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Catch up on my week!

Another week with loads to report back on!

But first, at last week's Conservative Party Conference I discussed 'Levelling Up', what we've achieved and what still needs to be done to make progress ahead of upcoming elections, along with a panel of experts convened by the **Institute for Government**.

You can now listen to it on SoundCloud, here

Also, if you're a budding film maker and want to get involved in the 2024 Mansfield Film Festival, <u>click here!</u>



Find out more about this here!





What's your opinion on the PM's new approach to net zero policy?

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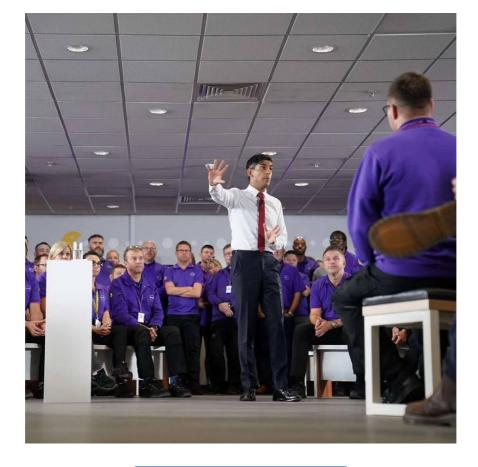


Prime Minister visits Nottinghamshire!

This week the Prime Minister came to Nottinghamshire, and I was lucky enough to be one of those invited along to his 'PM Connect' event. Rishi spoke with employees at one of our region's biggest employers, and answered their questions on all sorts, from the environment, to transport to mental health.

Speaking with some of the staff afterwards, they told me they were impressed at how engaging he was in person and at the way he handled the variety of questions. He also pointed towards the major new transport funding we've just secured, which is a big opportunity for our part of the world.

It's great that Government continues to prioritise our area, and that the PM is making himself accessible and accountable to people here. It's in stark contrast to the mess that has been Labour Party conference so far this week, where they are devoid of energy and ideas, and consistently on the wrong side of the argument.



Find out more here!



With 10th Mansfield Scout Group!

I've been to see the **10th Mansfield Scout Group** at the **Pleasley Landmark Centre** on Thursday night, where I've been chatting to the Beavers about my job as well as making some musical instruments from recycled things. Lots of drums and shakers as you might imagine, but a couple of interesting attempts at saxophones too

Big shout out to Rory, who came to Beavers for the first time and bless him he drew me a lovely picture to take away, which will go on my wall. Watch the video to see it

Also popped my head in to the Cubs where they were learning about disability and what it might be like to manage with various impairments, and heard all about their recent camping trip

Have to say, great group of kids, and I have SO much time and respect for everyone who volunteers to run groups like this. Big shout out for the Leaders here, and at all of these kinds of uniformed youth groups for the amazing work you do. I spent a decade in the <u>Scouts</u> and I know how much I learned and how much it gave me, that just wouldn't happen without amazing volunteers!

Watch here!



Visiting Hetty's in Woodhouse!

<u>Hetty's is</u> a fabulous local charity who support the families and loved ones of people affected by addiction.

Over almost 30 years they've grown from being a group of mums offering each other peer support, to now this amazing charity supporting hundreds of families across the whole County.

Dead proud of these guys and the vital services they deliver. Having been dealt a bit of a blow last year in being told they were going to have to move out of their own building, they've made it a massive success both for themselves, having bought their own amazing new premises for the first time, and for the community in bringing this historic listed building back in to use after being left empty for a long time.

It's a testament to how well regarded they are locally that so many people and businesses have chipped in to renovate the place, which now looks amazing, and an absolute pleasure for <u>County Cllr</u> <u>Andre Camilleri</u>. and I to have been able to help in some small way with a bit of funding towards it.

They're increasingly making this a sustainable model for delivering services, as well as expanding and diversifying what they do. Craig has been a big part of the County Council developing its support services for Kinship Carers, for example.

So a big thank you and well done to Debbie, Craig, Tracey, Carmel and to the whole team for everything they do, for all the lives they touch and families they help! And a big congratulations Hetty's team on your new forever home



Nationally significant new Rehabilitation hospital for Notts!

