

Hannan's Herculean Effort in Wilmslow

Since the Coronavirus outbreak, Wilmslow Town Councillor, Hannan Sarwar, has been leading the response in his local community as well as in his Association.

He got in touch to share with us some of the things he has been doing to help

residents in Wilmslow.

We know that councillors and Local Authorities up-and-down the country will be running similar programmes, and we'd love to hear about them, too!

Likewise, if you're piloting any new and innovative

programmes or initiatives, please do get in touch and let us know.

Cllr Sarwar was elected to Wilmslow Town Council last year aged 18, and is the Deputy Chair (Political) of Tatton Conservatives.



Cllr Sarwar has been working with local health centres and pharmacies. Initially he supported them through **helping to create a 'hot-hub' drive-thru service at Wilmslow Health Centre**, as well as then helping to recruit volunteers to support the initiative.

He currently has a dedicated team of thirty to assist the health centre and two local pharmacies, who are working seven days a week to support these services.

Volunteers' work include implementing social distancing measures and the delivery of prescriptions to those who are most vulnerable.

In his role as General Secretary of the conservative youth group, Blue Beyond, Cllr Sarwar has been **organising numerous fundraising initiatives, including a series of online pub quizzes**; the first of which was attended by a number of MPs.

So far the group has raised over £2,500 for NHS charities, with more events planned in the coming weeks.

Additionally, Cllr Sarwar has been **working with his Association in co-ordinating member efforts to call residents across the local area to ensure they are well and to offer support**. This has resulted in dozens of people requesting urgent supplies, which the team continues to assist in sourcing and delivering.

Local businesses have also reached out, offering to donate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) for local care homes and health centres. These continue to be collected and distributed on a regular basis.

After liaising with local businesses, Cllr Sarwar has **commenced a weekly delivery service to local hospitals and police stations**. Deliveries include bottled water, drinks, and hot food.

He says that the community response has been overwhelming, with key workers extremely grateful for the donations.

Cllr Sarwar would like to thank everyone who has offered to volunteer, and donated their time and goods to support the local community.

The response has been overwhelming and shows a true community spirit.