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2023 ELECTION RESULTS
Labour are now the controlling group of Erewash Borough Council.
Labour Councillors 28
Conservative Councillors 16
Green Party 1
Independent 1
Liberal Democrat 1
So, labour have a majority of nine.
Turnout was 33.72%
71.46% were postal votes.
In Breaston Green Party gain 1
Conservative hold 1

COST OF LIVING PAYMENTS
Eligible households receive £301 Cost of living payment.

LONG EATON TOWN DEAL
Developments are planned or underway to spend 24 million grant.
West Park events space
West Park waterfront
Pedestrian cycleway
Box office
Galaxy row
Stable block.

LONG TERM EMPTY PROPERTIES
With effect from April 2023, the additional premium on vacant property which have been empty for 2 years are charged an additional 100%, more than 5 years 200% and over 10 years 300 – 400%.

SHARED PROSPERITY FUND.
EBC successfully bid for a £2.8m share of Governments prosperity fund, for community and business projects.

PLANNING
Development management are responsible for managing and regulating new development throughout Erewash, the purpose is to ensure that land is used in the most efficient way in order to encourage economic growth, while protecting amenities and the environment, both now and the future.

ARMED SERVICES COVENANT
As part of the armed services covenant EBC has secured a bronze award, the covenant was signed in 2019.

EBC DISCRETIONERY HOUSING PAYMENTS
Residents can check if they are eligible for a discretionary housing payment, funded by Department of Works and Pensions.

ONLINE
Residents can now deal with a wide range of queries relating to Council services via an online account, view your council tax etc.

QUALITY AIR ZONES
Two air quality zones in Erewash have been monitored for pollution levels over the last twenty years are to be lifted the two areas are Long Eaton and Sandiacre.

CORE STRATEGY
Core strategy the officer in charge has changed.

STANTON
A70 hectare site at Stanton that has been derelict for years has been sold with plans to transform the land and create local jobs for local people, all the buildings have now been demolished and is clear. It is a new company called Verdant formed by Ward recycling and Trust Utilities.

GREEN FLAGS
EBC has retained eight flags, Forbes Hole, for the very first time.

TOLL BAR HOUSE
Toll bar house has been completely renovated and is being let as offices, bringing new opportunities for small business in Erewash.

LONG EATON FOOTBALL CLUB
The club has been granted a new 25-year lease.

CAR PARKS
A further seven contactless payment machines were installed in Erewash town centre car parks making life easier for motorists.

MUSEUM
The Council set straight the wholly inaccurate media reports that the museum was closing, this is totally untrue.

TOURISM
Tourists are being encouraged to visit Erewash, including the promotion of its outdoor trails, this is being done on the back of the Government shared prosperity fund.

BUDGET
Inflation cost the authority £1.8m. £1.2m being pay increases.
Council tax increase raised approximately £200k.
Government funding down £80k

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