

NORTHAMPTON LABOUR PARTY

Castle Ward

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Dear First Time Voter,

I am one of your ward councillors and I would like to introduce myself to you. My name is Danielle and I have been a councillor with the borough since May 2011. Since being elected I have spent a lot of time getting to know people in Castle ward and working with them on issues that affect them.

I have produced a report which I copy here for you.

I would also like to introduce you to Lee Barron.



Election Day is Thursday November 15th 2012.

Please use your vote for Lee.

Check out his face book and twitter 'Barron on the Beat'

Lee is standing for the Labour party for the important post of Police Commissioner. He has promised that if elected he will make it a priority to keep our streets and our communities safe by making sure we have more police doing frontline work.

He has also promised that he will listen to local people and work with local people to bring crime down and make our town a good place to live in.

This contrasts with what the Tories are doing-cutting police numbers and taking officers away from frontline work.

Please vote for Lee in November. He will be good for the town and good for the county.

Councillors Report July 2012

The Labour Group has been conducting several high profile campaigns.

1. For Unitary status- defeated at council but still on our agenda.
2. For public safety -to restore street lighting, protect PCSOs and maintain CCTV coverage- defeated at council but campaigning continues.
3. Licensing-to increase regulation for taxi cabs and improve licensing service for clubs and pubs. Partial victory –service reorganised with two new officers. **Agreed** age of taxis is not the issue it is the condition.
4. To restore a pest control service -partial victory. The administration has created a hardship fund.
5. To restore the St Crispins Fair- **Agreed**
6. To have a public meeting re the bus interchange
7. Against whole sale stock transfer of council housing
8. Monitoring the development-or lack of developments around the Grosvenor Centre calling Legal and General and the administration to account.
9. Monitoring the effectiveness of the Enterprise contract and calling for the administration to implement penalties where Enterprise falls short of meeting targets. **Agreed**
10. Calling for an all -party working group to work with communities on a proposal to develop a purpose built mosque for the town.

Your Councillors for Castle and Abington borough wards and St Crispins, County Division

Cllr. Aziz sits on the Planning Committee and General Purposes.

Cllr. Choudary is on the constitution committee, licensing committee and represents the council on the CAB Management committee. He is the shadow portfolio holder for communities

Cllr. Strachan is a borough councillor and a county councillor. He sits on Licensing,

Cllr. Stone is the shadow portfolio holder for Regeneration and Planning and sits on the Overview and Scrutiny committee. At present it is looking at the Retail Experience, Violent and Acquisitive Crime, Shared Services and the use of section 106 monies for local infrastructure development. Cllr. Stone represents the borough on the County Health and Social Care scrutiny board and is a trustee for Northampton Leisure Trust, and is on the Spring Lane Childrens Centre Advisory Board.

Other

- We are supporting local residents who want to open up St Edmunds Road churchyard for use as a park
- We have worked with residents and planners to improve the plans for the St Johns development
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- We are asking questions about St Edmunds hospital development.
- Land behind the St Crispin's pub is for sale and we are asking the borough what consultation they are planning for use of the land.
- Each borough councillor has £3000 of public money to spend on community activity. Grants can be awarded of £200 + for the benefit of the people in the wards.
- Cllrs Choudary and Stone recently went on the night patrol with Open Door to see at first hand the issues for rough sleepers.

