

ONE CAMBRIDGESHIRE FAIR FOR ALL. CHANGE BEGINS



LABOUR'S PRIORITIES FOR CAMBRIDGESHIRE:

BUILDING HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE FIT FOR THE FUTURE

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Thursday 1 May

DELIVERING A COUNTY THAT'S FAIRER, GREENER, CONNECTED, AND WORKS FOR EVERYBODY

We're shaping a brighter future for all residents.

With a Labour government and a Labour mayor, change has begun in Cambridgeshire.

We are building a health and social care service that is fit for the future. We are investing so that it is easy and safe to travel to work or education, for leisure, and to visit friends and family.

We are breaking down the barriers that hold young people back. We are putting the heart back into communities, investing in local hubs.

We are combatting climate change and protecting residents from flooding and damaged roads.



Cambridgeshire is changing for the better.

Labour holds the balance of power at the county council meaning that many of our manifesto pledges have been put into action.

We have invested record sums in frontline services: education, social care, road maintenance, recycling, and buses. We have put anti-poverty work front and centre of our administration.

We can't afford to go back to Conservative chaos.

At the last election, voters rightly turfed out the Conservatives. Residents had had enough of being taken for granted. They'd had enough of local finances being in a mess. They knew services should be better. Let's not return to the havoc of the Conservative years.

It's time to make service the driving force of local politics

The Labour government is devolving more responsibilities to councils. Local government is being reshaped. Labour has a clear vision for Cambridgeshire and we're firm believers in public service.

On Thursday 1 May you will have two ballot papers. Please back your Labour county candidates, and Anna Smith for elected mayor of Cambridgeshire and Peterborough. Together we will deliver change.



Elisa Meschini

Leader of the County Council Labour Group



BUILDING HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE FIT FOR THE FUTURE

Delivering our promises:

- ✓ **With a Labour Chair of Adults & Health**, Cllr Howitt, care services are closer to local communities, simplifying contact with providers.
- ✓ **Introduced the real living wage in the council**, which is higher than the statutory minimum wage.
- ✓ **Provided Household Support Fund vouchers** for all eligible people. We assist residents struggling with the cost of living with money for food, bills, and white good repairs.
- ✓ **Elderly and disabled people** can opt for direct payments to manage their own care.
- ✓ Challenged lack of **dentistry and GP appointments** caused by Conservative cuts. Better planning to **ease winter care pressures**.



We will help build a National Care Service:

- ▶ **Health and social care there when you need it.** We'll work with the Labour government and the **mayor** who will have new healthcare responsibilities.
- ▶ **Higher standards** from care providers, bring more services in-house, and early interventions to support '**living well for longer**'.
- ▶ **Implement Labour's Fair Pay Agreement in Social Care** for all front-line care workers.
- ▶ In partnership with district councils and social housing providers, offer more **housing with care support**.
- ▶ Back **Young Futures Hubs** to provide easy access to mental health support for younger people.
- ▶ **Health and wellbeing** strategy for women and the disadvantaged.

MOVING AROUND THE COUNTY EASILY AND SAFELY

Delivering our promises:

- ✓ **Highest ever budget for road maintenance.** An extra £56m for Cambridgeshire secured.
- ✓ Achieved excellence status for **active travel**. Schemes such as the Chisholm trail, and walking and cycling routes in March.
- ✓ **Consulted residents** on 'congestion charging' and scrapped the plans as a result.
- ✓ **Overhauled key roads** building in bus and cycle infrastructure such as on Milton Road.
- ✓ **Consulted residents on road improvements** such as the A141 in St Ives, the BP roundabout near Ely.



- ✓ **Road safety in our towns and villages.** Supported local 20mph zones and other safety features where residents requested them.

