Musters Ward

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Forget about Cameron, Miliband, Clegg and others. They are not standing for Rushcliffe Council. <u>Use your local vote for local issues.</u>
Please support us.



Rushcliffe Borough Council Elections Thursday 7 May 2015

Please re-elect us as your Rushcliffe Borough Councillors Strong local resident voices representing Musters Ward

We would like to continue serving you and doing our best to represent you.



Rod Jones lives on Repton Road. He and his wife have lived there for over 39 years. Their four children attended local schools. He retired from Child Care work in the County and does some work for the courts. Rod advocates action in the community and does so by being a:

- long-standing teacher at Rushcliffe Family Swimming Club
- member of Repton Road Neighbourhood Watch
- volunteer with the Friends of Sharphill Wood doing conservation work
- chair of the local Surestart liaison group
- > member of St George's Patient Participation Group.



Karrar Khan lives on Melton Road. He, his wife and two children have lived in West Bridgford for over 29 years. He managed Pharmaceutical Development at Boots and Knoll. He now manages his consultancy business and is a Visiting Professor. Karrar is:

- passionate about standards in business. He is a Fellow of the Royal Pharmaceutical Society
- ➤ a keen cricketer who enjoyed a long cricket playing career. In 2006, he was awarded a life time achievement award by the England and Wales Cricket Board
- > a retired Magistrate and a past president of a Lions club
- ➤ a human rights activist and was the Liberal Democrat Parliamentary candidate for Rushcliffe in 2005 and 2010.

We opposed plans to build near Sharphill Wood at every stage. We are now seeking to limit the damage by making strong representations and meeting with residents and planners to try to improve the current plans. The Conservatives forced through building plans which mean greater urban sprawl, building behind Boundary Road houses, 4 more sets of traffic light junctions on Melton Road and more traffic down Musters and adjoining roads. Also the previously proposed community park shrank in size! Suddenly Conservative candidates are saying they are concerned!!!

We have pushed for improvements on plans for Leisure Centres, for pedestrian- and cycle-friendly changes. We work with the Police when they are setting priorities and include alerts in our emails. We asked for interactive speed signs. We report failed street lights, need for litter collection, weed removal and surface water problems.

We support many local community activities and encourage the use of local shops and our Post Offices. We have recommended our community grants for projects at the Friary, facilities in St Paul's community hall, preschool groups and several local sports and conservation groups.

Rod Jones Liberal Democrat Karrar Khan Liberal Democrat Liberal Democrat Liberal Democrat

WE WILL CONTINUE TO WORK FOR YOU ALL YEAR ROUND

If you have a postal vote, you will receive your ballot paper around 21 April and you should post it before 3 May. If you do not post it in time, you can still bring it to your Polling Station on 7 May at any time up to 10.00 pm.

MUSTERS WARD VOTE FOR KARRAR KHAN & ROD JONES



We must do our utmost to preserve Sharphill Wood and wildlife. We need a decent grassland community park and green spaces to stroll, to connect with nature and appreciate the views.

- ➤ In 2007 and 2011 you trusted us to take on the Conservatives and to stand up for Musters Ward and West Bridgford.
- ➤ We help provide an effective opposition to the complacent Conservative majority on Rushcliffe Borough Council.
- We are grateful for the overwhelming support you gave us.
- We and our colleagues have been very active on Council matters. We try to keep abreast of residents' views, planning matters and the changing plans for Sharphill.



Campaigning with and supporting residents is what we do.

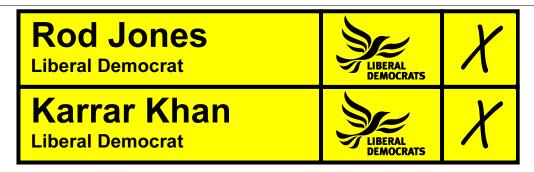


IF ELECTED:

- We will support the provision of **low-cost housing** in Rushcliffe. We believe that building should be driven by what people want and not what is most profitable for developers and landowners. We will argue for a balance of the need for housing with green spaces and the rural character of Rushcliffe. We will promote eco-friendly standards for new homes and press for safe pedestrian and cycling routes. We oppose developments with insufficient changes to local infrastructure.
- ➤ We will press for all Council decisions to be made **openly and transparently** with the interests of residents being paramount. We will continue to challenge the assumptions of the dominant Conservative group on the Council. We believe that the Council should involve all parties at all levels in the Council's decision-making.
- We will continue to argue for the introduction of a Town Council for **West Bridgford**, to give local people a greater say in planning and paying for their services and providing connections between community groups. We are fed up with out-of-town Tories deciding what is best locally.
- ➤ We will press, with residents and businesses, to improve **recycling** rates and **road cleaning**. We will continue to press the County Council to ensure that roads, footpaths and verges are properly maintained and cleaned and also gritted in winter.
- > We will continue to present the case for a **community toilet scheme** in partnership with local businesses to increase the overall provision of public toilets.
- We believe that our **leisure centres** should be kept clean, fit for purpose and family-friendly. We will encourage the involvement of the community and sports groups in leisure centres and parks.
- We will argue that car-parking throughout Rushcliffe should be reviewed and that the County Council should introduce **Park and Ride** sites at Gamston, Ruddington and other suitable places.
- > We will continue to liaise with the **police** to monitor their effectiveness, to improve their response to residents' needs and to combat crime.

Our candidates in other wards in West Bridgford are:

David Turner (Edwalton), John Banks (Abbey), Juliette Khan (Lutterell) and Keith Jamieson (Compton Acres).



We keep you informed about local matters in our Focus Newsletters. For those who want them we issue monthly community news emails. If you'd like to receive these emails contact rm.j@ntlworld.com