



InTouch

News from Chertsey Riverside and St Ann's wards

From Cllr Mark Nuti, Jaz Mavi and your local Conservative team

'Make Chertsey a no-go area for criminals'

Chertsey councillor Mark Nuti and local candidate Jaz Mavi have ambitious plans to make our town safer and a more pleasant place to live.

They are setting up a Chertsey-wide Neighbourhood Watch initiative where residents will be able to pass on warnings about crime, litter, and antisocial behaviour.

Mark, who represents St Ann's ward at Runnymede Borough Council, explains: "It's about owning our town again."

"Our idea is to get everyone in Chertsey reporting incidents on a website or social media, so that the community knows what's going on and the criminals get the message that they will get no luck here."

Mark got the idea after a spate of vandalism against cars in Alwyns Lane. And he has enlisted the support of Jaz Mavi, a family solicitor and local resident.

Mark, who is also chairman of Chertsey Cricket Club, is standing for re-election to Runnymede Council this May.

Jaz is your Conservative candidate for Chertsey Riverside ward, hoping to take over from Cllr Derek Cotty, who is retiring.

She says: "I am enjoying meeting residents on doorsteps and hearing their ideas on how we can improve Chertsey. I live just off Bridge Road with my husband Kenny. I love that Chertsey is a beautiful historic market town and it is upsetting to see all the empty shops we have. If elected alongside Mark, this is also something we want to address."



Jaz Mavi and Cllr Mark Nuti want to a safer and better Chertsey



Jaz Mavi (pictured in Weymead Close) and Cllr Mark Nuti want to hear from residents about roads and pavements in Chertsey that need repairing. Conservatives at Surrey County Council are investing £188m to improve highways and Mark has secured a £100k annual fund for Chertsey roads.

Dr Ben Spencer MP update

Having worked in mental health hospitals before becoming your MP, I know what an impact the right services can have on patient care and improving outcomes.

So, I was delighted to attend the ground-breaking ceremony for a new mental health hospital at St Peter's, which will open in Spring 2024 providing 64 beds. This is a welcome investment in our local NHS.

On flooding, the Government and Surrey County Council are spending £500 million on the River Thames Scheme to protect

homes, businesses, and communities. A project of this size is understandably complex and will take time to deliver, but I am keeping the pressure on to ensure the timescale is not delayed further.

Elsewhere, I'm also pressing South Western Railways to improve performance on the Chertsey-Addlestone loop, which shockingly is their worst performing line.

I met the Rail Minister and raised this along with the interchange at Weybridge for the fast train to London and accessibility issues.



Dr Ben Spencer MP at the new mental health unit which is opening at St Peter's Hospital

Great services, low tax and local investment

Runnymede Conservatives are continuing to deliver excellent services for residents while maintaining the lowest council tax in Surrey.

Cllr Tom Gracey, Leader of Runnymede Council, says: "We are grateful to residents for putting their trust in us.

"We have shown we can provide stable, continuous services, and invest sensibly to generate income for the Council, allowing

us to keep your bills low. At the same time the Council is helping with the cost of living by distributing £2.6 million of government grants to 17,642 households.

"We have transformed town centres in Addlestone and Egham and have ambitious plans to regenerate Chertsey in the near future.

"In tough times we will continue to deliver for local families."



Runnymede Borough Council Leader Cllr Tom Gracey

Conservatives oppose Mayor's ULEZ tax grab

Labour Mayor of London, Sadiq Khan, is to charge Surrey residents who drive older or polluting cars £12.50 per day to drive into London boroughs from August.

His Ultra Low Emission Zone (ULEZ) is being massively expanded to Outer London boroughs which border Surrey.

Dr Ben Spencer, our MP, said: "Rather than tackling air pollution the ULEZ expansion is a shameless London tax that will clobber businesses and commuters who face a huge tax simply to get to work.

"I'm delighted that Surrey County Council is leading a legal challenge, and I am working with them to protect local residents and businesses to fight this harmful scheme."



Sadiq Khan is rolling out ULEZ

NEWS IN BRIEF



Jewel in our crown

Jaz Mavi says The Meadows are the "jewel in Chertsey's crown," and she wants to see the area enhanced and protected after pipeline work ends this year.

Jaz said: "If elected to Council I will ensure the Meadows are properly used, cracking down on dog waste, and barbecues which present a fire risk."

Election changes

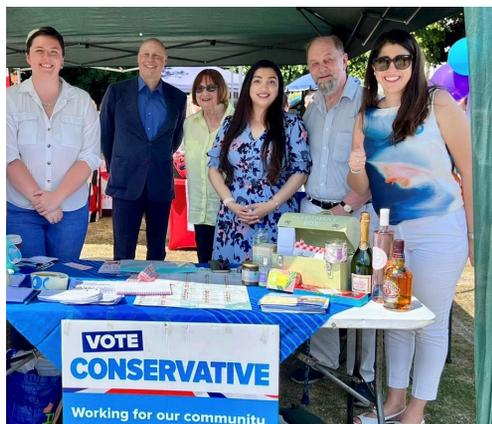
From May, voters will need to show a photo ID at polling stations. If you do not have ID you can apply for a free Voter Authority Certificate by 25 April. For details see www.runnymede.gov.uk/elections-voting/voter-id



Your Conservative team and Councillors

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Cllr Mark Nuti
Candidate Jaz Mavi
MP Dr Ben Spencer



Don't let Labour wreck Runnymede

Runnymede Conservatives have a proven track record of delivering low tax and quality local services – with your support we will do even more.

Labour plan to exploit fears around the global cost of living crisis to seize control of Runnymede Council in May. They would impose a chaotic coalition of Greens, Lib-Dem and independents that would take our borough backwards.

Don't let that happen. Vote for your Conservative candidate on 4 May and keep Runnymede in safe hands.