

HILLINGDON CONSERVATIVES

PUTTING RESIDENTS FIRST

**The Conservative Manifesto for the London
Borough of Hillingdon Council Elections on
5 May 2022**



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A PERSONAL MESSAGE FROM THE LEADER OF HILLINGDON COUNCIL

Dear Resident

Local elections are not about national issues: they are about your Council and Councillors and the support they provide for local people.

Hillingdon Conservatives have an unparalleled record of achievement and we are happy to be judged on that record on the 5th May. Conservative Hillingdon Council continues to be recognised as one of the best councils in the country. It is financially strong and well managed and it continues to provide high quality services and the facilities that residents want.



The cost of living crisis will not only impact families, it will also impact the Council through inflation, energy costs and pay increases. You can trust us not to add to the pressure on household finances as we will continue to be a low tax Council with the lowest fees and charges in West London.

I have lived in Hillingdon since 1982 and there is no other place I would choose to live. The Borough's green and open spaces are the envy of other Boroughs and we will continue to protect and enhance them and will continue to oppose the third runway at Heathrow.

This election is about who is best able to run the Council to provide you with the services and facilities you want at the very best value. We have proven financial and business ability – but above all we value our people and are committed to help them achieve their aspirations and address their concerns. For us it really is about

"Putting Residents First"

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ian Edwards".

IAN EDWARDS

CONSERVATIVE LEADER, HILLINGDON COUNCIL

OUR PEOPLE

Our over-riding commitment is to Putting Residents First. This underpins everything we do as we recognise that our purpose is to serve you and no-one else. We will:



- Continue to support older residents with free swimming including lessons, free allotments, the Brown Badge scheme for the over 65s as well as support for Older People's clubs and associations.
- Provide free Telecare line service to residents over the age of 75
- Strengthen our enforcement team to better tackle nuisance and anti-social behaviour
- Continue to improve and extend our public CCTV to help keep you safe
- Work with our police colleagues to retain the police station in Uxbridge
- Build a minimum of 400 new affordable homes over the next 4 years
- Complete the Hayes Town regeneration project and begin a rolling programme of further housing improvements
- Ensure there are better opportunities for households to downsize
- Continue to provide events and activities for all age groups from Family the Fiesta summer programme to tea dances
- Ensure that every child in the borough, including those with special education needs, has a local school place
- Maintain the Tashan Daniel bursary scheme to help our young people achieve their ambitions in sport, culture and education
- Help our young people engage in local democracy through our continued support of our Youth Council
- Retain and promote the use of the Hillingdon First Card

OUR NATURAL ENVIRONMENT

Residents are entitled to access good parks and open spaces for their relaxation, exercise, play and well-being. Our stewardship of our natural environment must also strengthen our biodiversity and help improve air quality as well as oppose inappropriate development. We will:



- Continue to invest in our parks and open spaces and our in programme of upgrading our successful outdoor gyms, outside sports facilities and play areas
- Make better use of our roadside verges to increase biodiversity as well as helping to improve air quality
- Continue to provide floral displays in town centres and across the Borough
- Plant 500 trees a year across the borough and establish more wildflower and wetland areas.
- Establish solar farms on suitable Council land to reduce our carbon footprint
- Further develop the successful Chrysalis scheme, delivering £1m of community led environmental projects across the borough
- Maintain our opposition to a third runway at Heathrow
- Exert pressure on HS2 Ltd to mitigate the impact on our borough and to secure long-term environmental improvements alongside the route
- Maintain weekly waste collections, keeping the garden waste FREE, delivering improvements in flatted estates and increased food waste collection
- Maintain a free bulky waste collection service for older residents and keep charges to other residents below those of our neighbouring boroughs
- Extend our civic amenity site to encourage even more recycling
- Promise not to introduce an advance booking system to use our civic amenity sites

OUR BUILT ENVIRONMENT

Hillingdon now has some of the best community and leisure facilities in London and we intend to add to this through further investment including in our heritage assets. We will:

- Continue our investment in our schools to provide sufficient places for the expanding school population and our children with Special Educational Needs.
- Build new libraries in Yiewsley and Northwood Hills and remodel our libraries to better meet the needs of local communities
- Build the borough's 5th leisure centre in West Drayton
- Provide a new water & outdoor activity centre for use by HOAC
- Bring back into use the listed buildings and cellars in Cranford park to provide a visitor centre, café and new play area
- Continue to invest £6m each year in our roads and pavements, prioritising those linking communities to shops, leisure, and transport hubs
- Lobby TfL to improve the North/South transport links including an Elizabeth Line Express bus between West Drayton and Uxbridge.
- Work with our local Health partners to deliver a new 21st Century Hillingdon Hospital and local health clinics and facilities
- Maintain investment in our Town Centre's including a new master plan for Uxbridge to make it even more pedestrian friendly
- Support more sustainable travel by extending the Santander 'H' bike scheme
- Help more households charge their cars at home by introducing a 'Short drive' policy for smaller cars
- Deliver 200 more EV charging points providing practical support to those who are unable to park off street



