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PARLIAMENTARY REVIEW *for Scarborough & Whitby*

Reporting back... *listening to you*

At the end of another historic Parliamentary year I'm pleased to present my Annual Report, which will be delivered to every constituent in Scarborough and Whitby.

Over the past year I have been privileged to work with local people and community groups and on their behalf have made representations on a wide range of issues at national, regional and local level.

In addition I believe my work in Parliament has resulted in genuine emerging partnerships which offer local people real improvements in their local health and education services, a more focused approach to delivering safer communities and improved prospects for good local jobs.

During the past year in Westminster I have served on the 2004 Finance Bill, which is designed to deliver the economic stability we need for investment in the Nation's services and infrastructure. I have also worked on measures to deliver a Civil Contingencies Bill which responds to the challenges of the increased global threat of terrorism since the attack on New York's Twin Towers on 9/11.

Transport and planning issues in the constituency have been a particular priority over the past 12 months. By working with, and debating the concerns of local residents with national and local government, it has allowed me to place on the record what constituents have to say about a variety of projects and issues. Whether you have contacted me about the A64 corridor, the Marine Drive sea defence works, local road safety measures, the proposals for developments at the Whitby Marina or the North Bay in Scarborough, your contributions have been passed to the promoters and all levels of government.



▲ Steve Cram presenting Lawrie with his second red sock for completing the Westminster Mile.
If you would like to make a donation to Sport Relief call 08457 910 910.

Since 1997 there have been many more opportunities for local people to express their views on the type of community we want to live in. I welcome the many local public forums supported by Yorkshire Forward, our National Park, Police, and all local government across the constituency. Improvements can be achieved by listening to local people, engaging in positive debate and establishing real partnerships.

I have said in previous Parliamentary Reviews my job as your representative at Westminster and in the constituency is dependent on local people standing up for their community and sharing their views. It is only with your representations that I can lobby effectively for the interests of the Yorkshire Coast.

PLEASE USE THE CONTACT DETAILS ON THIS PAGE TO GET IN TOUCH WITH MY LOCAL PARLIAMENTARY OFFICE IN WHITBY AND SCARBOROUGH.....SEE INSIDE FOR MORE INFORMATION ON WHAT I HAVE BEEN DOING FOR OUR COMMUNITY IN THE PAST YEAR.

TACKLING ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR

Since I became an MP in 1997 I have heard some very disturbing accounts of problems with anti-social behaviour in our community, these include, threatening behaviour, vandalism and youths using air rifles.

The Government has made it easier for Scarborough Borough Council to obtain Anti-social Behaviour Orders (ASBO's), and I think the new measures are a real boost in the fight against troublemakers and criminals. Anti-social Behaviour Orders have been available to the police and local authorities since April 1999. Scarborough has not yet made full use of these powers with two people being served with an anti-social behaviour order and five given an acceptable behaviour contract.

I have been fighting locally for more to be done to tackle anti-social behaviour. I am pleased that the Government has taken action to address local concerns in the form of the Anti-social Behaviour Act. Respect for each other and for the area in which we live is at the heart of strong and prosperous communities. Anti-social behaviour undermines our communities creating an environment of fear and neglect.

It is now up to the police and Council, in partnership with the whole community, to ensure that the laws translate into real improvements for residents. There are more police in Scarborough & Whitby than ever before. This combined with the new measures should ensure that anti-social behaviour is reduced.

As well as a tough line on enforcement, there needs to be positive measures for the people, there is no excuse for anti-social behaviour, but we need to be tackling the problem. We must have a source, not just clear up the mess.

If you are experiencing anti-social behaviour it is important that you keep a record of dates, times and events as this evidence and the council collect evidence can be used in court.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT THE LOCAL COMMUNITY SALES TEAM ON 01723 383628.

LAWRIE WORKING FOR YOUR COMMUNITY



◀ Lawrie meets with members of Voice, a forum for over 50's.

▶ Children at Caedmon School, Whitby, receive free Ordnance Survey maps.

▼ Transport minister David Jamieson, front left, with MP Lawrie Quinn and local business and council leaders at Scarborough Building Society's headquarters for meeting on A64 upgrading.



▶ Supporting Volunteer Week.

