

Langwith

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- Developing the parish
- Boosting the local economy
- Delivering council housing
- Investing in leisure



**Vote Labour** in the District and Parish  
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 **Labour**  
In Bolsover District

Since the boundary changes in 2019, we have been your local district councillors and we are both committed to ensuring the residents, businesses and visitors to our parish receive the best possible services and its fair share of funding.

During these four years, the Parish of Langwith has never seen so much investment and regeneration on projects such as:



- ✓ The first council properties built in a generation in Whaley Thorns
- ✓ Local businesses have received help and support through our dedicated free advertising opportunities
- ✓ Improved leisure facilities on Portland Road and Devonshire Drive Recreation Grounds
- ✓ Embraced sustainable energy sources through the installation of electric vehicle charging points and air source heat pumps as standard at the Woodlands development
- ✓ The provision of free or hugely subsidised events for young people and the elderly to enjoy
- ✓ Petitioning the Tory controlled county council to resurface sections of the road on Pit Hill
- ✓ Worked with our partners to create a Community Rail Partnership that will help increase usage of the Robin Hood Line and attract visitors to our area
- ✓ After years of discussions the new £1.1million Health Centre was opened in Whaley Thorns

These are just a taste of what we have achieved to date and this is just the start as our aim is for this investment to continue. We have big ambitions for the parish and with your help we can make these ambitions become reality.



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# Our ambitions for Langwith Parish

**When we are out and about talking to people we get a sense of what is important to you. We feel that over the past four-years we have proven that when we say something, we do it.**

We don't use slogans or spin-doctors, just good old fashioned plain English and a commitment to making things happen. So if you re-elect us, below are the main ambitions that we want to implement for our parish. However, this is not the limit to our ambitions, but just a flavour of some of things you can expect to see happen.

## 1. Affordable housing

We know there is a shortage of good quality council properties in the Parish. On the back of the successful Woodlands scheme, we aim to build more council properties in areas of need through our Council-owned company Dragonfly Development Ltd. These properties will be modern, energy efficient and meet a need in the parish. We will also engage with local house builders to purchase properties to help local young people and families get on the housing ladder.



## 2. Economy

Our local businesses are a key factor in our ambitions to drive up the health and wealth of the area. The majority of these businesses

are independent traders and

do not have large marketing budgets. We aim to help and support all businesses in the parish by delivering a campaign to encourage people to Shop Local - Spend Local by promoting the current high street offer and providing free marketing opportunities through platforms like digital signage, Bolsover TV and residents publications.



## 3. Jobs and connectivity

Expanding the Robin Hood Line from Shirebrook to Ollerton to increase the social and economic opportunities

available to local residents. We are continuing to work with East Midlands Railway and other partners to develop the line, providing you with more leisure, job and skills opportunities. We also want to create a Skills Hub in nearby Shirebrook that can serve the Parish and act as a hub to help train or offer new skills to people in areas such as technology, electronics and communications.

#### 4. Leisure and social activities

We all know how important leisure and open spaces are for our wellbeing so we will look to develop the leisure and recreational activities available to local residents. We are building a new playground on the Langwith Junction Recreation Ground and aim to construct a new skate park on the Portland Road Recreation Ground. We will also provide more social and cultural opportunities and events for people to attend that will enhance people's quality of life.



#### 5. Environment

Climate change is always a hot topic and although we can't solve it on our own, we can do our bit to help. So we will continue to help tackle this problem through modern methods of construction in our house and commercial property building programme that will reduce the reliance on gas and encourage sustainability. We will also continue with our tree planting schemes and continually improve our burgundy bin recycling service by offering residents more opportunities to recycle their waste.



#### 6. People and communities

The past three years have not been easy for anyone. The Pandemic, the cost of living crisis and rising household bills are continuing to hit everyone hard. We will continue to provide Warm Spaces for people to attend, offer advice and information on what benefits or help people are entitled to and continue our commitment to promote local voluntary and community groups, helping them attract new members and increase their fundraising efforts through schemes like Bolsover District Community Lottery.



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