We will create people-centred travel:

- ▶ **Travel at the times you want, on the routes you need, at a price you can afford.** We'll work to deliver bus franchising made possible by the Labour mayor and, soon, our train services return to public hands.
- ▶ **More funding for road repairs** and get value for money from contractors. Renew roads, tackle peat soil affected camber, and fix those potholes.
- ▶ **Improve busway services** to end the full buses skipping stops.
- ▶ **End bad parking** with increased powers against pavement parking.
- ▶ **Joined up networks** such as bus connections to rail stations, and secure cycle parking and storage.



BREAKING DOWN THE BARRIERS TO OPPORTUNITY

Delivering our promises:

- ✓ **Free school meal vouchers.** We've helped over 24,000 low-income families provide healthy meals for their children.
- ✓ **New school buildings** including at Alconbury Weald, Cambourne and Northstowe.
- ✓ Supported access to **sports and arts programmes** for children from low-income families.
- ✓ Ensured that **Care Experience** is a protected characteristic to help address inequalities.
- ✓ Supported **nursery education** such as funding a suitable location in Abbey, Cambridge.
- ✓ Helped with **social worker recruitment and retention** through support and training.



We will achieve a fair deal for all children:

- ▶ Work with the Labour government for **fair funding for our schools**. Campaign for the mayor to make further education provision in St Neots and in East Cambs.
- ▶ **Children hungry to learn, not with hungry bellies.** Working with the Labour government to provide free breakfast clubs in every school.
- ▶ Support academy and county schools as inclusive and happy places, teaching to a **high standard**.
- ▶ As new communities grow, make sure that **new schools** are there in time such as at Waterbeach.
- ▶ Work with the Labour government for a **Special Educational Needs** system that is fit for purpose, and enables all students to thrive.

PUTTING THE HEART BACK INTO COMMUNITIES

Delivering our promises:

- ✓ **Kept libraries open**, well stocked and under public ownership.
- ✓ **Invested in community hubs** that provide meeting rooms and cafes e.g. in Cherry Hinton and March.
- ✓ **Prioritised social mobility** by setting up a county-wide anti-poverty commission informed by lived experience.
- ✓ **Improved inclusivity** through 'Changing Places' toilets adapted for people with disabilities e.g at Riverside Park, St Neots.
- ✓ **Gained Council of Sanctuary status** confirming our welcome for people seeking sanctuary.



We will work for a safer and fairer county:

- ▶ We're aligned with the Labour mayoral candidate's **commitment to the community**.
- ▶ Create more **community hubs**.
- ▶ Support **local entrepreneurs** through grant funding.
- ▶ **Act on the root causes of poverty** based on a clear strategy. Support income maximisation and reduce the need for hand-outs.
- ▶ Work with the Labour government to review **armed forces** accommodation.
- ▶ **More visible policing** working with the mayor to make sure the police and crime commissioner addresses antisocial behaviour and domestic abuse.



COMBATTING CLIMATE CHANGE

Delivering our promises:

- ✓ Completed the first stage of the **Cambridgeshire Flood Mitigation** Programme.
- ✓ Extra £5m of funding to **repair and reconstruct soil affected roads** damaged by peat shrinkage.
- ✓ **Enhanced biodiversity across open spaces and schemes** such as Arbury Town Park and Lower Valley Farm, Fulbourn.
- ✓ **Cut bills** such as with the heat network at Swaffham Prior that ends the reliance on oil.
- ✓ **Generated income** through solar schemes at North Angle solar farm near Soham, solar panels at St Ives and Babraham Road Park and Ride sites.



We will care for our county's environment:

- ▶ **Local communities will benefit from climate change projects.** For example, job creation.
- ▶ **Reduce emissions and cut bills** by ending rural household dependence on oil-fired boilers.
- ▶ **Support open spaces county-wide:** footpaths, nature reserves.
- ▶ Push on with projects for **flood affected roads** such as Little Paxton/St Neots.
- ▶ Fast-track plans by Anglian Water and the Environment Agency for a new **fen reservoir** between Chatteris and March, and a pipeline from Grafham Water.
- ▶ We are on track to deliver a **net-zero council by 2030** and for Cambridgeshire by 2045.

