Town Council Elections 7th May 2015
Your Labour candidates for the Loatland Ward

Joanne Watson has served as a Town Councillor for the Loatland Ward for four years. Joanne is married to Mark; they have three children who have all attended local schools. She has lived in the Loatland Ward for 39 years and has seen a lot of change in that time. Joanne attended Loatlands Primary School from 1976 to 1983 before moving on to Montsaye.

Joanne is now back at Loatlands where she has worked for 13 years as a Learning Support Assistant (HLTA) and School Governor. Joanne is also a committee member of the Desborough and District Twinning Association and is currently working with the Desborough Neighbourhood Plans steering group.

Joanne is passionate about Desborough and wants to see more employment opportunities so that it does not become a dormitory town where residents have to go out of the community to find work.

Joanne says, ‘I want everyone in Desborough to have access to the infrastructure that is needed to make it a stable and thriving community. We need facilities available to all ages and all pockets. Kettering Borough Council needs reminding that, as the Borough’s second largest town, we want, and deserve, the infrastructure to enable Desborough to flourish in the future’.

Bill Worswick has lived in Desborough for more than 20 years. Although university educated in Chemistry, he spent most of his career working in technical sales and marketing associated with the shoe trade. Since retiring, however, he has been putting his skills to use in a variety of voluntary activities: for example assisting older people to make better use of computers and the internet, and helping out at the Heritage Centre here in Desborough.

Bill lost his wife to cancer some years ago, and the experience has left him acutely aware of the wonderful care provided by our National Health Service, both around the country and especially here in Desborough. He says, “Many of us take the NHS for granted, but we shouldn’t. It’s a fantastic institution that has helped to make the Britain we know today but it’s under constant threat, both from budget cuts and privatisation. We all need to defend it”

Amongst Bill’s other major interests are football, tennis, indeed sports of all kinds, and if elected he would aim to make improving sports facilities one of his key priorities.

“The population of Desborough has grown tremendously over the past 10 years, yet our facilities today are little better than when I first moved to the area more than 20 years ago; indeed in some ways they are not as good. Somehow we always seem to miss out when the Borough allocates resources. I’d like to see that change”.

Rhea Keehn – standing as your next Labour MP

Families across the constituency tell me how the cost of living is rising, energy companies go unchallenged and wages don’t last to the end of the month; meanwhile the Tories give tax breaks to millionaires. But it doesn’t have to be this way. As your Labour MP I’d stand up for the Kettering Constituency and our families. I’d support raising the minimum wage, lowering tuition fees, make child care more affordable. I’ll fight for investment in our town centres and of course our NHS. As a local woman I am passionate about securing the future for all our communities and as your local MP I would not take a second job. I will work full time on your behalf fighting for a fairer society. We can make a difference at this election. Together we can vote to choose a Labour Government that stands up for the many, or keep this coalition that only stands up for a few. I know which I would prefer and I hope you will join me in voting Labour on May 7th 2015.

Vote Labour – Vote Keehn