, Dales Christmas event, Friends of Colwick Woods, Growing Spaces, Dales Week of Action, Dales Community Litter pick, etc

### **Area Capital Funds**

We used our allocated funding for Local Transport Plans (LTP) schemes and Public Realm schemes.

### Local Transport Plans (LTP) schemes

- £34,500 on traffic calming measure to address issues around speeding on Oakdale Road.
- £10,000 Residents Parking scheme on Lees Hill Street.
- £20,000 Traffic measures including junction protection and residents parking on Edale Road and Hardstaff Road.

#### Public Realm schemes

- £11,000 Double yellow lines on Racecourse road and Candle Meadow.
- £5,000 Contribution towards replacement of diseased trees on Sneinton Boulevard.
- £5,000 Feasibility study into parking options associated with tree works on Lancaster Road.

#### **Pledges**

Our pledge to you is:

- 1. We will open a new "JOINT SERVICE CENTRE" including a new library and retaining the police neighbourhood team in Dales Ward
- 2. We will continue to hold weekly advice surgeries/ monthly meetings for residents and respond promptly to constituent emails and phone calls.
- 3. We will bring in further measures to tackle speeding in Bakersfield.
- 4. We will continue to work with enforcement staff to tackle fly tipping and irresponsible dog owners, keeping our streets as clean as possible.

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