BRINGING COMPASSION TO THE COUNCIL'S OPERATIONS

Delivering our promises:

- ✓ Improved staff terms and conditions. In particular **paying the Real Living Wage** which is higher than the national minimum wage. And **we insist that contractors pay this too.**
- ✓ **Divested from fossil fuels** and from business that are harmful to the environment. We prefer sustainable investments.
- ✓ Used the power of our shareholdings to **hold companies to account on environmental, social and governance issues.**
- ✓ Turned the deficit on the pension fund into a surplus. Ensuring all members of the Cambs pension scheme get the **pension to which they are entitled.**



We will use the Council's power for fairness:

- ▶ Support the Labour government's initiatives to have more pension fund money **invested in local businesses.**
- ▶ The Council spends over **£600 million a year on goods, services, and works.** We want to buy from local companies and those with good employment records.
- ▶ Give more consideration to **human rights in our investment decisions.**
- ▶ Keep up the pressure afforded to shareholders by **challenging companies on their ethical policies** especially for workers' rights and against oppressive regimes.

ON THURSDAY 1 MAY VOTE FOR YOUR LABOUR CAMBRIDGESHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL CANDIDATES

ABBEY
Thomas Ron

**ALCONBURY &
KIMBOLTON**
Harry Denman

ARBURY
Mike Black

BAR HILL
Simon Patenall

**BRAMPTON &
BUCKDEN**
Stuart Holder

BURWELL
Clive Leach

CASTLE
Elizabeth
McWilliams

CHATTERIS
Jamie Eames

CHERRY HINTON
Bryony Goodliffe

CHESTERTON
Jocelynne Scutt

**COTTENHAM &
WILLINGHAM**
Tom Hingston

DUXFORD
Clare Downie

ELY NORTH
Tom Lacy

ELY SOUTH
Sarah Fraser

FULBOURN
Tim Andrews

GAMLINGAY
John Goodall

**GODMANCHESTER &
HUNTS SOUTH**
Bill Hennessy

HARDWICK
Joe Beastall

**HISTON &
IMPINGTON**
Will Mason

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& HARTFORD**
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Sam Wakeford

KINGS HEDGES
Elisa Meschini

LINTON
Mike Murray

LITTLEPORT
Rebecca Denness

**LONGSTANTON,
NORTHSTOWE & OVER**
Michael Gilks

**MARCH NORTH &
WALDERSEY**
Martin Field

**MARCH NORTH &
WALDERSEY**
Hannah Orbell

**MARCH SOUTH
& RURAL**
Peter Bimson

MARKET
Nick Gay

**MELBOURN &
BASSINGBOURN**
Stacey Wilson-Davies

NEWNHAM
Yvonne Nobis

**PAPWORTH &
SWAVESEY**
Basma Greef

PETERSFIELD
Richard Howitt

QUEEN EDITH'S
Janet O'Keefe

RAMSEY & BURY
Sebastian O'Keefe

**ROMAN BANK &
PECKOVER**
Amanda Hirson

ROMSEY
Neil Shailer

**SAWSTON &
SHELFORD**
Uroga Okello

**SAWSTON &
SHELFORD**
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**SOHAM SOUTH &
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Rosaleen Plaistow

**SOMERSHAM &
EARITH**
Dan Mayhew

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Sajjad Khan

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Alex Bulat

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Harvey Woodhouse

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PARK & LITTLE PAXTON**
Judith Tustian

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Ruberta Bisson

SUTTON
Dominic Myers

**THE HEMINGFORDS &
FENSTANTON**
Rashid Mahmood

TRUMPINGTON
Carlos Toranzos

**WARBOYS & THE
STUKELEYS**
Ambrose Ntuk

WATERBEACH
James Bull

WHITTLESEY NORTH
Angela Howe

WHITTLESEY SOUTH
Katharine Bultitude

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WISBECH WEST
George Broughton

WOODDITTON
Steve O'Dell

YAXLEY & FARCET
Steve King

AND VOTE ANNA SMITH, LABOUR & CO-OPERATIVE, FOR MAYOR

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