This new hospital in Nottinghamshire is amazing! An investment of more than £100m, specifically in Rehabilitation, which is the area that to be honest our health system isn't great at right now.

The NHS does some amazing things, but we lag behind other countries when it comes to getting people fully back on their feet, back to work and back to normal.

This new hospital will sit alongside the Defence National Rehabilitation Centre **DNRC** - our Armed Forces are amazing at this - and utilise the research and equipment there, so that NHS patients can get the kind of state of the art rehab support that does amazing things for wounded soldiers.

An AMAZING and nationally significant project, so brilliant that it's here in Nottinghamshire

It's one of several new hospitals, with Mansfield's new Community Diagnostic Centre also coming soon!



Progress on our new Diagnostic Centre!

Hundreds of extra NHS health checks are now available in Mansfield, in temporary new space ahead of the build and opening of our new Community Diagnostic Centre.

The new centre will offer thousands of extra tests and scans, with huge new capacity to tackle waiting lists and deliver quicker treatment. All fantastic news and a big investment in Mansfield





Primary School Parking

Great news that **Nottinghamshire County Council** have implemented new plans to ensure that every primary school we build comes with proper infrastructure for drop off and pick up, to help manage the often chaotic parking situation and keep kids safe.

There's no quick fix for school parking issues, it happens everywhere, but where we're building or improving facilities we'll be able to act and ensure they all have a turning circle and proper capacity on the road network to manage these peak times.

Find out more here!



Ravensdale SEND school progress...

Thanks to the fantastic work of Conservative Councillors and Council Officers this school gets closer to becoming a reality!

Councillor Andre Camilleri wrote more on this in the Chad back in March, read here!

> Read more here



Powered wheelchair for Mansfield Bowling Club!

Fantastic news. Really pleased to have been able to contribute towards this, and that the club have secured the money!

> Read more here



Speaking with Conservative Renewal!

We spoke about education, infrastructure, the Red Wall and how issues around culture cut through everything we do. Find out more by clicking/tapping below!

Watch here!



Really good news this week that the Prime Minister announced over £2bn to repair roads in the Midlands. That's a huge amount of money and could be massive in our fight to improve roads around Nottinghamshire



Calling out some of the BLM hypocrisy

This week we've seen the organisation Black Lives Matter glorifying terrorists and the killing of innocent people in Israel, just days after evidenced emerged of Hamas having decapitated BABIES and burned children alive.

Utterly, completely appalling. To those who have maintained that this was a non-political organisation or that BLM were some benign force for good, you were so wrong. They are, and have always been, hard-left extremists.

The idea that we're still idolising their campaign in Britain today, especially after their statements on Hamas this week, is awful.

Read more here



Thank you to local volunteers and supporters!

Top evening at Portland College last weekend with members and supporters of <u>Mansfield Conservatives</u> and <u>Ashfield</u> <u>Conservatives</u>. A night with friends and comedy, and raising some funds for future election campaigns. Cheers everyone!

Out and about



around New Mill Lane!

A beautiful day to deliver leaflets (in the rain)!

Out and about near New Mill Lane, with the latest updates from your local MP and our local **Mansfield Conservatives** team



Town Halloween event!

Another fab town centre event coming up soon with <u>Mansfield</u> <u>BID - Business Improvement</u> <u>District</u>...

It's FREE, between 10:30 and 16:00 on the 28th October.





Mansfield Lawn Tennis Club presents The Big Bonfire!

Get tickets here!

Your feedback matters!



Every so often I like to ask Mansfield constituents to share a general sense of their thoughts and priorities, both in terms of local and national issues, and also on the politics of it all.

It only take two minutes to tell me what you think, and it helps me to make sure I'm on the right track.

Please take my survey here, and help me to do the best job that I can.

Fill in the survey here

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STARMER & LABOUR SAME OLD SHORT-TERM POLITICS

LABOUR'S RECORD IN THE EAST MIDLANDS...



And finally... This week's column



"New Levelling Up fund brings town centre investment to £150m since becoming Mansfield MP"

Thank-you for reading my latest update, I hope you have a great weekend!

Warmest regards,

Ben Bradley MP, for Mansfield & Warsop



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