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Listening to you in Wem

We believe that elected representatives should make sure that communities have a real say in the decision making process and an opportunity to influence Town Council policies.

If elected as your Councillor I will be accountable to the people I serve and will be readily accessible and approachable for everyone in Wem.

LABOUR for Wem

Wem West Ward

Wem Town Council Elections - 4 May 2017



Petitioning to keep local services

Shropshire Council wants to abandon its role in running land, buildings and services under its control and transfer them to community groups and organisations – a policy that threatens the existence of many of our valued services. Although we continue to run facilities such as the Wem Swimming Pool and the Town Hall successfully in our community, the Town Council still needs to give them our support and campaign against further cuts.

As your Labour Town Councillor, I will strongly resist the loss of any further services.

We believe that local commissioning and delivery of some services could make them more responsive to local needs and demands. The Town Council needs to lead the fight to protect our local services.

While the Town Council does not have any direct responsibility or involvement in the provision of certain vital services such as Health & Social Care, Housing, Transport, Education and Youth Services, we believe it has an important role to play in monitoring, lobbying and holding to account the main providers of these services and we regard this role as a priority for our Town Council.

In April, I spoke to over 70 local people at our local Labour Party event in Wem Town Hall. They raised concerns about the need for a positive health and integrated social welfare plan for our town and County. I will work with Labour County Councillors to support the Town Council to lead a broad campaign on health and welfare which I know means so much to us all.



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George Nash

I have lived in Shropshire for 13 years. I'm married to Jayne and have three children, the youngest, James, is nine. I studied archaeology and environmental sciences at St David's University College and completed my doctorate in Norway.

Since university, I have been heavily involved in cultural heritage and planning and have travelled to many parts of the world involved in many exciting research projects, but my love is North Shropshire. I am currently a part-time lecturer in archaeology and European Planning Policy and Law at university. For the rest of my working week I am employed as a principal archaeologist for a nationally-based environmental consultancy in Shrewsbury. I am a committed socialist and environmentalist, and passionate to work for a fairer and just world. People in Wem know me as an active and successful planning and NHS campaigner.

My priorities for Wem are to:

- ✓ **stimulate** the local economy by supporting town centre regeneration and emerging businesses
- ✓ **safeguard** sports & leisure facilities, including our cherished and much used local library
- ✓ **improve** existing public transport services and the town's infrastructure
- ✓ **seek** to work towards a sustainable community through sensible planning



Labour's priorities:

Safeguard sports & leisure facilities by continuing to support and protect the future of our local Library and the Morgan Library. We will also work to improve our existing public transport services and lobby Shropshire Council for a full traffic survey to find ways to relieve congestion and air pollution - let's think about the children and adults who have to breathe in this noxious air every day!

Also:

- I will press Shropshire Council and other bodies to encourage regeneration of Wem town centre and our business and industrial hubs
- Sustainable development - we need affordable housing for our young people - as a planning expert and campaigner I will press for the Town Council to put pressure on planners for a sustainable town
- The elderly and the young - we need to plan for more opportunities for fitness and to combat social isolation for our valued older residents and facilities for our children and youth
- Health - with the local Labour Party I have been campaigning against NHS cuts and want the Town Council to lead a broad campaign for a positive health and integrated social welfare plan for our town
- Green initiatives - we already have a number of green projects in and around the town - let's keep this going
- Diversity - we take pride in our welcoming rural community and the diversity of Wem - Labour will continue to support and celebrate our whole community
- Let's make sure that school classroom numbers are kept at a sensible level through sustainable town planning

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