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HOW THE TEAM IS STRUCTURED TO FACILITATE YOU

Councillors

Councillors are your primary points of contact for social and development matters. They are accessible to you and are eager to represent your issues at the Parish Council level.
• Mayor Brenda Ramsay - Bellefield Division - 383-5847, Councillor Donovan Mitchell - Royal Flat Division - 448-4814, Councillor Jones Oliphant - Mandeville Division - 838-0050, Caretaker Goyfield Harrison - Knockpatrick Division - 882-8158

Constituency Office

The constituency office also serves as a resource centre and is your secondary point of contact.
• Ms Janet Campbell - Office Secretary 962-3416, Trishanna Archer - Development Officer - 833-4098.

Member of Parliament

Your Member of Parliament is responsible for making representation on your behalf at the national level. He is accessible and wants you to actively participate in how you are governed, by bringing issues to his attention for representation and debate in Parliament.
• Peter Bunting - 809-7383 or through his Assistant, Nekeisha Burchell - 822-MYMP(6967)

MEET YOUR FACILITATORS:

Meet Trishanna Archer, Development Officer for Central Manchester, who joined the team in January 2012. Ms Archer is charged with identifying social and economic opportunities to enrich the lives of residents.



She has been instrumental in the formation of the Dispute Resolution and Violence Prevention Association, the Sports Development Committee, manages the Job Bank and has attracted much needed welfare and social assistance for constituents from NGOs such as Food For The Poor.

DEVELOPMENTS:

In January, we bid farewell to Superintendent Lascelles Taylor and ACP Derrick Cochrane, who will retire from the Force. Both have served the constituency enthusiastically and we wish them a happy retirement and continued success in their endeavours.

We welcome Superintendent Marlon Nesbeth and SSP Derrick "Cowboy" Knight, who will now be in charge of Manchester, and the Area 3 Police Division respectively.

Superintendent Nesbeth joins us from the Firearms and Tactical Training Unit of the



JCF and brings extensive knowledge of community policing from his stints as Superintendent in charge of St. Thomas and St. Catherine South. We look forward to his contribution.

PARLIAMENT

The final quarter of the calendar year has been dominated by Jamaica's on-going negotiations with the International Monetary Fund (IMF), as we prepare to engage the Fund in another agreement.

Parliament is currently debating reforms to the public sector pension scheme.

The Evidence (Special Measures) Act amendment to facilitate remote live video testimony has been passed in both the Senate and Parliament, and regulations have been passed for the Sex Offenders Act, making provision for the establishment of a sex offenders' registry.

The Houses have also been examining other important legislation including an Anti-Scamming (Advance Fee Fraud) Act. A draft legislation is being examined by an inter-ministerial committee (National Security, Justice and Technology), to aid the police in mounting successful cases to prosecute criminals and eliminate scams of all kinds, including the notorious lottery scam.

STEPS TO EXCELLENCE



MP's REPORT

to Constituents of
Central Manchester

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Peter
Bunting
M.P.



Dear Constituents,

I am pleased to present the December 2012 issue of my "Report to Constituents of Central Manchester", consistent with my tradition of accountability as your elected representative.

It is hard to believe that we are already one year into my second term as your Member of Parliament. Having been appointed Minister of National Security in January, it has been difficult balancing this demanding portfolio while also ensuring that my constituency responsibilities are not neglected.

There have been two compensating initiatives to help me achieve this balance. The first has been the appointment of a Development Officer, Trishanna Archer, to represent me at certain constituency events and to assist in developing and executing constituency programmes. I am especially pleased with Ms. Archer's contribution to the Sports Development Committee as well as to the Dispute Resolution and Violence Prevention Association.

The second initiative has been the monthly Face-to-Face, which rotates among parish council divisions within the constituency, and provides a forum for constituents to voice concerns to the MP, as well as local government officials, government agencies and public utility companies.

My office continues its active promotion of communication with constituents through our website, Facebook and Twitter pages.

Even in these tough times we can all be thankful for something. For some it is the love of family and friends, while for others, the brotherhood of community and country. As you gather with your families to celebrate the holidays, remember the less fortunate among us and keep the brave men and women of our security forces in your prayers.

Be safe this holiday, as we prepare to take on the challenge of 2013 with renewed purpose.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Peter

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Face-to-Face, Knockpatrick Division



Men Who Cook 2012



Sports Development Committee

STATE OF THE CONSTITUENCY

FACE-TO-FACE

Recognizing the need for improved interaction between constituents and the MP we have incorporated a new 'face to face' communication feature which entails a series of town hall meetings across the four divisions.

In addition to being an opportunity to speak with your MP, the Face-to-Face meetings present an appropriate forum for intra- constituent dialogue to find solutions to shared problems.

So far this year, two Face-to-Face meetings have been held, September - Knockpatrick Division at the May Day High School and November - the Mandeville Division at Cecil Charlton Hall.

Our team has made careful note of your concerns about unemployment, road repair and water supply. We will continue to make representation to the Jamaica Public Service Company, the National Water Commission, the National Works Agency and other service agencies to bring improvements.

A Job Bank is also active in your constituency and continues efforts to appropriately match persons to available job opportunities.

