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Bedroom
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Time to Care for Our NHS

The whole country fears for the future of our NHS. Labour will rescue the shattered NHS. We will bring privatised services back into the NHS and repair the services broken by Tory policies.

To get a health service which serves the people of Britain we will recruit 20,000 more nurses, 8,000 more GPs, 5,000 more care workers and 3,000 midwives by 2020.

To pay for this there will be a "Mansion Tax", a levy on tobacco companies and a crack down on corporate tax avoiders.

The NHS must be there for everyone when they need it.

This government has let down the public and run down the NHS. To rebuild we need to integrate health and social care services, guarantee access to a GP within 48 hours and improve mental health services.

The Tories NHS reforms have been a very expensive disaster for the British people - but private health care firms with Tory links have profited through NHS contracts worth nearly £1.5 billion.

Even senior Tories now admit that the Health and Social Care Act was "a big mistake". The act has cost an estimated £3 billion and caused "profound and intense" damage.

"Rather than listening to the concerns of patients, the public and frontline staff who vigorously opposed the top-down reorganisation, politicians shamefully chose to stick their head in the sand and plough on regardless." said Mark Porter, chairman of the British Medical Association's governing council.

We will give
our NHS:

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NHS

**"No cuts to
front-line
services"**

David Cameron,
just before the
last election.

5,870 NHS nurses, 7,968 hospital beds, a third of ambulance stations, 5,362 firefighters and 6,800 frontline police officers have been cut.

Born in Salford

Salford Labour is fighting to keep babies born in Salford.

The local Clinical Commissioning Group - one of the new NHS bodies - is considering options for the maternity unit at Salford Royal hospital. One of the options is to close the unit. This will mean no more babies born in Salford.

The city has already lost the Pendlebury children's hospital. Neo natal care and full time maternity care was closed at Hope Hospital and now the midwifery unit is under threat.

*We want babies
Born in Salford*

Our campaign, Born in Salford, is trying to save the unit through petitioning and raising awareness of the very real possibility of closure.

Please show your support by signing our petition and completing the survey at: www.salfordlabour.org.uk

"Labour created the NHS. It has served our country well for sixty six years - but now it is under threat.

Labour will lead the fight to protect an NHS that puts people before profits"

Andy Burnham,
shadow health secretary.



Salford Labour Voice

Winter 2014



Refurbishment of Irlam Station

We are delighted that planning permission has now been given for this development which includes: redevelopment of the station house; a new waiting room and toilets; a free 60 place car park with cctv; provision of a cafe bar; secure cycle parking; and agreement in principle for the provision of a ramp on the Liverpool bound platform which should be completed in 2015.



Councillor John Walsh at Irlam station

This work, most of which should be completed by mid-2015, will transform the travelling experience both for people going out of the district and for those increasing numbers of people who are now coming on the train to Irlam & Cadishead to work. This scheme has been made possible by a

unique partnership involving: Salford City Council; Transport for Greater Manchester (TfGM); Network Rail, Northern Rail and the Hamilton Davies Trust who have worked extremely hard together to overcome many problems in order to deliver this exciting project.

Support for local groups

The Labour Party in Irlam & Cadishead is committed to empowering local groups to campaign to improve the community in which we all live. We believe that local people should wherever possible lead on these issues which often concern their specific area.

During the last twelve months we have been happy to support Astley Road and Springfield Lane residents and the Caroline and Dixon Street group (CADS) as they have fought against proposals to build houses either on green belt land or play areas for children – we must remain united so that all future applications which could damage our children’s heritage of an area surrounded by green belt is robustly opposed by a majority of our community;

the Bradburn Road residents; the Irlam & Cadishead Regeneration Group which consists of Councillors and representatives from the City Council and Hamilton Davies Trust and is making brilliant progress in their attempts to green the Liverpool Road Corridor, the Friends of Princes Park, Cadishead Public Band who have been trying to find a new base for their increasingly successful band, and parents against the closure of the Children's Centres in the district.

We will continue to support improvements in our community and look to local residents to highlight their concerns so that together we can make Irlam & Cadishead a better place to live.

Irlam & Cadishead College worries

You will no doubt have heard of the forthcoming early retirement of the Headteacher at the College and also of the very disappointing recent GCE results. The local Labour Party has always supported the College and is very keen to see our children succeed to the best of their abilities. Unfortunately over the last few years this has not been the case even though with the opening of the brand new school everyone had high hopes. About two years ago, when there was a proposal from the school to become an Academy, we raised doubts about the results that were being obtained by students and clearly this situation has not improved.

Irlam & Cadishead Labour Party and all Local Councillors are prepared to work with the school at this difficult time and hope that our community will give the school its backing so that from January 2015 there can be a new start on raising standards at the school and also the aspirations of our children. We owe them nothing less.

