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BROOMHILL, CROOKESMOOR, TAPTON &
ECCLESALL ROAD EDITION

CRUNCH TIME FOR LOCAL LIBRARIES



For more information, including volunteer help needed, visit:

Broomhill: broomhill-library.org.uk
Upperthorpe: zestcommunity.co.uk/library

Broomhill and **Upperthorpe** libraries are among branches now being run by volunteers. Broomhill is a co-delivered library, with the council retaining responsibility for the building and providing 15 hours per week of advice and support for at least 2 years. Upperthorpe is an independent “associate” branch run by **Zest**, with limited council financial support covering basic running costs for 3 years.

Cllr Brian Webster comments: “It’s a difficult time for branches as volunteers adapt to this massive change and all the issues it brings. Please think about volunteering help now – some branches won’t be here in 2 or 3 years time without consistent local community support. I’m working to support the Broomhill group on issues relating to the current ‘high maintenance’ library building.”

Tree removal concerns resurface



Green campaigner Anna Bloxam on
Marlborough Rd

Many residents have raised concerns with us about the removal of mature street trees by **Amey** at short notice in central Broomhill this summer. **Cllr Webster** comments: “While some trees were diseased or dying, or were damaging nearby properties, this isn’t true in all cases. Removing mature trees in these numbers will change the look and feel of Broomhill’s streets for decades to come. So local people should have their say before decisions on tree removal are made.”



Greens support People’s March for the NHS

Cllr Jillian Creasy
welcomes marchers at
the Town Hall

Greens joined campaigners recreating the 300 mile Jarrow march as they passed through Sheffield in August. **Green Cllr Jillian Creasy**, who spoke at the Town Hall, comments: “We congratulate the **Sheffield Save Our NHS** group for organising the welcome and hosting the marchers, who want the **NHS** to be publicly owned and delivered. Greens have always been against the marketisation and privatisation of this vital public service”.



Brian Webster at Papa Johns

Late night curfews under threat

Businesses continue to exploit loopholes to open late into the night on **Ecclesall Rd**. **Papa Johns** pizza can now open until 5am as its use as a food outlet predates planning restrictions.

Cllr Webster comments: “The 11:30pm curfew for licensed premises and takeaways on **Ecclesall Rd** balances the needs of businesses and residents, bringing quiet to the area by midnight. Community groups are fighting constant battles to maintain it as shops close and licensed premises open. They now seek council action to support both the curfew and the shopping centre and I will offer any support I can.”

Thank you Broomhill voters

Brian Webster was elected as Broomhill ward’s first Green councillor in May with a 698 vote majority. He says: “Thank you to everyone who supported me. I’m working with residents to tackle the issues that matter most to them and will put forward positive Green alternatives in the council chamber.”

There are now 4 Green councillors in Sheffield Central parliamentary constituency which includes Broomhill. Greens gained a 30% average vote share across the constituency and are now the clear challengers to Labour.



Cllr Webster at the Derek Dooley Centre

Floodlights planning application withdrawn

An application for floodlighting for outdoor pitches at the **Derek Dooley Sports & Community Centre** off **Crookes Road** was withdrawn in August after officers recommended refusal. **Cllr Webster** comments: “I joined local people in objecting to floodlighting in close proximity to houses and apartments above and below the site. Residents would clearly have suffered light pollution plus more noise and disturbance caused by sports activities extending into winter evenings. I’m pleased that council officers confirmed our view that floodlights are inappropriate in this location.”

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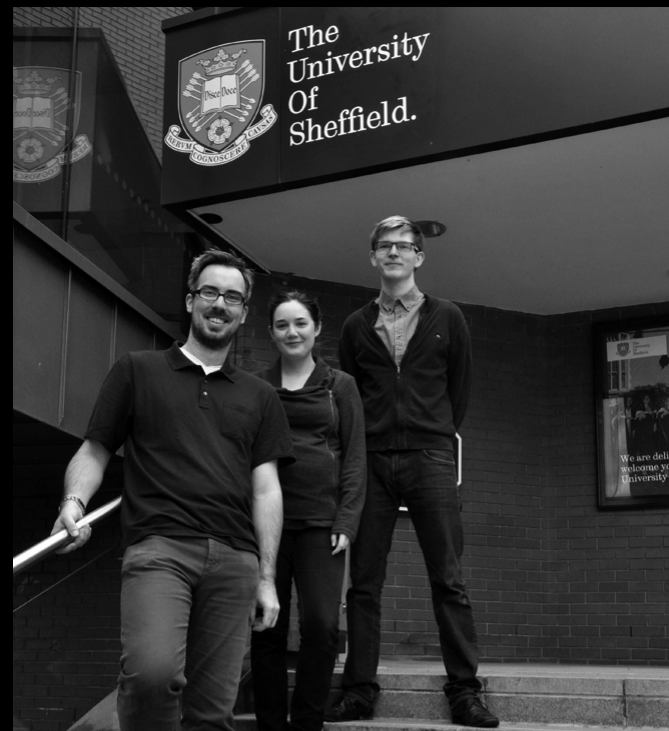
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Cllr Webster with Anna Bloxam and Aodan Marken

Young Greens set for new academic year

Sheffield Young Greens were out in force for both universities’ Activities Fairs, speaking to new and returning students and collecting signatures for the ‘Fair Pay Campus’ campaign. Young Green **Aodan Marken** comments: “Polls show that 18% of young people now support the Greens. With the general election next May, it’s an important time to get involved!”



Ashberry Road, where children play out, is a dangerous cut through between Upperthorpe and Crookesmoor Road

20mph zone enforcement action

Police officers have been talking to drivers in the **Crookesmoor** area who exceed the new 20mph limits. They are warning drivers but not issuing tickets at this point. **Cllr Webster** comments: “20mph zones make our roads safer for everyone, but some enforcement is needed. Local residents can lead by example by keeping to the 20mph limit.”

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