



# InTouch

## DESBOROUGH WARD - LATEST UPDATE

### NEWS FROM YOUR LOCAL CONSERVATIVES

## CAMPAIGN SUCCESS: £2 MILLION INVESTMENT SECURED FOR DESBOROUGH



▲ **Photo:** One of the places that will benefit from new S106 funding.  
(Image source: Hussle)

We are delighted to report that after much hard work on your behalf, we have been working proactively with local developers and officers at North Northamptonshire Council to secure approximately £2 million of S106 funding for the benefit of Desborough released through new developments in the town. In addition, separate to this there is a further £1.5 million of S106 allocated for improvements to Desborough Leisure Centre.

Following feedback from residents that the proposed footbridge over the railway was not a preferred project, we have worked to identify other schemes elsewhere that people want to see delivered in the town.

#### POSSIBLE OPTIONS FOR THE APPROX. £2 MILLION INCLUDE:

1. A potential Pedestrian Crossing on the Harborough Road between the new Sainsbury's and the Harborough Road bridge to allow people from Weavers Mead to get across the road.
2. Widening of the path on Harborough Road bridge with barriers to allow people to walk safely up and down Harborough Road.
3. Traffic improvement works at the Gold Street/High Street junction.
4. Delivering car parking at Buckwell Close.
5. A revamp of Havelock Square.

## MASSIVE FRESH INVESTMENT IN KETTERING GENERAL HOSPITAL

HM Government has reconfirmed to Kettering MP Philip Hollobone that KGH's place in the national New Hospitals Programme is secured with a £400m+ fully-funded, redeveloped, improved and expanded hospital due on the existing site by 2030.

With main construction due to start on schedule in 2028, initial early enabling works are **already under way** and the construction of a £34m net-zero new energy plant for the expanded hospital is due to start in spring 2024. The larger hospital will include a new urgent care hub to replace and enhance the existing A&E.

Kettering MP Philip Hollobone has been tirelessly pursuing this extra funding and is working closely with KGH itself to ensure the development proceeds as quickly as possible.



◀ **Photo:** Philip Hollobone MP raising Kettering General Hospital in Parliament

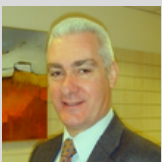
(Image source: BBC)

## VILLAGES UPDATE

We continue to work hard to serve our wonderful villages in Desborough Ward. This includes regularly attending Parish Council meetings and representing people's views and concerns from the rural parts of the ward.

We remain committed to representing people's comments and concerns about local Planning matters and continue to work to ensure that rural roads receive attention from local Highways when required. **Always working hard to ensure your views are represented!**

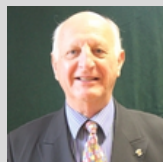
## Your local Listening Team



**Cllr Mark Dearing**



**Cllr David Howes**



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# A record of action in Desborough Ward...



Working hard to keep the ward clean and tidy for all.



Ward surgery meeting and supporting Wilbarston's Neighbourhood Plan meeting.



A solution has been found for the Lawrence's Factory site and a new development is on the way.



Cllr David Howes and Cllr Bill McElhinney continue to work proactively with local groups such as Desborough Developments Working Party, with regard to new developments.



Tackling flytipping across the ward.



**Not just here at election time!**  
Local Conservatives have been canvassing across the area recently, visiting residents and listening to their concerns.



Improving management of the Council's trees across the ward.



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Map source: Ordnance Survey

# ...and much more besides!