STOKE, WEST MIDS & BLACK COUNTRY POLITICAL DAY

FRIDAY 24TH FEBRUARY

0800 Depart for church *Car – 20 mins*

0830 Arrive **Ukrainian Catholic in Great Britain**, Bishop’s House, 22 Binney Street, London W1K 5BQ met by Bishop Kenneth, Eparchial Bishop

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*Meet volunteers*

0850 Take seat in Cathedral

0855 VIVO Cathedral Quartet will sing a hymn – faith leaders and school children process into the Cathedral

0900 Children from St Mary’s School will sing “Oi u luzi chervona kalyna”

0905 Bishop Kenneth welcomes everyone and service begins

**VVIPs to light a candle**

Other VVIPs:

* Sadiq Khan, Mayor of London
* Vadym Prystaiko, Ambassador of Ukraine
* Ralph Goodale, Canadian High Commissioner
* Eitvydas Bajarunas, Ambassador of Lithuania
* Ivita Burmistre, Ambassador of Latvia
* Baroness Jane Scott, PUSS for Faith & Communities
* Dame Meg Hillier MP
* Cllr Mohinder Midha, Mayor of Ealing
* Cllr Hamza Taouzzale, Mayor of Westminster
* Faith leaders representing Christian denominations, the Jewish community and the Muslim community

0945 Service ends, depart for station *Car – 20 mins*

*After you have departed Sadiq Khan and Ukrainian Ambassador will speak*

1013 Arrive London Euston, depart for Stoke-on-Trent *Train – 1hr 30 mins*

1100 **Minute’s silence** to mark one year anniversary of Russian invasion

1143 Arrive Stoke-on-Trent station, depart for canvassing *Car – 17 mins*

1205 Arrive **June’s Kitchen**, 49 Knypersley Road, Stoke-on-Trent ST6 8HTfor canvassingmet by Jonathan Gullis MP

*Photo-op with activists and set off canvassing teams*

1235 Depart for visit *Car – 10 mins*

1245 Arrive **High Lane Oatcakes**, 597-599 High Lane, Tunstall, Stoke-on-Trent ST6 7EP met by Alex Povey, Managing Director

*Make oatcake on the griddle with Jonathan Gullis MP*

1300 Depart for Burton *Car – 55 mins*

1355 Arrive **Burton Albion Football Club**, Pirelli Stadium, Princess Way, Burton on Trent DE13 0AR met by Kate Kniveton MP

*Walk upstairs to Albion Suite*

*Members event – over 100 tickets sold. Event begins at 1230, hot buffet lunch served.*

1430 Depart for Wolverhampton North East *Car – 45 mins*

1515Arrive **Corpus Christi Social Centre**, 21 Ashmore Avenue, Wolverhampton WV11 2LT met by Jane Stevenson MP

*Members event – sold 75 tickets to members and business supporters*

1600 Depart for Stourbridge *Car – 50 mins*

1650 Arrive **Stourbridge Football Club,**  85 High Street, Amblecote, Stourbridge DY8 4HN met by Suzanne Webb MP

*Members event – 50-100 members*

1720 Depart for West Bromwich West *Car – 30 mins*

1730 **Latin class with Stephanie**

1800Arrive **The King Arthur Bar and Grill**, 101 Whitehall Road, Great Bridge, Tipton B70 0HG met by Shaun Bailey MP

