

MARK FLETCHER MP

NEWSLETTER



July Newsletter



Dear {{ contact.FIRSTNAME }},

I hope you and your family are well.

It has been just over a month since my last update at the end of June, and despite a lot happening in Westminster with the Prime Minister's resignation and the Conservative Party leadership election, I have been working hard to ensure its business as usual in the Bolsover Constituency. That means helping constituents on a variety of casework issues from passports to benefit claims to reporting highway maintenance problems, raising issues in Parliament like the finances of Derby County FC and the impact of energy prices on the haulage industry, and continuing to progress key projects which will make a life changing difference to residents across our local communities.

Whether that's campaigning for post-16 education in the Bolsover constituency, tackling crime and anti-social behaviour, supporting our NHS, working with local schools to ensure every child reaches their full potential, attracting more skilled and high-paid jobs to our region, fighting inappropriate housing developments, regenerating our town centres or working to deliver essential transport and infrastructure projects.

Parliament has now broken-up for the Summer Recess - meaning I will be out and about across the constituency for the next 5-6 weeks delivering leaflets to update you on my work locally and launching surveys to get your views on what should be prioritised in your area. I will also be holding a number of surgeries and village hall events, so please get in touch if you would like to raise an issue or if you would just like to say hello to your Member of Parliament!

It is great to be able to escape Westminster and get back to doing what I love best - being out in the constituency, progressing my campaigns, visiting amazing organisations, and chatting with residents.

Finally, I would like to wish you all a lovely August and I hope to see as many as you as possible over the next few weeks.

Best wishes,

Mark



It was great to welcome Joe to my office for work experience



Visiting the amazing National Garden Scheme in Elmton



Lovely day out at Bolsover Gala



Brilliant afternoon at South Normanton Gala!



Shirebrook Academy

I had a great day at Shirebrook Academy for their Personal Development Day at the start of the month. Pupils had a day off their usual lessons and took part in all manner of activities.

Year 8 were having a digital detox day, and taking part in activities run by the Extreme Wheels team - climbing, drift bikes, zorbing as well as dancing, making pizza and playing card and board games.

Years 9s joined the Parliament Education Service on a virtual visit to Parliament learning about how our laws are made. I joined three groups for a very wide ranging question and answer session about current issues and what it is like being a Member of Parliament. I think the main takeaways were that no, I have never slept in the House of Commons, I've never met the Queen, and that my car is extremely boring - although we did have quite a long discussion about the impact that Russia's war against Ukraine is having on our economy and the rest of the world.

I met some really wonderful students who are an absolute credit to the school and their parents should be very proud.

Thank you to Mrs Horton, Mr Jacques, Mrs Chapman and all the students, teachers and staff in the school for being so welcoming.



Bolsover Older People's Forum

It was great to address members of the Bolsover Older People's Forum in Shirebrook, at an event originally planned for June 2020, but postponed due to the pandemic.

I had the opportunity to talk about my life and why I got involved in politics, my plan for the Bolsover Constituency, and an update on my current campaigns/priorities, as well as outline how I believe I have the best job in the world and that if we can work together we can help our communities achieve their amazing potential.

Thank you to Jo Marples at Derbyshire County Council for arranging the event.



Pleasley Scarecrow Festival

I very much enjoyed my visit to the annual Pleasley Scarecrow Festival - so many fantastic and imaginative creations. Events like these really do bring communities together, attract visitors into the area and help raise funds for charity - this year funds raised are going to St Johns Ambulance. My thanks to the Pleasley Parish Council for organising, the sponsors for helping fund the event, and thank you especially to everyone who took part either creating a scarecrow display or coming along to support the event.



Visiting Derbyshire Unemployed Workers Centre in Shirebrook

Earlier this month, I had a very worthwhile meeting with DUWC at their Shirebrook centre. They do vital work with residents of the town assisting with advice on immigration, homelessness, housing, employment and debt.

They hold drop in sessions in Creswell, Clowne, Pinxton, Bolsover and New Houghton.

My thanks to John Power and Colin Hampton for enabling the meeting, and to the advisers and volunteers for taking time out to talk about the primary issues they are seeing on a daily basis, and for all their hard work and passion for helping others.

[Find out more about DUWC](#)



Bolsover Civic Society

It was an absolute pleasure to attend the 'Summer Evening Soiree' by Bolsover Civic Society.

Over forty members and friends gathered in Old Bolsover Yard, on what was a fabulous summer's day with some excellent food provided by 'The Coffee Cup' and some very tasty local ales from Welbeck micro brewery. We were even serenaded by local violinist 'Arjays'!

Thank you to the Bolsover Civic Society for such a wonderful evening.

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Summer 2022

Throughout August I will be holding a number of

Constituent Surgeries

across the Bolsover constituency where you can arrange to meet with me to discuss issues and concerns that are important to you.

Please get in touch to make an appointment

Mark Fletcher MP

Need My Help - Book A Surgery Appointment

Over the parliamentary recess period I will be out and about in the constituency as much as possible, meeting residents and businesses, and will be holding a number of constituents' surgeries across the area. If you have an issue or concern that is important to you, and you would like to meet with me to discuss, please do get in touch to make an appointment.

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