

Yellow lines installed in Weston Village

FOR many years we've been pushing to deliver road improvements around Weston Village, and now works to install yellow lines along one of the hotspot areas have finished.

These not only help to make the streets safer and less congested, but also allows for buses to freely pass without obstruction.

The work safeguards the vital X5 route that was saved due to a campaign led by us following its axe in 2022.

Yellow lines have now been painted between Aspen Park Road and Shrewsbury Bow.



Picture of new yellow lines installed along the X5 bus route throughout Weston Village

New Haywood primary school



Image by Persimmon Homes Severn Valley of what the new Haywood Village primary school could look like

HAYWOOD Village could soon have a new 630-place primary school with nursery, community hall and MUGA. Persimmon Homes have submitted a planning application for a new school to be built near the Runway in 2025.

This is a fantastic opportunity to meet the rising demand for school places in Haywood Village but as your local councillors we know there are concerns about road safety and speeding.

We've met with North Somerset Council and Persimmon Homes regularly to feedback these concerns and share evidence of issues. A road safety assessment has happened, some design changes have been proposed and the highways teams are providing feedback on the application.

We'll wait for the outcome of the planning application, but our hope is we secure a planning condition to enhance road safety.

Labour town council budget

YOUR councillors are proud to have secured long-term support for struggling families and tidier communities at a crunch meeting to protect services during the cost-of-living crisis.

There were fears Citizens Advice would be forced to vacate their site in The Sovereign, but now with further financial help from the Labour-led town council, this important charity will stay local, in town, for years to come.

Also in the plans was a sum to keep our streets clean and tidy. The money will help volunteer groups to pick-up litter around town so the area stays well-kept for residents.

Labour-led Weston Town Council voted for the ambitious package at a budget meeting in January.

The Old Town Quarry will also see a huge renovation later this year to safeguard its future for the public. The town council will formally adopt the site from North Somerset Council very soon.

Do you have a local issue you need help with?

Please get in touch.



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PROGRESS: POTHOLED AND DAMAGED ROADS BEGIN TO BE REPLACED IN WESTON VILLAGE!



Picture of one of the newly resurfaced roads at Bransby Way outside Carberry View

AFTER our persistent lobbying and a lengthy campaign, we're thrilled to report successful resurfacing of some pothole ridden roads in Weston Village. Notably, part of Worle Moor Road, Bransby Way, and two sections of Longridge Way have seen block paving replaced with asphalt, a significant step toward fulfilling our election pledge.

Despite insufficient Government funding for road repairs allocated to North Somerset Council causing a substantial £50m backlog, we've begun to see progress.

Weston Village's roads, originally laid with block paving, have experienced sinking and loosening over time, prompting safety concerns and unsightly patchwork.

Residents have consistently expressed frustration to us as your councillors, and this is a campaign we have been working on for a while.

We know there are more roads to get resurfaced and we'll continue to push for further repairs over the next 12 months - including lobbying Government to increase repair funding.

"We're pleased with the progress made on our election pledge and we'll keep pressing for further resurfacing"

Cllr Cronnelly said



Weston Town Council is the parish council for Weston-super-Mare, not to be confused with North Somerset

Winterstoke Bridge update



Picture of Winterstoke Bridge which is due to be replaced within the next few years

ONE of our campaign promises last year was to ensure Haywood Village did not face traffic misery when the bridge in Winterstoke Road was replaced – we're still working on it!

The bridge is owned by the MoD and was first built as a temporary structure during WW2 to transport fighter planes from the old aircraft factories and RAF Weston. It's now unsafe and must be replaced.

Work was due to start in late 2023 but is now planned for late 2025 – planning is already under way.

As the road is a major link to Weston, we're liaising with the council to make sure suitable diversion strategies are in place to avoid unnecessary congestion in and around the estate during busy rush hours.

We're also working hands-on to guarantee the new bridge is accessible for walkers and cyclists too, in addition to a temporary footbridge for pedestrians while works are ongoing.

"This bridge is clearly a marvel of British engineering but must now serve residents in the 21st century. We will update you as soon as we know more."

