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SAFER ROADS

A new consultation on safety improvements to Ecclesall Road and Ecclesall Road South has highlighted **a lack of joined up thinking about safety**. Our area needs a joined-up plan, with one key part being a **crossing at the top of Carterknowle Road**. Peter Gilbert, the new Green Party councillor for Ecclesall, said:

“Residents have been asking for a crossing here for years but there’s nothing in the scheme. We know Carter Knowle Road is crossed by loads of kids getting to school and people going to the Silver Hill shops. We need a safe crossing to connect our neighbourhoods.”

Traffic on Ecclesall Road is rarely above 20mph in the day but speeds along at night,

with **people enjoying a night out risking life and limb**. More crossings and 20mph zones would help. Recent collisions on Knowle Lane, amongst other areas, have highlighted how **other roads also need slower traffic speeds and better enforcement**. We need to get road safety joined up across our neighbourhood.

Please join us in asking for the crossing on Carter Knowle Road and add your voice via **haveyoursay.sheffield.gov.uk/a625-road-safety**, until Thursday 7th November, or to **info@a625roadsafety.com**.

We know residents have strong and varying views on the scheme, so get in touch and let us know your priorities and ideas.



Where is our crossing? Local Green activist Tessa Lupton with Peter and other residents who want a safe crossing at the top of Carter Knowle Road.

A FAIRER SHEFFIELD



Peter campaigning for moorland to be managed for everyone’s benefit

The cost of living crisis needs to be tackled, from a fairer sharing of wealth, to better insulation for our homes, to a transformation of our welfare state. Fair regulation and taxation could increase access to housing, get cleaner air and water, and make sure **our land is managed for the benefit of all**. These are choices Greens in government would make. In Sheffield there is advice and support available, see **sheffield.gov.uk/cost-of-living**. If you’re in a position to help those struggling, Ecclesall Greens support S6 Foodbank, which helps people across the city, including in our area, see **sheffields6.foodbank.org.uk**. New funding is also available for **local groups to run projects or activities** about the environment, loneliness or the cost of living, contact Peter to find out more!

A NEW VOICE FOR ECCLESALL



Peter Gilbert reflects on his activity since being elected in May

It's been busy! My maiden speech in Council called for politicians to stop scapegoating and dividing communities and called for **reform of political advertising**. I also proposed an amendment that has committed the Council to **call for the UK to rejoin the EU**. I stood alongside my fellow Green councillors to **condemn the escalation of violence upon Gaza and Lebanon**, calling for a boycott of Israeli products and companies.

Of course, **most of my work in council is about our area**. I've supported the Sheaf and Porter Trust in their fight for an accessible footpath along the River Sheaf, **pushing developers to do better**. I've argued that the park keeper's lodge in Endcliffe Park, to be leased



Watch Peter's maiden speech!
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out by the council, should give preference for **social enterprise**. I've knocked on the doors of people living next to

a new proposed café/bar, discussing issues with **late-night noise from local businesses**.

I'm working with fellow Green councillors on issues including **the pedestrian crossing on Abbey Lane** joining up Ecclesall Woods, which has funding agreed and preparation going ahead. I'm working with local campaigners opposing a big new MUGA at Ecclesall Primary school - a meeting of **the planning committee was sympathetic to the campaign**.

I'm still actively engaged with our **Community Speed Watch** group. Concern and frustration about speeding cars comes up regularly in Ecclesall. Although only a small number of people break the limit, we know **it risks tragedy for children and adults just wanting to cross a road**. That's one reason why I wanted this newsletter to highlight the consultation about making Ecclesall Road safer.

I love Ecclesall and want to work with you to make our ward even better. If you have issues you want to raise then **please get in touch!**

BEING AN ANTI-RACIST NEIGHBOURHOOD



How can you make sure your neighbours **feel welcome when they might feel isolated**? Local mum and Green activist Tessa Lupton chalked messages on the pavement with her children. She says, "after seeing how the rioting had affected people I wanted to show people who might be feeling threatened or worried that our community supports them. We had some lovely comments from people passing by and the kids loved doing it". From street chalking to WhatsApp groups to local groups on Facebook, **try to connect and keep yourself connected**. Strong and welcoming communities can provide refuge for people fleeing devastation and tyranny. Please also support Sheffield as a City of Sanctuary: sheffield.cityofsanctuary.org



Our 14 Green councillors stand in support of Lebanon

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