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Your Monthly Update from Central Staffordshire Conservatives

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Welcome to Issue #32 of your newsletter from Central Staffordshire Conservatives.

Polling day in the Manor by-election is just over two weeks away, and every door knocked and leaflet delivered between now and 16 July will count - turn to page 3 to find out how you can help.

This month also sees applications open for Conservative candidates ahead of the new Unitary Authority elections, and the launch of our short survey to find out how you'd like to get involved. Both take just a few minutes - see page 4 for details.

Duncan Sandbrook
Chairman

MP News

The Rt Hon Sir Gavin Williamson CBE MP

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25 June 2026

Gavin supports pancreatic cancer campaign

Sir Gavin Williamson joined Pancreatic Cancer UK's campaign to call for improved clinical trial access.
Read the full story at gavinwilliamson.org →

5 June 2026

Gavin calls for lowering of VAT to hospitality businesses

Sir Gavin Williamson is calling for the Government to provide hospitality businesses with VAT relief, after many establishments face the threat of closure due to rising energy costs, national insurance contributions, and minimum wage increases.
Read the full story at gavinwilliamson.org →

28 May 2026

Gavin joins community group to call for park refurbishment

Sir Gavin Williamson has joined Friends of ABC Park to call for improvements to the park located on Whitemill Lane in Walton.
Read the full story at gavinwilliamson.org →

Have your say - Sir Gavin's active surveys

Sir Gavin regularly runs surveys to gather the views of local residents on issues that matter to our community. Your responses help shape his work in Parliament and in the constituency. Please take a few minutes to share your views.

Stone Free Parking Petition

Add your name to Sir Gavin's petition

gavinwilliamson.org/gavins-stone-free-parking-petition →

Stay connected with Sir Gavin

Sir Gavin publishes a regular newsletter with updates from Westminster and across the constituency - covering local campaigns, community news, and his work in Parliament. His latest edition covers the withdrawal of the Hixon incinerator appeal, the new Featherstone Post Office, and his campaign against potholes across Staffordshire.

Subscribe free at gavinwilliamson.substack.com →

Central Staffordshire Conservative Federation covers four local government areas - 11 Staffordshire County Council divisions, 20 Stafford Borough Council wards, 10 South Staffordshire District Council wards, and 2 Newcastle-under-Lyme Borough Council wards.

We work to elect and support Conservative councillors across our council areas and throughout Staffordshire.

MANOR BY-ELECTION
16 JULY 2026

Freddie Crisp

The Stafford Borough Council by-election for Manor is now in full swing, and we have a real chance at taking the seat. Our candidate for the election is Freddie Crisp. This is what he has to say:

“Over the past few weeks, I’ve been out across the ward speaking to residents on the doorstep, listening to their concerns and sharing our vision for Manor. The response has been encouraging, however there is still plenty of work to do before polling day.

We know that elections are won by hard work on the ground. Every conversation had and every leaflet delivered makes a real difference. If you could spare some time to help, whether that’s knocking on doors, delivering leaflets, or supporting in any other way, I would greatly appreciate your support!

Thank you to everyone who has already given their time to knock doors, deliver leaflets and deliver postal vote letters.

Together we can turn Manor blue for the first time since 1997.”

If you are able to help, please contact campaigns@centralstaffsconservatives.org.uk

CAN YOU HELP?

We are always looking for volunteers to support our campaigns. Whether delivering leaflets, helping at events, or assisting behind the scenes, your support makes a real difference.

If you can spare a few hours to help our campaign, please contact Jonathan Price, Deputy Chairman Political: campaigns@centralstaffsconservatives.org.uk

Updates from across the Federation, including events, membership, fundraising and organisational news.

COULD YOU CHAMPION YOUR COMMUNITY?

Applications are now open for those interested in standing as Conservative candidates in the forthcoming Unitary Authority elections.

The Government is expected to announce its plans this month for replacing Staffordshire's current County, Borough and District Councils with a new Unitary Authority structure. While the precise form this will take is not yet confirmed, we want to be ready - and that means identifying strong Conservative candidates now, so they have time to establish themselves in their communities ahead of any timetable being set.

If you care about your local area, want to champion the issues that matter to residents, and are willing to put yourself forward, we'd love to hear from you.

You don't need previous political experience - just commitment, Conservative values, and a willingness to learn. Full support and guidance will be provided throughout.

Find out more and apply online:

staffordshireconservatives.org.uk/could-you-champion-your-community

or contact Jonathan Price, Deputy Chairman Political: political@centralstaffsconservatives.org.uk

TELL US HOW YOU'D LIKE TO HELP

We're strongest when our members play an active part - and we want to know how you'd like to get involved.

