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7TH OCTOBER
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STAFFORD CONSERVATIVES NEWSLETTER

Theo Clarke MP holds debate in Parliament for Back British Farming Day



Picture: Theo Clarke MP with Farming Minister, Victoria Prentis MP

Theo Clarke MP for Stafford recently hosted a Westminster Hall Debate in Parliament on 'Back British Farming Day and the future of domestic agriculture'. In her speech, Ms Clarke raised directly with the Farming Minister, Victoria Prentis MP, the importance of seasonal agricultural workers, the impact of HS2 on local constituents and the role of farmers in protecting the environment and tackling flooding. During her speech Ms Clarke also highlighted her campaign for every supermarket to have "an aisle for the British Isles" which would make it more convenient for consumers to purchase fresh locally produced food. Ms Clarke will always stand up for farmers across Staffordshire and will continue to back British Farming.

Your Association Needs You



Our volunteers are at the heart of our local Association, and they help us thrive. If you can help us, whether by campaigning with us, delivering leaflets, canvassing, displaying a poster, stuffing envelopes, joining us at our social events or even helping to maintain our Castle Street premises, we'd love to hear from you, so please get in touch.

Conservative Policy Forum

September saw our first CPF meeting since lockdown, and it was good to see a number of new faces along with some long-standing participants for a lively and interesting discussion.

To join our group, visit www.conservativepolicyforum.com and register as a member. This will also enable you to participate in the CPF's snap polls and will give you access to the CPF's member hub, where you can post your thoughts on the New Ideas Forum, vote in their Policy Pitch Competitions, join National Discussion Groups and attend webinars with ministers and policy experts.

Our next CPF discussion will take place on **12th October at 7:30PM** at Castle Street.

The theme is 'Our relationship with the state'.

We're now on Twitter too!

We're still busy refreshing our website and Facebook page. And we've set up a Twitter page too.

So, if you haven't already, please take a look at our website and let us know what you think. Don't forget to like our Facebook page and follow us on Twitter!

Website: <https://www.staffordconservatives.org.uk>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/Conservatives.in.Stafford>

Twitter: <https://twitter.com/staffordconserv>

A letter from the chairman



Dear Member

It's true to say that the last 18 months has been challenging for everyone. The global pandemic has impacted on us all, individually, and collectively.

Your Association has also felt the effects.

Our revenue has declined considerably as we've been unable to raise funds to support the work of the Association and the small income from car parking revenue all but petered out. We're in the position that we've had very little revenue coming in since early last year, and we still have ever-increasing running costs. So, our finances are under pressure.

As we emerge from the more restrictive times we've all endured, we need to bolster the Association's finances, so we can continue doing what we do so well.

We've made some efficiency savings at Castle Street, which will help, and we're excited that we're looking to a brighter future, where we'll all be able to return to a more normal life – even if we still have to take sensible safety precautions.

We're also very lucky to have wonderful members, so I'd like to thank you for your continued support.

To help us raise the money we need, your Fundraising & Events Committee has been hard at work putting together ideas for the months ahead and we have a number of great social events planned.

Our first **Supper Club** in early September was a great success and we're looking forward to our next one on **7th October**. There's also a very special **President's Luncheon** at the Moat House on **28th November** and we're going to be hosting a **Christmas Lunch** at Castle Street on **12th December**.

There'll be lots more to come next year too, including a **Curry Club** evening at Simply Bilash.

So, please, support your Association, join us at our events and help us raise much-needed funds to ensure the continued success of the Association. Details of our events can be found on our website and in your regular newsletter.

With best wishes

Duncan

Duncan Sandbrook

Supper Club

Our next Supper Club will be on Thursday 7th October at The Red Lion at Bradley when our special guest speaker, will be **Jeremy Lefroy**.

Places are limited, so please reserve your table by contacting the office on:

01758 252 273

or by email to

admin@staffordconservatives.org.uk

2 courses for £22.50 per person

We are now able to accept contactless payments (preferred), so pay on the day, pay in advance on our website or when you book by phone.

www.staffordconservatives.org.uk/events/supper-club

The last Supper Club before our winter break, will be Thursday 4th November, so why not make a booking today?



BOOK NOW

Association President, Jeremy Lefroy, is hosting a **President's Luncheon** at the Moat House, Acton Trussell on **28th November 2021**. We're delighted to say, John Glen, Conservative MP for Salisbury, Economic Secretary to the Treasury and City Minister will be joining us. So, book now as places are limited.

To book, visit our website, call, or email the office to reserve your place.

Tickets cost £30 per person and the menu includes canapés, a main course and a pudding. Please be sure to let us know of any dietary requirements at the time of booking.

Young Conservatives

I'd like to thank every member of the Association that contributed to the YC new members evening last month, making the evening such a success. We were especially privileged to host Theo Clarke, MP as our guest speaker and it was good to hear about her work in Parliament on behalf of the people of Stafford.

As we continue to have monthly meetings and events, there'll be more opportunities for new members to get involved.

If you, or anyone you know, would like to join the Young Conservatives Branch, please get in touch. You can reach us on email: yc@staffordconservatives.org.uk or by phone on **07912693865**.

Will Taylor

Chairman, Young Conservatives Branch



Christmas is coming...

...and we'll be cooking up a storm! We'll be hosting a Christmas Lunch at Castle Street on 12th December, so save the date in your diaries. Bookings are opening soon and there'll be more details in the next newsletter so book soon as places are limited.

Upcoming events

For details of all our upcoming events get in touch with the Association Office or visit our website, contact details below.

October 2021

7 October - Supper Club 7PM at the Red Lion, Bradley, **guest speak Jeremy Lefroy**

12 October – CPF Group discussion, 7:30PM at Castle Street (Main Hall)

12 October – Young Conservatives Branch James Bond & Martini Evening, 7PM Castle Street (Committee Room) and then on to Stafford Odeon Lux.

November 2021

4 November - Supper Club 7PM at the Red Lion, Bradley, **guest speaker Ben Adams**

4 November – Young Conservatives Branch – Dinner 7PM Venue to be confirmed

CHANGE 19 November – Executive Council Meeting, 7:00PM Castle Street

28 November – President’s Luncheon, 12:00PM at the Moat House, guest speaker John Glen MP

December 2021

12 December – Stafford Conservatives Christmas Lunch, 12:30PM Castle Street

12 December – Young Conservatives Branch, Black Tie Dinner, 7PM at the Moat House

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