OUR FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT



Over many years Council Tax has been frozen and since then increases have been kept as low as possible and below that of our neighbouring boroughs. Further efficiency savings are being made through the reduction of senior management, the transformation of services, using modern technology solutions to improve resident access to services. Our fees and charges will always be below that of our neighbouring boroughs and our parking fees will remain the cheapest in West London. We will:

- Keep our Council tax rises below that of our neighbouring boroughs
- Ensure households pay less in fees and charges than in our neighbouring boroughs
- Retain the lowest parking charges in West London
- Retain the Hillingdon First Card with its parking discounts and other benefit
- Reduce by £1m the cost of senior management
- Continue with our Business Improvement Programme to deliver further efficiency savings
- Always maintain our reserves above the recommended minimum of £20m
- Continue to provide financial support to voluntary sector groups in the Borough.
- Continue funding for the ward budget scheme enabling councillors to support communities at a very local level with financial assistance.

THE CHOICE AT THIS ELECTION

On the **5th May** the choice for Hillingdon residents is between a party with the proven track record of sound financial and management ability and one that is at war with itself and is reliant on national issues to avoid direct comparison with Hillingdon Conservatives?



Labour have peddled false stories to residents in an attempt to gain their support. Yiewsley Recreation Ground will not be built on but they persist in spreading this falsehood. They have no answer to Hillingdon Conservatives securing £75m in Government funding for our children with Special Education Needs and so they spread the lie clearly disproven by our public budget reports that we are in deficit and about to go bust. You cannot trust what they say.

It is easy to forget the state of Hillingdon when Labour were last in power:

- X A Council Tax increase of 12%.*
- X A budget with a projected shortfall of £13million.*
- X Green belt areas from Hillingdon House Farm to Yiewsley Recreation Ground, and numerous allotment sites threatened by building schemes.*
- X No provision for replacing out of date facilities.*
- X Falling standards of service throughout the Borough.*

There is simply not a credible alternative in Hillingdon amongst the smaller parties and individuals seeking election, particularly at a time when strong leadership and financial management is required.

The choice is yours - keep going forward with Hillingdon Conservatives or risk going backwards with a vote for any other party.



YOUR CONSERVATIVE COUNCIL CANDIDATES



BELMORE

**CAMERON BELL
JOHN MORGAN
ISABEL RODRIGUES**

CHARVILLE

**TEJI BARNES
DARRAN DAVIES**

COLHAM & COWLEY

**SHEHRYAR AHMAD-WALLANA
ROY CHAMDAL
EKTA GOHIL**

EASTCOTE

**NICK DENYS
IAN EDWARDS
BECKY HAGGAR**

HAREFIELD VILLAGE

JANE PALMER

HAYES TOWN

**LAUREN DAVIES
TRISTAN PAHL
TAF SOWE**

HEATHROW VILLAGES

**DANIEL SYDENHAM
CHRISTINE TAYLOR**

HILLINGDON EAST

**WAYNE BRIDGES
ALAN CHAPMAN
COLLEEN SULLIVAN**

HILLINGDON WEST

**ADAM BENNETT
REETA CHAMDAL**

ICKENHAM & SOUTH HAREFIELD

**KAUSHIK BANERJEE
EDDIE LAVERY
MARTIN GODDARD**

NORTHWOOD

**HENRY HIGGINS
RICHARD LEWIS**

NORTHWOOD HILLS

**KISHAN BHATT
JONATHAN BIANCO**

PINKWELL

**ROSIE GIDDINGS
ALLAN KAUFFMAN
DARREN UPJOHN**

RUISLIP

**PHILIP CORTHORNE
JOHN RILEY
PETER SMALLWOOD**

RUISLIP MANOR

**DOUGLAS MILLS
SUSAN O'BRIEN**

SOUTH RUISLIP

**HEENA MAKWANA
RICHARD MILLS
STEVE TUCKWELL**

UXBRIDGE

**KEITH BURROWS
FARHAD CHOUBEDAR
RANJEET RATHORE**

WEST DRAYTON

**HANNA ALI
SANJIV BISNAUTHSING
KELLY MARTIN**

WOOD END

**NICOLA BRIGHTMAN
REVA GUDI
DAVID YARROW**

YEADING

**KELLY BRIDGES
CHRISTOPHER SMALLWOOD**

YIEWSLEY

**JAMES CANTWELL
ALAN DEVILLE**