*Members event - standing reception approx. 80 attending*

1830 Depart for Dudley *Car – 15 mins*

1845 Arrive **Dudley Canal & Tunnel Trust,** 501 Birmingham New Road, Dudley DY1 4SB met by Marco Longhi MP

*Members event – fundraising dinner approx. 80 attending*

1900 Buffet opens

1915 **Speech and Q&A**

1930 Mingle with guests

Raffle

2015 Depart for London *Car - 2hrs 45 mins*

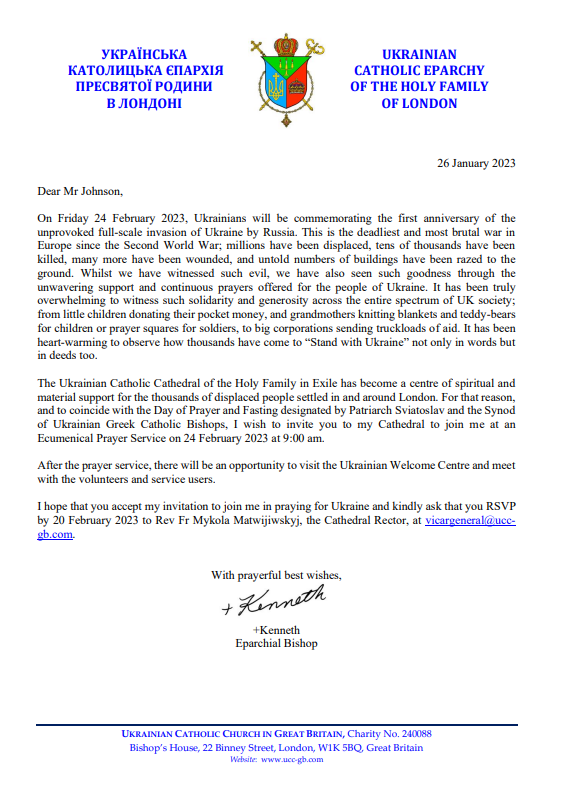
2300 Arrive home

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| Accompanying | Shelley Williams-Walker |
| Advance | N/A |
| Prot lead | Lead: Andy Burley – 07824 321104  Accompanying: Callum Grant – 07824 321232 and Richard Leck – 07766 997984 |
| Media | Prayer service: TBC  Members events: Association photographers |
| Constituency | Ukrainian Catholic Cathedral: Cities of London and Westminster – Nickie Aiken (Con)  Canvassing / High Lane Oatcakes: Stoke-on-Trent North – Jonathan Gullis (Con)  Burton Albion FC: Burton – Kate Kniveton (Con)  Corpus Christi: North East – Jane Stevenson (Con)  Stourbridge FC: Stourbridge – Suzanne Webb (Con)  King Arthur Bar and Grill: West Bromwich West – Shaun Bailey (Con)  Canals and Tunnels: Dudley North – Marco Longhi (Con) |
| Venue contact | **Ukrainian Catholic Church**  Myroslava – 07595 896781 or [eparchy@ucc-gb.com](mailto:eparchy@ucc-gb.com)  **Stoke**  Venue: Alex Povey - **01782 511799 or** [info@poveysoatcakes.com](mailto:info@poveysoatcakes.com)  Day: Jonathan Gullis MP – 07376 047772  **Burton**  Venue: Ben Robinson, Chair - 07831 874651 / [benrobinson@benrobinsonfs.com](mailto:benrobinson@benrobinsonfs.com)  Day: Kate Kniveton MP – 07904 778341  **Wolverhampton North East**  Venue: Toni-Marie, Landlady – 07984 696757  Day: Jane Stevenson MP – 07710 378887  **Stourbridge**  Venue: Andy Pountney, Chairman – [andy@andyfreight.co.uk](mailto:andy@andyfreight.co.uk) or 07870275001  Day: Joseph Vardon-Hynard, Suzanne’s office – 07796648284  **West Bromwich West**  Venue: Ajay, Manager – 07878 625278  Day: Sam (Shaun’s office) – 07432 014174 or Shaun Bailey MP – 07943 052290  **Dudley North**  Venue: Jane Allock, Commercial Manager – 0121 557 6265 ext 216  Day: Marco Longhi MP – 07802 420919 |

**0830 Ecumenical Prayer Service**

You visited the church on 27th February 2022 to join Sunday mass and met with Ukrainian community representatives.

You will be met by Bishop Kenneth who you have met on a few occasions – he has also recently travelled to Ukraine.



**Stoke-on-Trent North – Jonathan Gullis**

**LU funding**

Stoke-on-Trent City Council has secured £56m from the government in Levelling Up funding.

