

News from Cllr Paul Woodhead, Stuart Crabtree and the Cannock Chase Green Party

## Campaign for a Market for Hednesford's Market Street

**Paul Woodhead & Stuart Crabtree have been out and about listening to neighbours, visitors and traders in Hednesford. It is clear there is a great desire to see the return of a market on Market Street.**

The really good news is that after bringing together a market operator (Sketts), the Town Council and Hednesford in Partnership we will have four seasonal artisan markets in 2017. Put the dates in your diary, spread the word and come along to support each market to help add that much-welcome vibrancy to Hednesford.

The market is planned for four key dates through the year launching with the Valentine's Day Artisan Market on **Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> February**, followed by the Artisan Market for Staffordshire Day on **Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> April**. The final two of the year are linked to the Summer Festival on **Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> August** and the day following the 2017 Christmas Light Switch-on for **Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> December**.

The themed artisan market will include traditional and inventive crafts, local seasonal and fresh farmers produce, quirky continental foods and products all mixed with a unique blend of authentic street food.



Cllr Paul Woodhead



### Introducing Stuart Crabtree

Stuart was born in Cannock Chase to a military family then stationed overseas and now lives in Hednesford with his son just started at Kingsmead. Stuart has been working on many of our campaigns over the last year, is passionate about serving our local community and really inspired to make a positive impact across our communities in Hednesford and Rawsley.

## Working to Improve Our Community

Paul and Stuart are working with community groups to improve the environment of our community with a monthly weeding, clearing and litter picking. This is now a regular fixture as the **3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday every month meeting in the Hednesford Co-op car park at 9am** and



heading out from there. Please come along and help. If you have suggestions of areas we can work to clean-up, get in touch. The more of us there are to help, the better our environment. This is part of a concerted effort to help community groups win the "Best Kept Urban Village" award in the year ahead and will involve the entire community.

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You can listen to Paul on Cannock Chase Radio Fridays noon – 2pm


## Local Events

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec

Christmas Light Switch-on

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> Dec

HTFC Carols at Keys Park

Paul and Stuart have been working hard for our community and here are some of the activities they have been involved with: 

**Community Speedwatch – Making our Roads Safer**



*Paul with volunteers from the community preparing for speedwatch*

**The Community Speedwatch will be coming to our streets over the coming weeks and focused on the streets requested by residents.**

Paul and Stuart will let you know when we will be on your street, please come out and say hello and support the initiative. The more volunteers come forward have the more streets and times we can improve safety.

**Potholes at Hill Top**

**One of the recurring concerns we hear on every doorstep is the disgraceful condition of our roads, the number potholes and the length of time to complete repairs.**

Paul and Stuart report these frequently and have raised the extensive and repeated concerns regarding Hill Top specifically. The County Council are generally willing to patch up the holes temporarily and intend to do a resurfacing job in the future but they don't know when. Paul and Stuart think the wait has been too long already and will continue to push for a positive solution as soon as possible.

**Help please**

To get this newsletter delivered to everyone, Paul and Stuart rely on a large number of helpers. Can you help with delivery of this newsletter on your street an hour every other month. In particular can you help if you live on **Stagborough Way** or **Bradbury Lane**? **Please get in touch.**

**Work in the Council Chamber**

The District Council's Full Council meetings are now being broadcast through the Cannock Chase Green Party Facebook Page. Paul has also "called-in" the Council decision to privatise the proposed new cemetery for scrutiny and will be challenging the depth and scale of cuts to our services being planned by council leaders. You can tell the council your thoughts of their proposals or let Paul know.

**Paul and Stuart out and about – with some help!**

Elsewhere in this newsletter you will see the regular reporting, some initiated from neighbours, to improve our area and it is great to see some positive resolutions and progress being made. We are active all year round listening to your priorities and working hard for our community.



*Paul and Stuart out listening with volunteers*

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**Hednesford Town FC**

10 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Corby Town
15 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Blyth Spartans
31 <sup>st</sup> Oct	Sutton Coldfield Town
5 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Grantham Town
26 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Coalville Town
10 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Warrington Town
29 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Stourbridge