

GREEN PARTY Working for our community

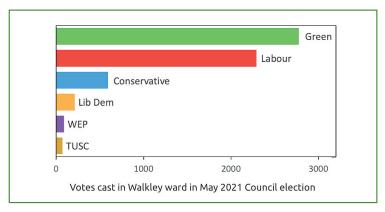
Early Autumn 2021

Walkley, Lower Walkley, Langsett, Birkendale, Crookesmoor, Upperthorpe, Bole Hill & Netherthorpe Edition

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THANK YOU

Many thanks to everyone who voted in the May City Council elections. **Bernard Little** was elected as one of your local councillors, with a good majority over his Labour opponent and the other parties far behind.



Bernard said "I'm delighted to have been elected as your councillor. I'll do my best to serve everyone here, whether they voted for me or not. I'm working with local residents, businesses, and community and tenants



groups trying to improve our area. I'm pleased that the recent referendum to change how Sheffield Council is run was won easily."

SUPPORTING OUR LOCAL COMMUNITIES

Since Bernard was elected as a councillor in May, he's been very busy helping residents with local issues and problems. The list below is a small sample of the items he's been dealing with recently.

Netherthorpe: Liaised with local community workers and housing officers to help residents of a tower block who have been moved while work is being done to make their homes dry and warm following extensive flooding.

Ponderosa: Supported the Nature Group following the inadvertent mowing of an ecologically sensitive area.



Bernard at Netherthorpe tower block

Crookesmoor: Working with Crookesmoor Community Forum to press for more waste bins on pavements in that area.

Waller Rd: Arranged for vegetation partially blocking a nearby footpath to be cleared.

Daniel Hill Mews: Working with residents to get overhanging trees pruned on land belonging to an absent private developer.

Bell Hagg Rd: Helped volunteer gardener to get communal litter bin emptied on Millennium Green.

Upperthorpe: Arranged for Sheffield Homes to clear up rubbish, which was causing problems for pedestrians, on a path near Martin St.

COUNCIL CO-OPERATIVE AGREEMENT

Bernard is now one of 13 Green councillors on the City Council. No party has an overall majority; and the Green and Labour Parties are jointly running the Council in a cooperative agreement.

From May 2022, the Council will implement the recent city-wide referendum vote, so that all local councillors will be involved in decision making. We aim to make the Council, and what it does, more open and accountable to local people.

Bernard said "These changes should mean improved services and facilities for local people. They should also help to focus citywide action to tackle the climate crisis, social inequalities and inadequate government funding for services in our area."

"For example, the Council decided recently to declare a Nature Emergency and prioritise phasing out spraying dangerous glyphosate on our streets and pavements. That should improve the environment, and help wildlife and green spaces in our area."





LOCAL BUSES

Bernard continues to press for the reinstatement of the 31 bus service serving Lower Walkley and Upperthorpe, following many local people's strong support for our petition 2 years ago. He has persuaded the Council Cabinet member for Transport to press the Transport Executive to improve the 135 replacement service in the meantime. He's also continuing to press for improvements to the 95 bus.

SAFE ROADS AND ACTIVE TRAVEL

Bernard said "I've been working with businesses on South Road to identify ways of improving parking, walking, and cycling arrangements. I'm pleased that so many local people support the proposals for a Low Traffic Neighbourhood in our area, which would mean improved road safety, less noise, reduced congestion and air pollution, and better pedestrian and cycling facilities. I'm also glad that the plans for the Loxley Valley Township have been turned down, because they would have meant more congestion at Malin Bridge."



Bernard on South Rd

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Get in touch if you need help with a local issue.

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