Not everyone wants to knock on doors, and that's absolutely fine. There are plenty of ways to take part across **Stafford** and **Stone, Great Wyrley & Penkridge** - from campaigning and Connect Calling, to helping with events and fundraising, assisting with digital content, or simply joining us socially. Whatever suits you, we want to match you to it.

That starts with two minutes of your time. Our short survey is now live, and it's the best way to tell us what you're interested in and how much time you can offer.

Take the survey now: tinyurl.com/CSCF-SURVEY

The more members who respond, the better we can put people, time and talent in the right place. Please don't leave it to someone else - take the survey today.

PLEASE SUPPORT OUR WORK LOCALLY

Every campaign we run locally depends on the support of members like you.

Every member already supports the Conservative Party through their subscription, and we are genuinely grateful for that.

However, membership income alone cannot fund the full cost of our work across Stafford and Stone, Great Wyrley & Penkridge - from leaflets and digital campaigning to volunteer support and the day-to-day running of our headquarters.

If we are to campaign effectively, win elections, and maintain a strong local organisation, we rely on the additional support of members and friends.

HOW YOU CAN SUPPORT US

There are several ways to give, and you choose where your support goes:

General Campaign Fund - for example, contributing towards leaflets, voter contact, and digital communications across Central Staffordshire.

Constituency Funds - prefer to support a specific area? You can direct your donation to Stafford, Stone Great Wyrley & Penkridge, or both. Just let the Chairman know.

Federation & Headquarters - helping keep our office running and our headquarters maintained as the operational base for everything we do.

FLEXIBLE WAYS TO GIVE

Whatever suits you - a one-off donation, a regular monthly contribution, or a larger annual gift. Even modest monthly support makes a real difference to our ability to plan ahead between elections.

All support is entirely voluntary, and genuinely appreciated.

SUPPORT OUR WORK TODAY

www.centralstaffsconservatives.org.uk/donations

Secure online donations in just a few minutes.

COULD YOU REPRESENT YOUR COMMUNITY?

We're looking for the next generation of Conservative candidates to stand in the new Unitary Authority elections.

You don't need to be a career politician.

If you care about your local area, want to stand up for residents, and are willing to learn, there could be a place for you.

We are looking for Conservative candidates across **Stafford** and **Stone, Great Wyrley & Penkridge** as local government moves to a new Unitary Authority structure.

You'll be supported by an experienced and friendly team - and training and guidance will be provided.

Not sure if you're ready? That's completely fine - many excellent councillors started with exactly the same question.

Find out more - no commitment required

Email: **political@centralstaffsconservatives.org.uk**

Or speak to Jonathan Price, Deputy Chairman Political

CONSERVATIVE POLICY FORUM

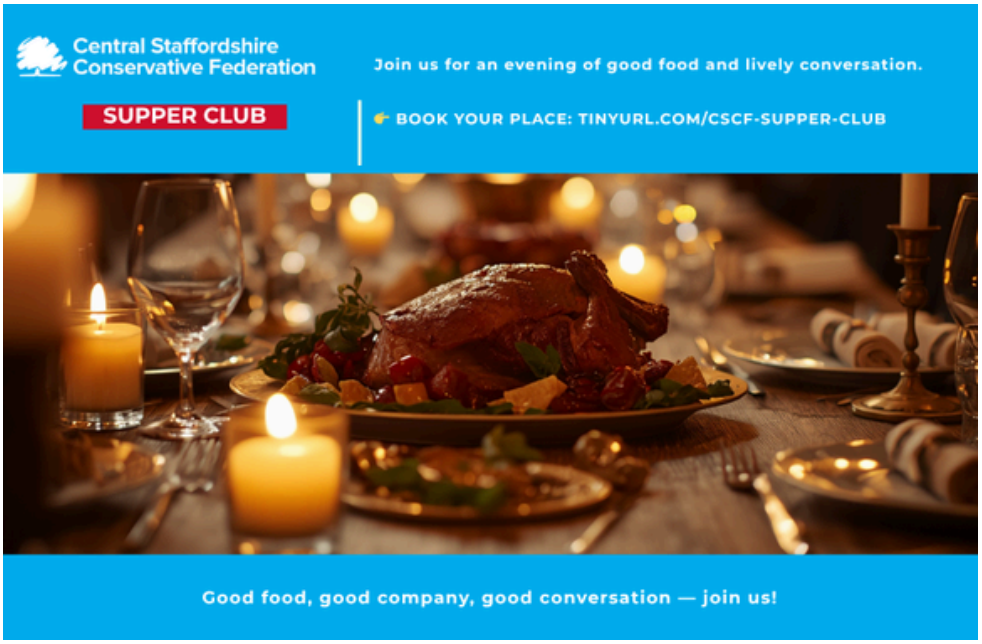
At a time when more voices than ever are competing for attention, it's vital that our Party stands out with clear and compelling Conservative ideas. We know we have the best vision for our country - but what does this mean in practice, and how do we deliver it?

