



This week's news from Ben Bradley MP



Local elections less than 3 weeks away!

I've been out in Mansfield with local Councillors, Sinead Anderson and County Cllr Andre Camilleri along with the fabulous Angela Richardson MP who's come all the way up from Guildford to help us locally.

We're letting people know about some of the positive local changes that are happening, including our new Community Diagnostic Centre, new Leisure Centre, new University Campus, four schools being rebuilt...

Loads of positive progress to let residents know about, including some big changes happening to our area on May 2nd as we elect a first regional Mayor.

Read my latest 'Nottinghamshire View' magazine here to find out more!



Working hard campaigning ahead of local elections. There's now less than three weeks to go before we choose our first regional mayor! This isn't a party political role really, and we're not electing a Government. The key thing it that it's vital we get the best local person with the experience to do the job.

Follow my campaign at [fb.com/benbradleyem](https://www.facebook.com/benbradleyem)

Find out more about my top 4 priorities for transport here!

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Join my constituents only Facebook group here!



Looking back on a busy March!



Big promotion at Berry Hill Utd!

Big promotion this week to become Assistant Coach of Berry Hill United u9s, just for the day!

Loved having a run around with the kids so big thanks to Coach Ian for the invite.

Ian got in touch a while back after seeing one of my posts about grassroots sport, and I set them up with local County Cllr Andre Camilleri to look at a bit of support from the County Council. Glad we could help.

Having been a past club-Chairman and a youth coach myself, I know how much time and effort goes in from volunteers, and from mums and dads, to make clubs work and to get kids out playing.

So a HUGE thanks to Ian, and everyone like him who gives up their time to do something amazing for young lads and girls locally giving them this opportunity to play sports.

I recently helped launch some funding and a new grassroots sports strategy for Notts, working with Nottingham Forest, and I've got even bigger plans to help local clubs and improve facilities, if I get the chance in May.

[Find out more here!](#)



Dropping in to see the Peaceful Trust Dementia Cafe with a big cheque!

Great to drop in to Focus Point Vale Road to see Charlene and the gang from The Peaceful Trust Dementia Cafe. There she is hiding at the back with a big cheque, which I brought along to help fund their next trip out to the Arboretum in a few weeks time.

These guys do amazing work in our community, supporting so many people, and it's an absolute pleasure to be able to help in some small way. But lovely to see everyone, and to chat through a few things.



Visiting the LIFE Church on Bellamy Road!

I've been to the LIFE Church on Bellamy Road where I met Rob and Simon to learn more about the work they do with the local community on Oak Tree and Bellamy.

We're always quick to amplify the negatives, but as I go round Mansfield what always strikes me is just how many people, organisations and groups are doing wonderful things, often as volunteers, to support our community.

The Church here pride themselves on their 'welcome' and they work really hard to help local people in need and to be a social space for people, with all sorts of activities alongside their church services.

A big thanks to them and to all involved - and to everyone who works to help others in our community - for all that they do!



More major resurfacing kicks off in Mansfield!

As promised, our major £33m road improvement plans are kicking off right now. The A60 near West Notts/A617 is being resurfaced.

This is also coming shortly to the A617/Pleasley Hill, to Peafield Lane, to the A617/Rainworth Bypass and many more. That follows work recently being completed on Southwell Road West/Berry Hill Ln.

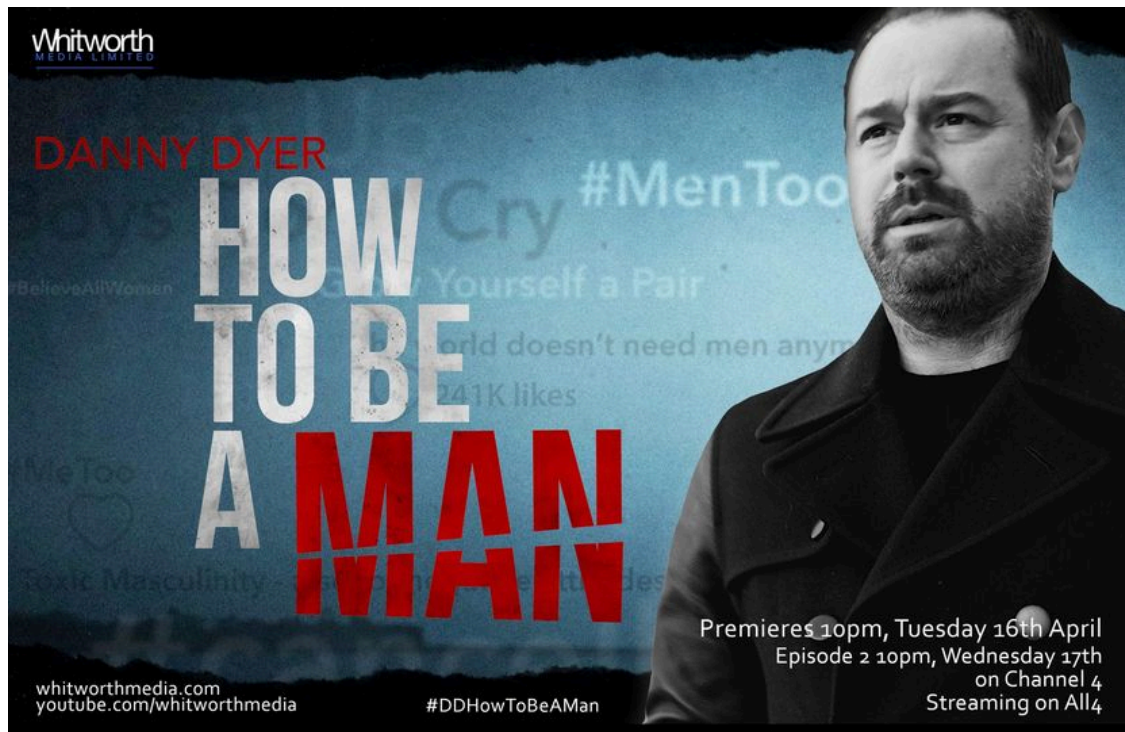
I know our roads are in a poor state, after the wettest winter on record. That's why I've kicked off this new £33m investment programme. But I also know there's an absolute tonne more needed.

