

Shirebrook

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April 2023



Your local Labour Party delivering for you

- Investing in the town
- Increasing opportunities for more skilled jobs
- Delivering local housing
- Supporting our local businesses



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and Parish Council elections on
Thursday 4 May 2023

 **Labour**
In Bolsover District

Since the last District Election in 2019 your Labour councillors representing you have been committed to ensuring the residents, businesses and visitors to our communities receive the best possible services and its fair share of funding.

During these four years, Shirebrook has seen significant investment and regeneration on projects such as:

- ✓ Building more council properties to help meet a growing local demand
- ✓ Local businesses have received help and support through our dedicated free advertising opportunities
- ✓ £3.85million has been spent on refurbishing and extending Ashbourne Court to provide our elderly and vulnerable with a modern, efficient home
- ✓ Supporting the installation of the Mining Memorial on the Market Place
- ✓ Investing over £9million on building the Roseland Park and Crematorium that will serve the entire District



Chris Kane
Labour Councillor



Janet Tait
Labour Councillor

- ✓ The provision of free or hugely subsidised events for young people and the elderly to enjoy

- ✓ Petitioning the Tory controlled county council who are responsible for highway repairs to resurface sections of roads and streets in our communities

- ✓ Working with our partners to develop a Community Rail Partnership that will help increase usage of the Robin Hood Line and attract visitors to our area.

These are just a taste of what we have achieved to date and we are continuing to improve and develop our communities. We have big ambitions for the town and with your help we can make these ambitions become reality.



Jen Wilson
Labour Councillor



Jane Yates
Labour Candidate

Our ambitions for Shirebrook

When we are out and about talking to people we get a sense of what is important to you. We feel that over the past four-years we have proven that when we say something, we do it.

We don't use slogans or spin-doctors, just good old fashioned plain English and a commitment to making things happen. So if you re-elect us, below are the main ambitions that we want to implement for our parish. However, this is not the limit to our ambitions, but just a flavour of some of things you can expect to see happen.

1. Affordable housing

We know there is a shortage of good quality council properties in the town. On the back of the successful Hilltop and Fir close developments, we aim to build more council properties in areas of need through our wholly-owned company Dragonfly Development Ltd. These properties will be modern, energy efficient and meet a need in the area.

We will also engage with local house builders to purchase properties to help local young people and families get on the housing ladder.



2. Economy

Our local businesses are a key factor in our ambitions to drive up the health and wealth of the area. The majority of these businesses are independent traders and do not have large marketing budgets. We will support all businesses in Shirebrook by delivering a campaign to encourage people to Shop Local - Spend Local by promoting the current high street offer and providing free marketing opportunities through platforms like digital signage, Bolsover TV and residents publications. We will continue with our commitment to develop a Growth Plan that will provide us with opportunities to develop the economic, social and environmental ambitions we all share.

3. Jobs and connectivity

Expanding the Robin Hood Line from Shirebrook to Ollerton to increase the social and economic opportunities available to local residents. We are continuing to work with East Midlands Railway and other partners to develop the line, providing you with more leisure, job and skills opportunities. We also want to create a Skills Hub that can serve the town and act as a hub to help train or offer new skills to people in areas such as technology, electronics and communications.



4. Leisure and social activities

We all know how important leisure and open spaces are for our wellbeing so we will develop the leisure and recreational activities available to local residents. We will support the provision of a new Shirebrook Cricket Pavilion, develop the activities available at Shirebrook Leisure Centre and update our local playgrounds to help stimulate our children's minds. We will also provide more social and cultural opportunities and events for people to attend that will enhance people's quality of life.

5. Environment

Climate change is always a hot topic and although we can't solve it on our own, we can do our bit to help. So we will continue to help tackle this problem through modern methods of construction in our house and commercial property building programme that will reduce the reliance on gas and encourage sustainability. We will also continue with our tree planting schemes and continually improve our burgundy bin recycling service by offering residents more opportunities to recycle their waste.

6. People and communities

The past three years have not been easy for anyone. The Pandemic, the cost of living crisis and rising household bills are continuing to hit everyone hard. We will continue to provide Warm Spaces for people to attend, offer advice and information on what benefits or help people are entitled to and continue our commitment to promote local voluntary and community groups, helping them attract new members and increase their fundraising efforts through schemes like Bolsover district Community Lottery. We will also continue to develop community cohesion through residents groups and work with the Police to combat anti-social behaviour and crime.



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