The Conservative Policy Forum gives members the chance to help shape national policy through a programme of consultations and discussion groups. Associations across the country contribute to CPF work, and our submissions feed directly into the Party's policy thinking at national level.

Our local CPF group meets at Castle Street for informal discussion over refreshments - exploring the current consultation topic using CPF briefing material. It's a relaxed, friendly evening and all members are very welcome.

If you'd like to find out more or join our CPF group, please get in touch:

contact@centralstaffsconservatives.org.uk or Tel: 01785 252 273



SUPPER CLUB - WEDNESDAY 15 JULY

Join us at The Moat House, Acton Trussell for a relaxed evening of good food, great company and lively conversation.

📍 The Moat House, Acton Trussell
💷 £23 per person

BOOK TODAY: tinyurl.com/CSCF-Supper-Club

📱 Stay connected

Join our CSCF Events WhatsApp group for updates on future events, speakers and menus:

shorturl.at/QvQYF

MEET THE TEAM

Jack Taylor-Walker
Deputy Chairman Membership & Finance

"My role encompasses anything from engaging with members and growing our membership to organising and hosting fundraising events to support our campaign activities.

I enjoy this role, it's enabled me to speak to members right across the Federation area and to provide opportunities for more members to get together and build our solid Blue Base!"

Got a question for Jack about membership or finance?
Get in touch: membership@centralstaffsconservatives.org.uk

BUILDING OUR CAMPAIGN SKILLS TOGETHER

We're continuing to expand our programme of training and support for members and activists across the Federation.

Whether you're experienced or just getting started, we want to make sure we're offering sessions that are practical, relevant and genuinely useful.

What would you find helpful?
We're keen to hear your ideas for future training, which could include:

- campaigning and canvassing skills
- Connect Calling and voter engagement
- data and campaign organisation
- digital campaigning and communications
- public speaking or media skills

If there's something you'd like to learn - or improve - we'd love to hear from you.

Share your ideas: contact@centralstaffsconservatives.org.uk

MANOR NEEDS YOU

Polling day is 16 July - just over two weeks away.

Freddie Crisp and the team are out across Manor every week, but every extra pair of hands makes a real difference between now and election day - whether that's an hour delivering leaflets, helping with postal votes, or knocking on a few doors.

If you can spare any time at all, get in touch with Jonathan Price, Deputy Chairman Political: campaigns@centralstaffsconservatives.org.uk

Every conversation counts. Every leaflet counts. Let's turn Manor blue.

THE 100 CLUB - JUNE BUMPER DRAW RESULTS

June is one of our two bumper draw months - and this year's results show exactly why it's worth being part of the 100 Club.

While most months pay out 35% of the pot in prizes, June and December pay out 90%.
Bigger prizes, better odds, and an excellent reason to join before the next one.

How it works

- £5 per month = one number in our monthly draw
- Hold up to 4 numbers to boost your chances
- Standard months: 1st Prize 20%, 2nd Prize 10%, 3rd Prize 5%
- **June & December bumper draws: 90% of the pot paid out**

The more members who join, the bigger the prizes get for everyone - and every pound also goes straight towards our campaigning across Central Staffordshire, from leaflets and canvassing to supporting our candidates and local organisation.

Didn't win this time? December's bumper draw is next - join today and you could be in it.

JOIN TODAY - IT TAKES TWO MINUTES

tinyurl.com/CSCF-100-CLUB

Or find out more: centralstaffsconservatives.org.uk/100-club

JOIN TODAY

It takes just a couple of minutes to sign up online and start your monthly subscription.

JOIN OUR 100 CLUB

🏆 THIS MONTH'S BUMPER PRIZE WINNERS

🥇 1st Prize:
PAUL STARTIN
🥈 2nd Prize:
PAUL STUBBS
🥉 3rd Prize:
JEREMY LEFROY

Get in Touch

If you'd like to get involved, attend events, support our campaigning work, or simply find out more, we'd be very pleased to hear from you.

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Office Information

The Federation is run by volunteers and the office is not permanently staffed.

Our telephone line is diverted and will be answered when someone is available.

If we're unable to take your call, please leave a message and we will respond as soon as possible.

Email is often the quickest way to reach us.

Stay Connected

Follow our updates, events and campaigns online:

Website: **www.centralstaffsconservatives.org.uk**

LARGE PRINT

If you would find a large-print version of this newsletter helpful, please let us know:
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