We are on your side



Fire station success

We are very pleased to report that after sustained lobbying by local Councillors, the Community Committee and the Fire Brigades Union a decision to bring fire-crews from Eccles to answer calls in the Irlam & Cadishead area has been rescinded. The FBU have expressed their thanks to all involved in the campaign. One further example that when we work together as a community we can make a difference.

photo: Councillor Jimmy Hunt at the new station



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Stadium News

Irlam & Cadishead Labour Party support the continuing council investment in the Stadium which is already paying dividends as the money is being repaid with interest and the Stadium is making good profits from all the events being run there. The performance of the Stadium was praised by the Manchester Evening News in June and our location is well placed with in Greater Manchester to capitalise on the city-region's economic growth, in bringing jobs, investment and tourism to our city.

We understand the horror many feel at the impact of the Tory led Governments cuts to Salford City Council's budget, now more than £100 million in the last 4 years, and another £56 million to come in the next two years. It is however clear that under Local Government rules the money invested in this 2013 agreement could not have been used to alleviate the effect of a single Government cut to much needed services in Salford. To pretend, as the Tories and others have done, that it could have prevented the loss of some services is a cruel deception and plainly wrong.

Our political opponents in the City over the years have criticized our investments in new colleges, new leisure centres, new roads, Salford Quays and Media City, the Lowry Theatre and Manchester Airport. Yet all have brought successes to the City of Salford through continued economic growth and reinvestment.

Don't Fall Prey to Loan Sharks

Salford Labour Party supports Ian Stewarts campaign to fight back on behalf of those suffering the most from loan sharks.

Unfortunately there is money to be made from poverty. This government's actions on austerity, especially their use of benefit sanctions, are bringing out the unscrupulous loan sharks that prey on the poor.

The campaign will direct people in need to decent alternatives for loans, help and advice and a confidential phone number to report unscrupulous loan sharks.

Councillor Stephen Ord said "Illegal loan sharks are parasites that prey on the most vulnerable in our society for their own gain, we need to continue to all work together to put a stop to it!"



Local issues

There are a number of issues which affect our district and we need to remain vigilant to ensure that the interests of local people are prioritised. Currently we are involved with: Port Salford: the new gas fired power station at Carrington; the success of the newly transferred Youth Service provision at the Leisure Centre; improving the look of the Marge & Steel roundabout in Cadishead; developing ideas for the re-development of both Cadishead Park and the regeneration of the former Cadishead Recreation Centre; and supporting the setting up of a Sports Forum in the area as well as continuing to seek ways to provide more sports facilities or sites for recreation in the district.



While the Conservative-led Government claim they have improved our economy, the reality for people in Worsley and Eccles South is that their earnings are down £1,600 a year. Ordinary working families are losing tax credits and will be almost £1,000 worse off due to tax and benefit changes brought in by Conservative and Liberal Democrat Ministers since 2010.

At the same time, the top one per cent of earners have been given a £3 billion tax cut. For a millionaire, this tax cut is worth an average of £100,000. Before the 2010 General Election George Osborne claimed he would not cut the top rate of tax while he asked public sector workers to accept pay restraint. But that is exactly what he did do.

Conservative and Liberal Democrat Ministers also introduced the cruel and unjust Bedroom Tax. This unfair charge hits 1,700 households in Worsley and Eccles South and 5,000 across Salford. For most of those people affected there is nowhere smaller to move to, so people have had to find over £700 extra to pay the charge. I recently brought in a measure to exempt carers from the Bedroom Tax but Conservative MPs spoke against my Bill. Labour has pledged to scrap the Bedroom Tax if we are elected in 2015.

Under the Conservative-led Government work doesn't always pay. Half of working age people living below the poverty line are in working households as well as two thirds of all children living in poverty. Labour will tackle low pay by supporting contracts to Make Work Pay under the Living Wage Campaign. Labour has also pledged to lift the Minimum Wage to £8 an hour during the next Parliament.

Barbara Keeley MP

Postal Voting

Do you have mobility problems or do not leave your home very often?

Do you work away from home or work shifts?

There are many reasons why you may not be able to go to the Polling Station at the next election, don't lose your vote, you can apply for a postal vote.

If you would like to apply please contact your councilors or Chris Williams on 0161 775 6835 and we'll get an application form to you.

Are you on the Electoral Register? if your not you wont be able to vote at the next election. Phone the Elections Office 793 3195 to find out if you are registered to vote and if your not ask for a "Elector Registration Form"



To join the Labour Party please visit:

www.labour.org.uk/join
or call 0845 092 22 99

to find out more about the labour party in Salford go to www.salfordlabour.org.uk

From Welfare to Work

We want to build a Britain that rewards hard work, not just privilege, and ensures the next generation does better than the last. Labour will reduce the countries welfare bill by reducing the need for benefits with people in work. We will make sure there are jobs - you can't force anyone into a job that doesn't exist.

