

BUILDING

a Fairer Westminster



A lot done:

In May 2022 a Labour council was elected to run Westminster for the first time ever – and we've been working hard to improve people's lives ever since. We've shown that Westminster doesn't have to accept the Conservative status quo.

Your Labour Council is:

- ✓ **PROTECTING AND IMPROVING** local services, while keeping council tax low.
- ✓ **LISTENING** to local people and involving them more in decision making.
- ✓ **WORKING HARD** to keep our streets clean, bring life back to our high streets and get more people into good jobs.
- ✓ **ON YOUR SIDE** – putting local places and communities at the heart of what we are doing.



In our first four years, **WESTMINSTER LABOUR HAS DELIVERED A LOT...**

Improved **SAFETY**

– with a new **200-camera CCTV network**, new anti-social behaviour enforcement powers (PSPOs) and a **18 strong team** of police and city inspectors funded by the Council to crack down on crime.

NEW **Stronger communities**

through **six new** community hubs, increased support for youth clubs, advice services and food banks, and funding **over 100** new community projects.

Cleaner, greener streets

with **LESS** litter, **MORE** recycling, **MORE** greening, **NEW** fines for dumped e-bikes and **INVESTMENT** in our high streets and new public spaces.

FREEZE

Low Council Tax

We're **freezing** the main rate again this year and will ensure Westminster retains one of the **lowest** Council Tax rates in the country.

Fairer **HOUSING**

by **doubling** the size of the renters rights and short-term let enforcement teams, opening **four** new estate offices and becoming the UK's **fifth biggest council home builder**.

FREE

SUPPORT FOR FAMILIES

including **FREE** school meals for Westminster's kids aged 3-14, **FREE** swimming for families in the holidays and new **FREE** breakfast clubs in many schools.

A lot more to do **OUR KEY PLEDGES** **We will:**

- **KEEP** our communities safe by expanding and upgrading our CCTV network to 350 cameras by 2028 and deploying more police and council enforcement officers on our streets.
- **BUILD** 1,500 new social and truly affordable homes across Westminster by 2035, and provide high-quality housing services that keep homes safe and well maintained.
- **INVEST** in our community centres, hubs, libraries, youth clubs, leisure centres and the community activities that enrich people's lives.
- **CREATE** a greener, healthier and more resilient city for everyone and lead the fight locally against climate change.
- **INVEST** in every neighbourhood, keeping our streets clean, safe and easy to get around, and helping our local high streets thrive.
- **KEEP council tax low.** We have frozen core council tax this year, will ensure Westminster retains one of lowest Council Tax rates in the country and provide further support to residents with the cost of living.



If Westminster Labour wins on May 7th we will:

Fairer Housing

- **IMPROVE** Housing services by ending poorly performing the Tory 10 year contracts for housing contractors, upgrade housing CCTV and keep estate offices open.

- **PROVIDE** more support for Private Renters – our expanded renters rights enforcement team will tackle poor standards and improve living conditions.
- **SUPPORT Leaseholders** – We will fund independent support for both Council and private leaseholders and create a new private leaseholders charter.
- **CRACK DOWN** on short-term lets – a Labour Council will recruit even more enforcement officers to take advantage of the Government's upcoming registration scheme.



Fairer Environment



- **KEEP** our streets clean by protecting waste collections and jet washing, and cracking down on flytipping and dumped e-bikes.
- **USE** Westminster's world-leading retrofit first planning policy to encourage developers to extend and refurbish existing buildings in place of demolition to cut carbon emissions.
- **CUT** red-tape for flat owners wanting to upgrade their windows with double glazing.
- **CREATE** 1,000 safer junctions including new zebra crossings and more accessible pavements.
- **REDUCE** to zero the number of children killed or seriously injured on our roads by 2030.

Fairer Community

- **PROTECT** our new Community Hubs and support our community groups, advice services and youth clubs. The Conservatives are threatening to close the hubs and they reduced funding for community services last time they were in power.
- **STAND UP** for the values that make Westminster an inclusive and welcoming city.



Fairer Economy



- **GUARANTEE** paid work placements to any young person not in education, training or employment.
- **IMPROVE** high streets including in Pimlico, Bayswater, Paddington and Harrow Road with new public spaces, greening and support for shops.
- **REFORM** the city plan to deliver more homes, better jobs and less pollution.

Fairer Council



- **RAISE** the income threshold when older and disabled residents pay for homecare to over £300 per week, to ensure 3 out of 4 service users don't pay for their care.
- **HELP** residents with cost of living support and advice, while protecting our Free School Meal programme for 3-14 year olds.



We've done a lot in our first four years but **there's much more work to be done**. If we don't win on May 7th, the Conservatives will undo the progress we've made.

Vote Labour on May 7th to build a better, fairer Westminster.

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to our
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