Cllr Williams said

Labour-led Town Council to give play areas a facelift

LABOUR-led Weston Town Council is dedicated to ensuring that children have safe and enjoyable play areas. To achieve this, we have initiated a series of maintenance improvements across Weston's play areas. In particular, we are investing in the enhancement of the Maltlands Play Area in this ward. Weather permitting, these maintenance works are scheduled to be completed by May.

Our improvements will begin with general maintenance such as soil



Weston Town Council will be improving the play areas over the next few months

and turf resurfacing, general landscaping, slide relocation, and repairing broken play equipment. Following this, a comprehensive repainting of the play area is planned for the summer.

Later in the year, the council will conduct a review of the play area and gather feedback from residents on the desired equipment and improvements you want to see. If you have any feedback or thoughts please do get in touch.

"Residents have told us that the play areas in the area are in need of a facelift and improvement."

"We're working with the town council to help make this happen – so if you have feedback please get in touch."

Cllr Chard said

NHS dentistry crisis grips Weston

RESIDENTS in Weston are continuing to be impacted by the NHS dental crisis in Weston and as your councillors we continue to push for improvements.

With no NHS dentists accepting new patients and practices shifting towards private, options are limited.

Concerned residents have reached out to us and subsequently Weston Labour party has led a campaign collecting residents' stories, raising public concerns in the media and meeting with health bosses to call for urgent action.

Our freedom of information request reveals that 178 children from Weston have had their teeth extracted at hospital due to the crisis and this is at the highest level in five years.

Our lobbying has seen some changes as a dental recovery plan has launched – but we don't believe it will be enough.

We'll continue to battle for accessible NHS dentistry in Weston and if you've been impacted get in touch and share your story with us.

Increased police patrols



Street Safe – you can visit the website: www.avonandsomerset.police.uk/report/streetsafe/

As your councillors, ensuring community safety is our top priority. We've heard concerns that you feel unsafe in certain areas and we're actively working to address them. Through meetings with the police and the council we've raised these issues.

These meetings, alongside residents reporting areas you feel unsafe via the Street Safe app, have led to increased police patrols. Notably, patrols have been enhanced at the public walkway from B&Q to Charlock Close, Clover Court, Maltlands Park, and Summer Lane Ponds. Moving forward, these areas will remain a focus of patrols.

We'd strongly encourage residents continue to use the Street Safe app to highlight areas you feel unsafe as this helps to prioritise police resourcing. If a crime has occurred then still call 999/101 depending on urgency.

"If there's an area you feel unsafe then please visit the Street Safe website to report this: www.avonandsomerset.police.uk/report/streetsafe/"

Cllr Cronnelly said

Meet your Labour Parliamentary Candidate



"I know Weston and our people, this town is crying out for meaningful change and I will deliver it."

Daniel Aldridge said

Daniel Aldridge

My family has been here for twenty-four years, it's where our kids go to school, where my sister is a nurse, and where my partner works in early years, we know how difficult things have become under 14 years of Tory rule.

Their decisions have left our people making impossible choices – between heating their homes and feeding their families, left so many unable to pay their rent or mortgage. Pensioners aren't getting that dignity in retirement they deserve, and young people aren't getting much of a chance at all.

I will use my experience working with government and the biggest organisations in the world to bring investment, skills and jobs to Weston, growing our local economy and giving our kids high-skill, high-wage jobs.

I will be making the case for a more positive and engaged politics here in Weston, putting hope, aspiration and local people's voices at the heart of change and how we 'do' politics. We're working hard to earn your trust and votes, and I'll be doing that every day.

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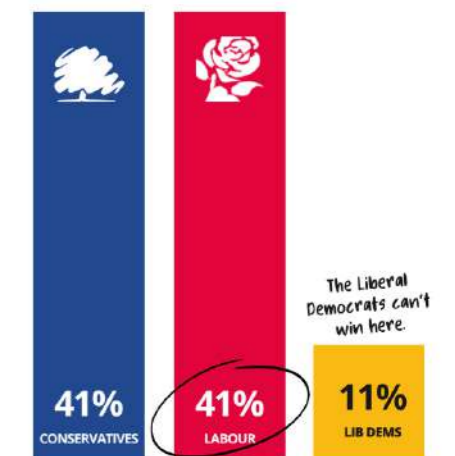
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It's a clear choice between the Conservatives or Labour in Weston super Mare.



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