Tories say it is a failure of the benefits system to reward work. By contrast, we say it is the inadequate provision of work itself. Welfare to work requires there to be work.

When the jobs are there we will make sure there is proper training to give people the skills needed to get a job.

Labour's Cost of Living Contract

- Freeze gas and electricity bills until 2017 and reform the energy market
- Get 200,000 homes built a year by 2020
- Stop families that rent being ripped off and help them plan for the future with new long term predictable tenancies
- Cut income tax for hardworking people and introduce a 50p top rate of tax
- Ban zero hour contracts
- Make work pay by strengthening the minimum wage
- Back small businesses by cutting business rates and reforming the banks
- Help working parents with 25 hours free child care for three and four year olds
- Tackle the abuse of migrant labour to undercut wages by banning recruitment agencies only hire foreign workers and pressing for strong controls in Europe
- Back the next generation with the job guarantee for the young unemployed and more apprenticeships
- Scrap The 'bedroom tax'

Making Immigration Work

The Labour Party recognises that immigration has benefited this country enormously in the past. People have come from abroad to work in our NHS and other public services and contribute to this country. But we know that people have legitimate concerns about immigration policy and reforms are needed. We will make sure that immigration is properly controlled and managed. Labour will address the impact on jobs, wages and communities and make the system fairer for all.

A Labour government would:

Strengthen Britain's border controls, introduce new border checks and visa enforcement to tackle illegal immigration, stop abuse and manage the level of migration.

Bring in tough new laws to stop agencies and employers exploiting cheap migrant labour to undercut wages and jobs - making exploitation a crime and stopping agencies who recruit only foreign workers.

Introduce a smarter system for different kinds of immigration instead of the Government's failed targets.

Make sure people who come to this country do learn English.

Bring in fairer rules to make clear people are contributing to Britain - so that new arrivals don't claim benefits and make sure it is easier to deport those who commit crimes.

Reform European free movement of labour so there are longer controls when new countries join, stronger employment protection, restrictions on benefits and restrictions on foreign criminals

This Government's approach is not working. They have failed to meet their own targets of net migration and have done nothing to deal with dodgy firms who exploit migrant labour to undercut workers.

And UKIPs proposals won't work either. They would isolate the UK from Europe, making it harder to stop illegal immigration and tackle the crisis at Calais. It would be harder to deport foreign criminals or stop them entering because they would abolish the European Arrest Warrant. UKIP would not be able to stop dodgy firms exploiting immigration to undercut wages and jobs because they would cut employment rights.

Investing in Salford

Salford's population is on the rise after eighty years of decline. That's why we need to invest in our future. We need jobs, housing and schools and a better environment for us all.

Media City at Salford Quays has created 5,000 jobs from the 150 businesses now based there - and 200 more BBC jobs on the way soon.

The Lowry continues to be a great success story with visitor numbers up 12% this year and the original investment of £116 million has generated £1.4 billion of public and private investment in Salford Quays.

The investment in Port Salford and the AJ Bell stadium is transforming that area with thousands of jobs coming as well as road, rail and waterway links.

In central Salford we are getting new employment opportunities from the Premier Inn on Bailey St., the office block with new shops and public space which has just received planning permission. At Greengate new office and residential space is planned, with hotels, restaurants, bars and retail spaces.

180 new homes have been built in Broughton and the Pendleton Together project set to create 1,600 new homes and refurbish 1,250 existing properties. The

Vimto gardens development with apartments and town houses is already attracting a lot of interest from potential buyers.

With the number of apprenticeships up by 8% and more than 50 employers signing up to the Salford Standard - the City Mayors Charter which includes a living wage, employment prospects for younger people are looking up.

Creating a future for any city in Britain under the austerity of this government, but in Salford we are bucking the trend with innovative ideas and forward thinking to make sure the next generation has something to build on.

You can trust Labour with the economy

There is a long standing myth that you can't, but this comes from the Tories and the Tory press.

The accusation that Labour wrecked the economy is wrong. The financial crisis in 2009 was a global crisis caused by the banks greed.

When the last Labour government came to power we were second worst in the G8 by 2013, after 13 years of Labour, we were second - Canada was the best.

This government's austerity measures

are wrecking our economy and our society. There will be nothing left the next generation. The fire sale will be complete if they get in again and then it will be too late.

Osborn talks of getting rid of the debt but since the end of the Second World War our economy has only been free of debt on four occasions, three of these under Labour governments.

You can trust Labour with the economy, you can trust Labour with the NHS and you can trust Labour to leave a legacy for the next generation.