Bamford Conservatives Including Oakenrod



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SENIOR COUNCIL OFFICERS PAY INCREASES

Your Bamford Ward Councillors opposed the large pay increases to senior council officers, which included the chief executive.

The proposals went before the last full council meeting for a decision. Just some fifteen minutes before the meeting Labour introduced an amendment which at first appeared to propose a 1% rise for all staff. But careful reading revealed a total increase of £39,000 was still on the cards for several senior officers. The Conservative and Liberal Democrats voted against the pay awards but were defeated due to Labour's majority on council.

Conservatives thought the pay rises were inappropriate when hard working families and people on fixed income were having to make sacrifices to clear up the mess that Labour left the country in.



SOME GOOD NEWS HOWEVER

Due to a government grant and Conservative pressure on council there will be no rise in council tax this year.

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20 MPH ZONES NEAR SCHOOLS

Councillor Ian Duckworth has welcomed the introduction of 20 mph zones near schools.

Working alongside local people Ian overcame the problem of reducing the speed limit from 40mph to 20mph close to St Michael's School on Bury & Rochdale Old Road and Queens Park Road by researching the issue and introducing temporary speed reductions at school opening and closing times with the construction of warning lights and road markings.



ROCHDALE CEMETERY



The entrance to Rochdale Cemetery on Bury Road has always been an important feature on Bamford residents. The gates in particular are of great interest and are listed but unfortunately the dilapidated state of the two lodges spoil what used to be an imposing gateway to the Cemetery.

These are just a handful of achievements of your Bamford councillors. It would take many more leaflets to feature all the successful battles we've won working alongside local residents.

If you've got a problem, or wish to take up a local issue with your Conservative team our details are on the front of this leaflet. Remember, unlike the other parties we are here all year round, every year.

NEXT AREA FORUM

Next Bamford & Oakenrod Area Forum: Monday 17th February at 6.30 p.m. Bamford Chapel, Norden Road.

Your Councillors have had meetings with residents and have also received emails complaining about the lack of maintenance to these important structures.

We have worked hard to push the Council to repair these buildings and at last decisions have been made as to their future usage and work has started on the right hand lodge. This building will become the headquarters for the Cemetery administration staff and maintenance staff.

The left hand building is to be sold and Councillor Pat Sullivan, pictured right, will endeavour to ensure that there are appropriate covenants to preserve the necessary tranquillity of the Cemetery.

CAN YOU HELP YOUR LOCAL CONSERVATIVES?

Are you able to help your local Conservative team in any of the following ways:

- Deliver leaflets in your area
- Join the local Party
- Stand for Council
- Vote by post
- Display a poster at election time
- Attend social events

If so, please contact one of your local councillors.

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LET BRITAIN DECIDE

It has been nearly 40 years since the British people last had their say on Europe. In that time, so much has changed - the countries involved, the powers devolved, the benefits and costs of membership.

People feel that the EU is heading in a direction they never signed up to. It is right to negotiate a fresh settlement in the EU that is better for Britain - and then put the result to the British people in an in-out referendum. This isn't just a Conservative campaign - it's for everyone who believes that we need a different relationship with the EU and that the British people deserve a say.

Why We Need a Referendum

- **1** Europe has changed. More change is Imminent
- People feel that the EU is heading in a direction that they never signed up to
- We need a fresh settlement that is better for Britain based on fairness, flexibility and competitiveness
- We should let the British people have their say on that new settlement through an in-out referendum.



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