

**Around and about!!**



**Shropshire Council & Shrewsbury Town  
Council Elections – June 4<sup>th</sup> 2009**

**Castlefields & Ditherington**



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## From Alan Mosley to all residents

It has been an honour to represent you for the last 4 years. I have enjoyed meeting so many of you and have appreciated your positive feedback.

I have now been adopted to stand for re-election on June 4<sup>th</sup> and hope that you will have the confidence in me to do a good job for the future.

These are challenging times and work on the new Council will demand **ability, time, experience, energy and determination.**

**I am committed to representing all residents by working with senior officers and members of all parties for the good of Castlefields & Ditherington.**

Aged 61, and born in Stoke, I have lived in Shrewsbury since 1974. I am married to Jackie, have two children (both attended Martin Wilson), Tom and Laura, who has three children. Formerly a lecturer and then manager at Shrewsbury College, I now spend an average of 4 days per week on Councillor duties and the rest on family, walking, reading, sport and travel.

- **20 Newsletters** delivered throughout Castlefields and Ditherington.
- Regular '**local news**' issued through large email group.
- **Website** established for local information (alanmosley.co.uk).
- **Regular attendance** at local group activities and meetings.
- **High profile** in the press in support of local issues.

### At County level, member of:

- Economy & Environment Scrutiny Panel (Chair).
- Climate Change Task & Finish Group (Chair).
- Rights of Way Committee.
- County Performance Panel.
- Implementation Executive.
- Interim Town Council.

## What of the future and the new Council??

**The new Shropshire Council must provide improved services, greater efficiency, with lower tax increases and more say for residents.**

- We must find a **fairer way of distributing schools funds** so that empty spaces in many small schools are not subsidised at the expense of funding in others.
- **Care services** must respond better to the demands of an ageing population.
- **Climate change** is happening and we must make it a top priority to reduce Shropshire's impact and adapt to it: for our young people and their children.
- The development of **affordable housing is sadly lacking** and more building is essential to satisfy the urgent demands and help economic recovery.
- **We need a university** presence and improvements to our post 16 facilities.
- There should be an **integrated transport system** with more Park and Ride, better public transport and safer routes for pedestrians and cyclists.
- **A rigorous review of all service areas** must be completed in the first year, based on **value for money** and real evidence a significant positive contribution.
- **I cannot see how a Shropshire Incinerator will help** our efforts to reduce waste or encourage recycling and there are claims that it may result in health hazards.

## Working hard for Castlefields and Ditherington I have:

**Established the successful Local Forum** which produced the Local Plan and brought £20k into the area for local groups and facilities.

Represented the area as an active member of many key organisations:-

- Castlefields Action Team
- Martin Wilson School Governors
- The Flaxmill Steering Group
- Castlefields Cybercafe Committee.
- Ditherington Action Group
- The Grange School Governors
- The Pleasure Day Committee
- Chair of Friendly Neighbours

**Led numerous local campaigns** including opposing two mobile phone masts

**Formed successful partnerships** with police, Severnside and Council Officers

**Ensured prompt response and action** on resident's issues

**Worked with individuals and families** on issues relating to: housing need, education, community services, planning, litter, traffic, public transport, benefits, open spaces and recreation.

**Represented local people** concerned about issues in their neighbourhood

## Locally, I will continue to work hard for you on:

- **The development of the Flaxmill**, with work starting on site within 18 months.
- **CCTV coverage** in Ditherington with improved systems in Castlefields.
- **Clear and firm action to deal with anti-social & unneighbourly behaviour.**
- **Continuing the fight to restore Post Office services for the area.**
- **Ensuring that there is maximum consultation with residents** and that your voice is heard.
- **Completion of the alternative route for the Dana footpath.**
- **Continuing the excellent work of the C & D Local Forum.**
- **Better street cleansing, litter collection and street lighting.**
- **More for our young people** including facilities and detached youth workers.
- **Further partnership working** with the Police, Severnside, Council departments and other organisations.
- **Creating a comprehensive customer service facility** – 'Telly Talk'.
- **Giving strong support to local groups** and maximise funding for them.
- **Demanding action on the Northern Corridor Improvement Plan** to bring vital development throughout the area.
- **Ensuring roads, footpaths, estates and open spaces** are well maintained and that residents feel safe in their neighbourhoods.
- **Maintaining a high profile for Castlefields and Ditherington** in the mind and actions of service providers and decision makers.

**Polling Day: - Thurs. June 4<sup>th</sup> from 7.00am to 10.00pm**

**Voting at: - Castlefields & Ditherington Community Halls.**

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