

Chase Issues

News from the Cannock Chase Green Party



Staffordshire Countryside SAVED

Paul's campaign to save the countryside from sale by the County Council achieved an important milestone last month. Paul presented our petition, almost 12,000 signatories to a debate of the County Council and it was accepted in a named vote that they would not sell any of our areas of outstanding natural beauty and green spaces.

This is an incredible impact of People Power and grateful for everyone who contributed in helping change the Council's thinking. We still need to shape the consultation, which closes on January 24th, to protect the Countryside Estate from privatisation and will continue to campaign to protect our Green Spaces. This has developed greater significance since the Government approved last month that Fracking could now be undertaken under Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty, such as Cannock Chase, and badger cull is being extended to other counties including Staffordshire. Our campaign continues and we will fight to ensure the countryside is **Ours to Enjoy, not Theirs for Profit.**



Raising Awareness of Homelessness



On the run up to Christmas Paul supported a rough sleep out event on the streets of Birmingham. This was an enlightening and revealing experience which, as well as giving an insight in to the challenges of sleeping rough on the streets, also raised over £3000 to buy essential winter supplies for the homeless in preparation for the cold weather.

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Can you help Paul in the community and deliver this newsletter on your street

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This Newsletter is supported by a website www.chaseissues.co.uk
You can also listen to Paul on Cannock Radio Fridays noon—2pm



Dear Neighbour

HAPPY NEW YEAR and welcome to Edition 6 of the Community Newsletter from the Cannock Chase Green Party working for the Common Good across our area and keeping you informed of issues raised by neighbours -

**Paul Woodhead & the
Cannock Chase Green Party**

“Working all year around”

Although not elected to the Council, a number of neighbours have asked for help on some specific issues and if there is anything I can help you with please get in touch directly. After visiting every street locally over the past few months, Paul will be coming around again in the next few weeks to help inform him in his role as Chair of the Safer Neighbourhood Panel in holding the local Police Chief to account.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

17th Jan National Bangers, Raceway

**30th Jan RSPB Big Garden Birdwatch
Museum of Cannock Chase**

**27th February A woodland mystery
Museum of Cannock Chase**

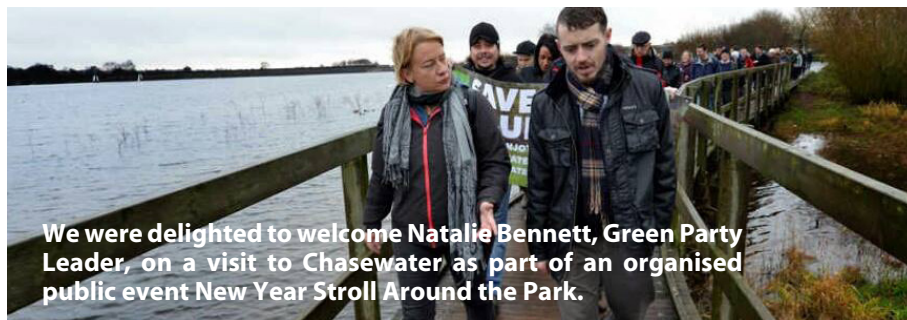
**Further details to follow of a town
wide weekend carnival**

More info at www.chaseissues.co.uk

Paul has been working hard for our community and here are some of the activities he has been involved with:



Green Leader Visits Cannock Chase



We were delighted to welcome Natalie Bennett, Green Party Leader, on a visit to Chasewater as part of an organised public event New Year Stroll Around the Park.



As well as campaigners to Save the Countryside she met with local residents and discussed the growth of the Green Party in Hednesford and Staffordshire.



PROUD LOCALS sign to Protect the Chase from Fracking

Cannock's green party, took to the buzzing town centre and despite the cold snap, spent many hours petitioning and talking to the public about a topic that is of great concern; fracking of the Cannock chase forest. A huge 'well done' not only to those that took part for collecting 277 signatures in just a few hours, but also to the citizens of Cannock for showing their concern and determination to pull together as a community by signing.

Holding our MP to Account

Since her election in May, Paul has made representations about a range of topics including recently:

Her support to allow fracking under National Parks and Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty.

The fallacy that Police and Crime

Commissioners should run the fire service.

The unrepresentative voting system towards proportional representation



On Boxing Day it was great to compete with other mascots for a half time race in front of close on 1000 supporters. This included Timmy Tyre from Hednesford Raceway, Hero the Bear and characters from the Friends of Hednesford Park

Hednesford Town FC Home Games

16th January North Ferriby United

29th January Curzon Ashton

13th February Gainsborough Trinity

20th February Chorley

27th February Brackley Town

12th March Alfreton Town

