

# A History of Hard Work from Saghir Akhtar

From 1998 until now, below are some of the things Saghir Akhtar has achieved for our community.

•Saghir left Labour to join the Lib Dems in 1999. The reason she switched was because she felt the Labour Group on the Council were pressurising her to spend less time helping people - which Saghir sees as the main job of a Councillor.

•Stopped 'Teasers' lap dancing club from opening on Arkwright Street with a strong campaign and petition.

•Action by Saghir got bollards installed at Bosworth Walk, Bridgeway Centre, Oxbow Close, Humber Close, Beardsley Gardens and others between 2002 and 2003. This put a stop to a lot of joy-riding that had been happening.

•Saghir brought the CCTV scheme to The Meadows around 2003-2004 after successfully campaigning to The Home Office. She got cameras put in at Kelso Gardens, Bathley Street, Tarbet Close, The Bridgeway Centre, Sweet Leys Close, Hope Close and others.

•Many Streets had parking problems. Saghir set up residential parking schemes for Pyatt Street, Woodwood Street, Turney Street, Green Street, Radcliffe Street, Lamcote Street, and others.

•Saghir arranged for the wooden fences at Colliery Close to be replaced.

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Saghir is standing to be elected again in 2011

•Saghir forced the Council to maintain the lighting on the towpath near Castle Marina for much better safety for the local people who regularly use it.

This is just some of the work which Saghir has done over the years. We wanted to tell you how many individual people/cases she has helped with, but we can't - we lost count! We've worked out that Saghir has completed over 10,000 individual cases. With your vote, Saghir can carry on helping people as a Councillor for our area.

1998

•Saghir was elected as City Councillor for Bridge Ward in the 1998 by-election.

1999

•Saghir brought back buses to Wilford Grove, Sheriffs Way and Robin Hood Way

2000

•Saghir successfully campaigned to get seating installed in bus shelters around Bridge Ward.

2001

2002

•Between 1999 and 2003 Saghir got metal security fencing installed at elderly complexes: Lothmore Court, Briar Court, Willowbrook Court, Kirkwhite Court and Mayfield Court.

2003

2004

•Saghir got the first street lights installed at Malin Hill in the Lace Market, making it safe to use this path at night.

2005

2006

•The traffic island by the Toll Bridge was an overgrown jungle until Saghir arranged for it to be cleared. It was replaced with a much smaller, safer island.

2007

2008

•Many of the roads were in a poor state but Saghir pressed the Council to re-surface Beauvale Road, Glapton Road, Mundella Road and Woolmer Road with others.

2009

2010

•Saghir got the disused land near Cliff Road and Pemberton Street (Narrowmarsh) cleared of all the rubbish which had been tipped there.

2011

•Saghir gave a speech when she handed a petition, that had been collected by local residents, which saved the bandstand at The Victoria Embankment.

•Saghir pushed the Council to give recycling bins to residents at Quayside Close.



Saghir Akhtar in 1998



# Bridge Ward FOCUS

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## WIND TURBINE IN THE WRONG PLACE

Nottingham City Council's Energy Strategy includes the plan to build a wind turbine on the **Victoria Embankment**. There is currently a planning application being considered for a wind turbine at 67 metres high. New York's Statue of Liberty is 47 metres, whilst the Clock Tower at The Houses of Parliament is 89 metres; this wind turbine will be somewhere between the two.

Saghir said "This will change the appearance of the whole Embankment and **Meadows Recreations Ground**, as well as create a lot of noise in this peaceful area of our city.

"I think it's great to find more ways to get greener energy, but this wind turbine should go somewhere else.

"There are plenty of industrial parks nearby that would be perfect this project."



How the Victoria Embankment and Recreation Ground could look if the wind turbine goes ahead.

## Lib Dem takes back seat

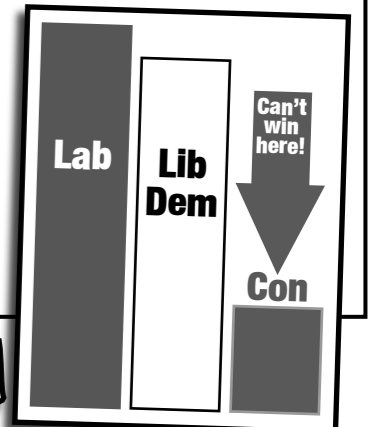
Liberal Democrat, **Andrew Ellwood** took back the seat for Phoenix Ward, Gedling in a by-election which was called because a Labour councillor resigned just three months after being elected.

You might remember Andrew because he used to work with Saghir Akhtar, here in Bridge Ward.

Andrew said "The Lib Dems were hit hard at the local elections this

year, but people are beginning to see that local Lib Dems work hardest.

"I want to wish Saghir the best of luck and hope that people of Bridge Ward elect her again."



It's Lib Dem or Labour here! →

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