▼ The launch of the Whitby and District Savings Club, which took place at Stakesby School is intended to develop into a credit union. Photo courtesy Roger Dalladay.



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National Spending Plans: *What it means for You*

On 13 July the Nations' Spending Review was presented to Parliament I believe it offers a massive boost for the children of Scarborough & Whitby and will make our communities safer.

At a national level new money has been set aside to create 2,500 Children's Centres across the country, this will support our local aim to ensure we have a new Children's Centre in every community. It also allows us to build on the excellent work that the Sure Start scheme is currently delivering in Scarborough.

Tackling anti-social behaviour and improving the quality of life for towns such as Scarborough & Whitby will be made easier by the new investment in our Criminal Justice system.

Other significant extra investment was also announced:

- **New funds of £250 million to get tough on anti-social behaviour**
- **Additional resources of £1 billion for housing**
- **£2 billion more for the Department of Transport to invest in our infrastructure to improve rail travel and tackle road congestion**
- **More funds for international aid**
- **More support for the Regional Development Agency and regional economic development**

This spending review is exactly what local residents and business people in Scarborough and Whitby have been demanding. This is the necessary investment in schools, skills training and enterprise to ensure our continued economic success and to enable us to build efficient strong public services and deliver greater opportunity and security for all the community.

LOCAL PEOPLE TO SET THE AGENDA

As this Parliamentary Review goes to the printers the date is being considered for when local people will be able to pass their judgement on a Regional Assembly for Yorkshire and the construction of local government. When Parliament returns in mid September there will be an announcement about when you will be able to decide how services are managed and how the strategic priorities for the Yorkshire Coast are determined.

I know how much hard work has gone into making the case for the much needed improvements to the A64 corridor, the need to bring more investment into job creation in Whitby and Scarborough, a more sustainable approach for the growth of our hospitality and tourism industries and above all to give more influence to our communities, priorities rather than Whitehall's representatives in our Region.

At last I have been able to ensure that everyone at the Yorkshire Coast will have their say about their future. If you'd like to tell me what you think about these proposals please contact me. I will place a copy of the draft legislation for Regional Government on my website as soon as it is published alternatively you can contact the office to request a copy.

If you would like to meet to discuss anything I've mentioned in this Review or any other issue, please contact the staff at either of the constituency offices where they will be happy to make an appointment. If it is more convenient for you, they will arrange a time when I can talk to you on the telephone.

WORKING WITH LOCAL BUSINESSES



I was pleased, earlier this year to work with the management and unions at Plaxton's to create the successful conditions for their management buy-out and the rebirth of the globally respected Plaxton name.

Throughout the year I have also worked with local small businesses, the FAST Group (Future Advances in Scarborough's Technology) and Yorkshire Forward to expand access to Information Technology (IT), which I believe will support new economic development for Scarborough and Whitby and move forward the job creation agenda.

Your major concerns in 2004

This year my mailbag has been dominated by the situation in the Middle East, controversial sea defence work along the Yorkshire Coast, the proposed Whitby Marina development and issues around council spending.

Health (in particular NHS dentistry), education and pensions have also been a matter of concern to local residents.

I receive approximately 700 enquiries each week.

Here is a breakdown of those enquiries received during the last 12 months.

Issue	%
Social Security – Benefits and Pensions	10
Health	9
Foreign & International Development policies	9
Housing	7
Transport	7
Crime and anti social behaviour	6
Planning issues and applications	6
Social Services in Scarborough & Whitby	6
Animal Welfare & Hunting with dogs	5
Education in Scarborough & Whitby	5
Economic development including telecommunication	5
Other Scarborough & North Yorkshire Council responsibilities	5
Tourism related issues	5
Agriculture including GM Crops	4
Environment	4
Issues raised by constituents not classified above	3
Fishing industry	2
Ethical issues, particularly medical research	2

World Heritage Status for Whitby

Along with local people I have ambitions for Whitby to be designated as a United Nations Educational and Cultural World Heritage Site and have been working towards this for sometime.

I was delighted to receive several expressions of support for this bid at the public meeting in Whitby on 11 June. The withdrawal of Evans Contractors from the Whitby Marina Development allows a fresh perspective for taking this forward.

If anyone would like to help with the furtherance of this campaign in the autumn, please contact Maggie Hargreaves at the Whitby office, 01947 821733.