

## To do list :

- Regeneration of our Market Places
- Encourage plans for Ilkeston Train Station
- To see free town parking
- Revise plans for Stanton Redevelopment
- Tackle local unemployment
- Bring back The Long Eaton Advertiser
- See local schools rebuilt
- Keep skills and trades local
- Address local Housing issues
- Sort out Long Eaton & Ilkeston traffic problems

**Luke Wilkins** has lived in Long Eaton all his life and also been educated in local schools. Local issues are paramount to him.

He has previously been involved on the **Derbyshire Youth Council**, after being elected by his peers to represent the Erewash region. For such a young age, his experience of local and national politics and community projects have been wide and varied, including working on the **Derbyshire Connexions Management Board**, **The UK Youth Parliament** and **Every Child Matters (MyPlace)**

His passion and approach have secured and supported schemes that have made a real difference in our towns around Erewash such as **local youth drop-in's**, **Petersham's Multi-use Games Area**. His heart for Erewash is to put the heart back into our communities!

### How to contact Luke Wilkins

I would like to hear your views and concerns about our community or if you want to assist my campaign

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## Local Business

**I want to see our local towns improve**, to encourage more traders to come back to our towns and fill the empty shops, to support free parking in our towns and find permanent places for Long Eaton and Ilkeston markets, encouraging local traders to take a stand against the supermarkets.



## Our Community

**Security and antisocial behaviour are key issues in Erewash.** I want to see more local initiatives involving local groups and churches helping out the community, assisting projects like 'Pride in Erewash'. I want to see more community events like the Chestnut Fair and Carnival. I want to see real punishment for vandals who destroy our communities.



## Local Housing & Jobs

**Local Housing is a problem.** As people struggle to get on the housing ladder or to move, I want to see local housing for local people. Erewash has such a high unemployment rate, this is concerning and I want to run a campaign to see local jobs for local people.



## Supporting plans for Ilkeston Train Station

**Erewash is in need of some major transport connections** and I believe plans for Ilkeston Train Station is a step forward. I want to secure funding and support to see Ilkeston transport improved.

## Stanton Redevelopment

**I believe the plans for Stanton Redevelopment** put forward are abysmal, and think that planners have been greedy. The derelict site, as it stands, is a mess, and does need regeneration. Erewash still has a small amount of beautiful countryside, but the current plans have consequences on our rural areas. I want to see plans which are suitable for the area that can meet local demand for housing and retain the locally rich heritage.

## Young People & Facilities

**Young People need somewhere to go and to have goals in life.** I want to improve services for young people and make sure there are good facilities to keep young people occupied. I aim to establish positive connections with young people in our communities and discover what they feel would benefit them.



## Environment

**Protect our world for the future.** We need legislation to start changing the way we do things, the environment is changing and we can't get it back. We need to monitor recycling and set realistic targets. Global warming will be a big issue for future generations, so why not sort it now!

## Immigration

**I do not believe concerns over immigration are racially motivated.** People are concerned about the pace of change, jobs, overcrowding and the pressure on services such as health, police, education and housing. We are paying millions of people to be unemployed while immigrants are coming here because they see job opportunities. I want to see our country consider people who can bring skills and trades into the country.



## Education

**If a child gets a bad start to life** we throw lots of money for short term solutions trying to catch up right through their school years and beyond. We need to invest money into schools and improve facilities and equipment so young people can be proud of their education. We need to support rebuilding and investment in local secondary schools.