We invite you to come out to the next Face-to-Face in your division. If we are to accomplish the things you voted for on December 29, 2011, you have to be even more involved than you were in giving me the chance to represent you.

CONSTITUENCY DEVELOPMENT FUND (CDF)

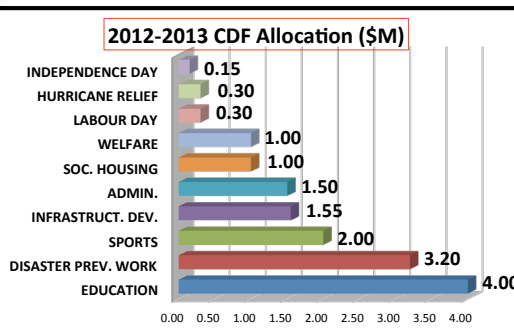


Figure 1 CDF Allocations for 2012-2013

The Constituency Development Fund (CDF) has so far been used based on consultation with constituents and that will continue into the new year.

You may have noticed bushing and drain cleaning activities currently underway in the constituency. This is a product of the CDF, valuing approximately \$3.2M and providing emergency employment to hundreds of constituents.

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Phase II Approved Projects List.

Representation has been made to Ministry of Transport and Works to secure the following:

- Road patching: Williamsfield – Greenvale Bypass; Melrose Hill Bypass; Whitney Turn – Williamsfield; Williamsfield (via Mandeville) - Greenvale

- Construction of retaining walls in Davyton, Bottom Coffee Grove and Top Albion

- Road rehabilitation: Cedar Grove, Balvenie, Top Bellefield, Bottom Coffee Grove and Roxborough

Other Road Repair Work in the Constituency:

- Bellefield to Cumberland Road
- Pert Road
- Manchester Road
- Balvenie
- Kendal Road
- Ingleside
- Barnstable
- Villa Road
- Bonito Crescent
- Perthland Drive
- Main Street
- Hargreaves Avenue
- Patrick Road

INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY (ICT)

Pursuant to the vision of transforming Central Manchester into a centre of excellence for the knowledge-based industries, we hosted a tour of

potential ICT facilities in October.

Minister of Science, Technology, Energy and Mining (MSTEM), Phillip Paulwell, State Minister in MSTEM, Julian Robinson, representatives of JAMPRO and the Factories Corporation of Jamaica, partnered with us on this initiative.

Positioning Central Manchester as Jamaica's next ICT hub will bring much needed employment opportunities and boost the local economy. Contact the MP's office if you would like to partner with us, as an investor, or if you know of suitable commercial space for rent or lease.

CALL 1-888-DISPUTE (347-7883)

The Dispute Resolution and Violence Prevention Association is making progress. To date, it has graduated 80 "first responders" who are trained to identify the warning signs of domestic violence, and to offer counselling or referral as appropriate.

Get involved! If you are interested in being trained as a peer counsellor/ first responder, contact Miss Archer at the constituency office.

EDUCATION

The 2012 Grade 4 Literacy Test results are encouraging. In Central Manchester, students' performance has been steadily improving over the last three years, moving from 65% mastery in 2010 to 72% in 2012. At the secondary level, we must encourage better performance in Mathematics, Science, English Language and IT, to prepare our students to take advantage of the jobs of the future.

Student absenteeism has increased this school term, as it has been more economically challenging for parents and guardians to provide bus fares and lunch for their children and wards. Consider registering your children for PATH benefits; while we continue to explore options for a more expansive school feeding programme.

New basic school for Georges Valley

Food For The Poor has offered to construct a new school building on lands leased by the Georges

Valley Social Club.

The Office of the MP will cover site preparation costs and will assist the Social Club in building the school and play field.

CENTRAL MANCHESTER JOB BANK

In our most recent cycle, we were able to assist over 80 persons in their job search.

No. Of Job-Seekers	Result	Organizations-Type of Job
49	Hired	NSWMA, TPDCo, Min. Of Nat Sec. & other private entities
10	Hired	Mandeville Regional Hospital - Custodial Services
8	4 Interviewed	Ministry of Labour – Canadian Farm Work
10	Interviewed, awaiting response	Transport Authority
4	Interviewed	ULI Enterprise – Customer Service

COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP

Congratulations to the Manchester Neighbourhood Watch Council for helping to keep families and communities safe. We welcome the newest chapter of the Council in Melrose Mews. It is encouraging to see citizens taking

responsibility for their security and we look forward to greater activity from your Council in 2013.



Miss Janet Campbell



WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU

HOW ARE YOU TAKING RESPONSIBILITY FOR MAKING YOUR CONSTITUENCY SAFER?

- ☐ I AM A MEMBER OF A NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH ASSOCIATION
- ☐ I AM A MEMBER OF THE DISPUTE RESOLUTION & VIOLENCE PREVENTION ASSOCIATION
- ☐ I REPORT SUSPICIOUS OR ILLEGAL ACTIVITY TO THE POLICE
- ☐ MY CHILDREN ARE HOME FROM SCHOOL AT A REASONABLE TIME EVERY DAY
- ☐ I AM MY BROTHER'S KEEPER
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Please check relevant box and dropoff to Constituency Office or take to next Face-to-Face.

