



Roz Savage - Your MP for South Cotswolds

Our Rivers, Our Houses, Our Hospitals

These first few days of Parliament have already given us a glimpse of how our new **Prime Minister** intends to approach Downing Street. He has promised a more collegiate style of politics, focused on “**practical problem solving, not political point scoring**”.

I intend to test this new spirit. I'll be pressing Ministers on three issues that matter enormously to people across the South Cotswolds.

First, **Cirencester Hospital**. Local people should be able to rely on good healthcare close to home, and I'll be making the case for proper investment and the protection of its services.

Second, **housing**. We absolutely need more homes that local people can afford, but simply imposing unrealistic targets on the Cotswolds is not the answer. New homes need schools, healthcare, roads and other infrastructure, while protecting the beautiful countryside that makes this such a special place.

Third, **our rivers**. I'll continue pressing for much faster action on the disgusting dumping of sewage. Clean rivers are part of our natural inheritance. We should be handing them on to the next generation in better condition, not worse.



Amid those meetings, I have one rather more enjoyable appointment. Nine-year-old Elizabeth Ling and her parents are coming to Parliament. Elizabeth wrote to me because **a swing in a Cirencester park was broken and she wanted something done**. Cirencester Town Council listened and **replaced it**. I invited Elizabeth to Westminster to say well done: she spotted a problem and helped make something happen.

I saw that same spirit in **Malmesbury** last Saturday, where I had the enormous pleasure of judging the **Carnival procession**. It is the culmination of five weeks of community activities, organised by the Mayor, Town Councillors and an extraordinary team of volunteers. The “Carnival Crew” bring the town together while raising tens of thousands of pounds for local charities.

There is something important in both stories. Politics and community work best when people feel they have the power to make a difference – and when those in authority listen and respond. If the new Government genuinely wants to bring more of it to Westminster, I'll happily work with them, and **hold them to their word**.

Parliamentary Speeches

Back speaking in Westminster

With Parliament now back sitting after summer recess, I had the opportunity to speak on a couple of important issues. The first was in the House of Commons where I put a question to the Minister on the proposed **Rosebank and Jackdaw oil and gas fields**. Watch the question and its disappointing response by clicking on the picture below.



The second was in a Westminster Hall Debate regarding **Global Biodiversity and Ecosystems Collapse**. Watch that speech [here](#).

Seeing it for Myself: In the Constituency and Westminster

Last week I -

- 🏠 Raised a question in Parliament on the Rosebank and Jackdaw oil and gas fields. I asked why they should go ahead when we won't own the oil, won't set its price and most of it won't be refined here.
- 🗳️ Spent time canvassing in Kingswood for Fred Hulls, who won the by-election last week. A huge congratulations to him, a fantastic Lib Dem candidate!
- 🌱 Spoke in a Westminster Hall Debate on the national security assessment of global biodiversity loss and ecosystem collapse.
- 🏫 Visited Down Ampney primary school to speak with a fantastic class who are coming to Westminster this week to have a look around. Their excitement, knowledge and curiosity were so admirable!
- 🏰 Had the pleasure of judging at the Malmesbury Carnival Procession. It was a wonderful showcase of community spirit.
- 🕊️ Gave a reading at St John the Baptist church in Cirencester for the Winstone Charitable Trust's thanksgiving service.
- 🎓 Spoke with a constituent currently at university to give insight into the Lime Down Solar Farm proposal as part of his dissertation.

Readers Weekly Poll

The **weekly poll** is **back** after a week without the newsletter. This week is all about the next general election...

When would you ideally want the next general election to be?



Quote of the Week

"The greatness of a community is most accurately measured by the compassionate actions of its members."

— Coretta Scott King

Have a great week!!



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