



## Joe Rooney

I have lived in Birmingham since 1999, and work as a trade union official. For the last two years, I have used my energy, knowledge and determination to work for the benefit of **Bournville, Cotteridge and Stirchley**. I want to carry on my campaigns against the **Tesco** development in **Stirchley**, against poor housing on the **Masefield estate**, and against the **cuts to Council services** and wages, from inside the Council House as your Councillor.

I am a member of **Unite Against Fascism** and the **Stop The War Coalition** and have been involved in campaigning against the **Iraq War**, **University tuition fees** and **climate change** since 2003.

## Our Community

Bournville, Cotteridge and Stirchley are good places to live for most. But not everything is so great; there are still problems with **traffic, public transport, anti-social behaviour, poor housing** and **recycling**. It's time that we took the necessary steps to reverse these problems and **tackle the root causes**.

Only the Green Party offers a realistic chance to make the changes needed. By concentrating on **local people, local services** and **local action** we can make the difference. **Bournville Ward** has always been a great place – together we make it a Green place too!

## Get Involved

If you'd like to help out, join the Green Party, or just get more information, please contact Joe Rooney.

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# ONE WORLD. ONE CHANCE.

## Vote Green Party



## VOTE

## JOE ROONEY

## Bournville Ward

## 1st MAY 2008

Your one chance to vote Green this year

## Keep Tesco out of Stirchley

The Greens have been fighting Tesco for a long time. The proposed development in Stirchley would worsen existing problems with **traffic**, and would force many **local businesses to close**. Over **70% of the local people** I have consulted are against a Tesco supermarket in Stirchley, but our local Councillors support it. By voting for me, you send a



message that you want to make sure that your views are heard and listened to.

## Traffic and Public Transport



Traffic is a big problem across Bournville, Cotteridge and Stirchley. Many residential roads turn into **rat-runs** during **rush hour**, making them very dangerous for pedestrians.

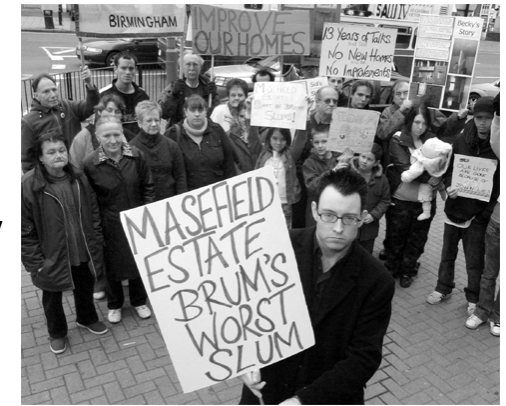
By electing me as your Councillor, you can be sure that I will work hard

to get a **20mph speed limit on all residential roads**, reducing the risk to pedestrians. I would also lobby the bus companies to **reduce their fares by at least 20p**, to make public transport more affordable. I would also make it easier for people to leave their cars at home by funding **safer cycling programmes**.

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### Affordable housing and free insulation

Since 2006, I have been campaigning to improve conditions on the Masefield estate, on the southern edge of Bournville Ward. This estate has been **forgotten by local Councillors** and is in huge need of improvements. Thanks to pressure from the Green Party, local Councillors published a report on the estate, but there is still a very long way to go before the people on the estate find out the plan for their homes.



The Green Party is committed to funding **insulation for all homes**, to help reduce fuel bills and protect the environment.

## Other Key Issues



As well as the pledges I've mentioned here, there are some other important things that the Green Party are campaigning on, locally and nationally. You can find out more about these issues by going to the Green Party website, **[www.greenparty.org.uk](http://www.greenparty.org.uk)**

- ✓ Free school meals
- ✓ A living wage for all
- ✓ Oppose airport expansion
- ✓ A city-wide alcohol restricted area
- ✓ Solar electricity on council houses and buildings
- ✓ Better recycling facilities
- ✓ Justice for Council workers