Whilst many politicians are happy taking photos looking angry near potholes,

I've actually gone and out secured us a new £1.5bn transport fund that means from this May we can deliver new, major investment in sorting the roads out.

That's a game changer. If I'm elected on May 2nd I'll use that funding to invest heavily in our roads. I'm the ONLY candidate with that firm commitment and a plan to sort it, and I'm the ONLY candidate who's actually doing anything about it whilst the others stand around pointing fingers.

[Click here to find out more on this](#)



Mansfield on TV: Update

Remember a few weeks ago I shared the news that Mansfield was going to feature in a documentary, with Danny Dyer, about Men's Mental health.

He came last year and spoke with residents, as well as a chat with me about my work in Parliament raising the challenges facing young men in places like Mansfield. The stats on male mental health and suicide in particular are horrifying, and I've made raising these kinds of issues a big priority.

The update is, we now have some dates and times - it will be on TV next week, on Tuesday and Wednesday at 10pm, and then both will be available on All Four. **Mansfield features in the first episode, on Tuesday night.**

Looking forward to seeing it, and I hope it's something positive for the many people locally who are or have been affected by this important issue.



Talking all things Politics!

I've been at the University of Nottingham talking to Tom who is head of the Media society, for a podcast about all things politics.

A pleasure to chat about everything, from Government and Westminster, to local issues in Mansfield, the Council, and the new Combined Authority that's kicking off in a few weeks.

We're blessed with some fantastic universities here, including of course NTU as well and the brilliant new Mansfield Campus that they've developed with West Notts College. So I'm always keen to engage with the students as well as the organisations themselves.

PLAN FOR WATER



SPEEDING UP water company investment worth £1.6 billion



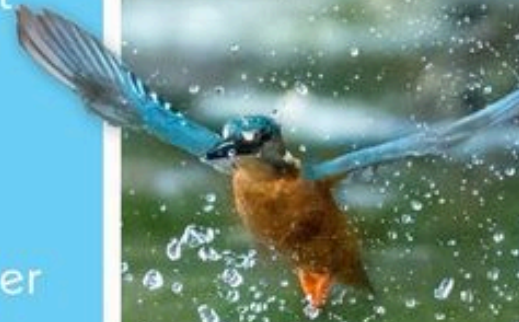
CREATING a new Water Restoration Fund backed by water company fines




UNLIMITED penalties for polluting our waterways



BANNING the use of plastic in wet wipes



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Making progress with our plan for water

This week we announced up to £11 million in water company fines will be directly reinvested in schemes to improve our waterways, as we stick to our long-term plan to clean up our water environment and make polluters pay for the damage they cause.

We understand how important our precious waterways are to local communities and to nature, which is why as part of our Plan for Water, we are taking tough action to ensure polluters always pay. We have introduced unlimited fines for water companies and since April 2022, all water company penalties have been ringfenced to improve the water environment, making sure that money – taken from water company profits only – is channelled directly back into our waterways.

Labour don't have a plan for the environment, which is why storm overflows were two-thirds higher under Labour in Wales than in England. We are sticking to our long-term plan to improve water quality across the country, ensure

polluters always pay, and give communities the power to improve the local water environment.



Labour plans will raise our taxes.

Says it all! Just when we're getting back on a level and taxes start to come down, guess what... Labour's 'Tax Experts' have done their work, and they want to raise your taxes! Who knew...

[Find out more...](#)

And finally... This week's column



"I've secured investment that will finally fix our roads"

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

Warmest regards,

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for Mansfield & Warsop**



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