

**Election Communication** for Birmingham Northfield from the **Common Good party.**

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# Vote Dick Rodgers Common Good

**A Child dies every 3 seconds (UN)**

**What we do about it decides our fate, not just theirs.**



## **If we care about the world**

### **We'll see:**

- ☺ How lucky we are.
- ☺ Many things we can do to make the world a fairer place for all.
- ☺ A new purpose for our lives.
- ☺ Britain becoming a team as we did in World War II.
- ☺ Our young people sensing a new spirit in the adult world around them and dreaming of their own future useful careers.
- ☺ Pupils keen to learn at school.
- ☺ No more drugs.
- ☺ No more crime. ... and soon.
- ☺ Lots of skilled engineers, etc re-building our nation and supplying vital world needs.
- ☺ Plenty of worthwhile jobs.
- ☺ Britain happy, united, at peace.
- ☺ Old people honoured.
- ☺ The world's children healthy.



## **If we don't care, we will:**

- ☹ Have a pretty boring life.
- ☹ Have no shared national vision that we can all respect.
- ☹ Go to work to get the money to pay the bills but not because we believe in the job.
- ☹ OR do our job well but not see it as part of the big picture.
- ☹ Fail to inspire our children.
- ☹ Have problems with classroom misbehaviour, drugs and crime.
- ☹ Grumble a lot and be afraid.
- ☹ See British industry collapse.
- ☹ Feel threatened by competition from cheap foreign labour.
- ☹ Fear racial tension in Britain.
- ☹ Want more and not be satisfied.
- ☹ Retire early, fed up with it all.
- ☹ Fear poverty in old age.
- ☹ Let 28,000 children die daily.





Please vote for me to say,  
**“Yes! We want to make the world a fairer place for everybody. Let’s do it!”**

Aged 57, a Northfield resident for 22 years, I’m a doctor and clergyman. I’ve campaigned about Russia and the Sudan.

If elected I’d **draw £25,000 a year** (the average UK wage) instead of an MP’s pay of £59,000, realising that many people have much less.

**We need a shared purpose in life.** Doing the right thing in the world will do us a power of good. The **only answer to drugs, crime and truancy** is for all of us to find something to live for that is vitally important and makes us feel good about ourselves; and that’s got to be **making the world a better place for everybody.**

The only way to get public services to work **and** be affordable is for people to love their neighbour and want to serve the community. If we don’t care, we have to privatise everything, introducing the profit motive. That’s complicated and expensive and doesn’t work. **But IF we do care (a big IF)** we will work well for each other as state employees. That’s simple and cheap and we wouldn’t need such heavy monitoring.

## **Northfield Residents really need a dual carriageway Selly Oak bypass.**

I stood by the roadside with my banners morning and evening for 9 weeks last year begging the Council for a dual carriageway bypass, instead of their planned single lane “new road”. Conservatives, Labour and Liberal Democrats have all said, “No.” and opted for a single lane road. I think the road into town will be congested for years to come. A Public Inquiry starts on May 4th. Elect me and give me your mandate to press for a second opinion on the traffic modelling studies underlying this bizarre decision.

## **Rebuild Weoley’s Canal and Fairytale Moated, Castle.**

Weoley’s medieval castle was a gem with turrets, battlements, moat and drawbridge. Later the 1798 Selly Oak to Halesowen Lapal canal ran right by it and into Britain’s longest canal tunnel. I want to help young Weoley and Northfield residents take pride in professional “on the job” craft training, rebuilding the castle and renovating the canal. It would be a fabulous attraction, famous far and wide for Weoley Castle to be proud of.

If elected I shall try to build BART **Birmingham Area Rapid Transit** getting residents to the city centre cheaply in 10-15 minutes.

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