* This funding will support major transformational programmes right across the city:  
  Etruscan Square in the city centre, backed by £20m of Levelling Up funding, with development opportunities including a 3,600-capacity arena, 82,000 sf ft of commercial space, 285 homes, a 701-space car park a 138-bedroom hotel.
* The Goods Yard next to Stoke Station and the Trent and Mersey Canal, backed by £16m in Levelling Up funding, with developer Capital&Centric to transform a 1.24-acre site into office, leisure and commercial space, 174 with apartments and a 150-bed hotel. A new public realm will also be created alongside the reopening of the canalside jetty into public space.
* The further transformation of the Spode site in Stoke, backed by £10m in Levelling Up funding, with proposals to develop residential units, commercial space and large-scale community space on the former pottery site.
* The Crown Works in Longton, with proposals for 75 homes over an acre of land, backed by £6.5m in Levelling Up funding that will help to regenerate the town.
* Investment into the Grade II listed Tunstall Library and Pool, using £3.5m in Levelling Up funding to support 34 apartments, seven family mews homes and more than 2,000 sq ft of community space in the iconic buildings

Stoke-on-Trent has been awarded £56 million of government 'levelling up' cash for a range of regeneration projects.

The Chancellor announced in the budget speech that the 'great city of Stoke-on-Trent' would receive the money from the Levelling Up Fund, with three of its four bids being successful. SOT to receive £20 million for the City Centre Regeneration Area in Hanley, £16 million for the transformation of Swift House into The Goods Yard, and £20 million for heritage building schemes in Stoke, Tunstall and Longton.

The council's plans for the City Centre Regeneration Area, encompassing the old Hanley bus station site and the former East-West Precinct, include an indoor arena, hundreds of flats and a hotel.

The £20 million from the Levelling Up Fund will help pay for the first stages of the scheme, with work to demolish Meigh Street car park to make way for a larger multi-storey already underway.

The redevelopment of Swift House next to Stoke Station, will see the site transformed into the Goods Yard with 180 flats, a hotel, offices and leisure space.

And other town centres project involves the development of 200 new homes and commercial space on the Spode site in Stoke, Crown Works in Longton and the former Tunstall library and baths site.

Jan 2023 Stoke-on-Trent was awarded £20 million from the Levelling Up Fund to repurpose several key heritage buildings

* restoration and repurposing of the former Tunstall Library and Baths
* transformation of the former Spode Pottery Works
* repurposing of the Crown Works in Longton

Tunstall Library will become housing - the remaining £3.5 million will support the sympathetic redevelopment of the Grade II listed former Tunstall Library and Baths. The building will become high quality apartments and family homes.

**Canvassing**

**Ball Green**

**XXX Candidate for XX ward**

**High Lane Oatcakes**

High Lane Oatcakes was established in June 1980, taking over an existing bakery, which went back over 100 years, and was using the original recipe, which was bought with the business.

The Staffordshire Oatcake, a regional delicacy exclusive to the Potteries area of Staffordshire until recently, are now available by mail order, through the family run Oatcake Bakery, first established over 80 years ago.

You are meeting with Alex Povey, Managing Director.

**Burton**

**Wolverhampton North East**

**Stourbridge**

Points to note:

* Congratulations to Karen and Dave on their wedding!
* How fantastic Suzanne is!
* Thank you to Andy Pountney for hosting - Chairman of Stourbridge FC
* Shout out to the Justice for Ryan Campaign and Ryan's family, [Adrian, Jason, Debbie, Gill, Phil and Russ] who will also be in the audience. [Ryan Passey was stabbed and killed in Stourbridge 2017, perpetrator walked free in a perverse verdict. Fighting for justice ever since - Suzanne a big supporter]. Wish them well in their ongoing campaign for justice.

**West Bromwich West**

Points to note:

* Mention being in the **Black Country**; how heavily industrialised it is, how we want to put the Black Country back on the map as this is vital for manufacturing and industries as a whole, and business in general.
* Name check Aaron Emms - Aaron has been an invaluable support to Shaun and has gone above and beyond giving his time and support.

**Dudley North**