

**Delivering a borough where there are
opportunities for all**

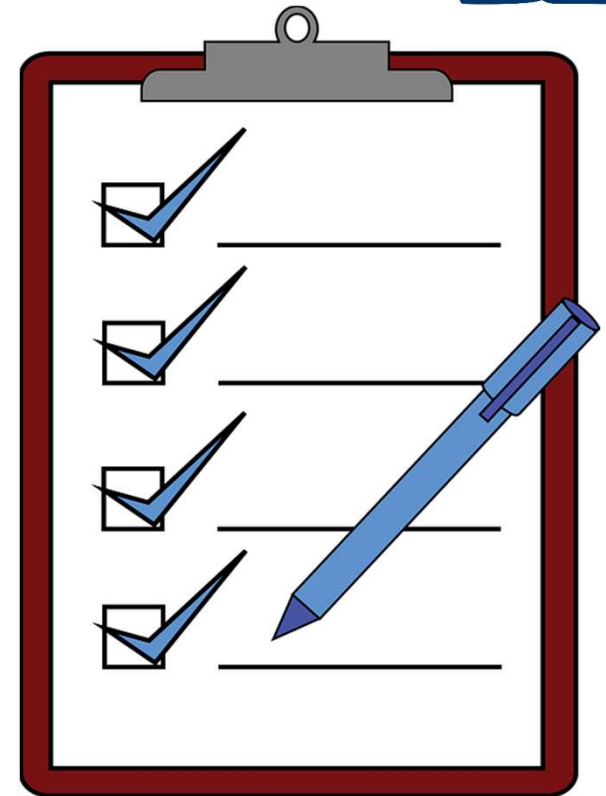
Enfield Conservatives

Manifesto 2018



Our Key Priorities

- Listen and respond to residents' concerns
- Deliver a value for money, low tax council focussed on front line services
- Keep our streets clean and tidy – fly tipping will not be tolerated
- Protect and enhance our Borough's open spaces and the Green Belt
- Deliver a school place for every child by supporting new secondary schools and expanding existing ones
- Deliver new affordable homes for sale and rent
- Invest in our high streets and town centres to reduce empty shops
- Work with the Police to tackle crime and anti-social behaviour
- Deliver a Borough of opportunity for all by encouraging inward investment and creating new jobs



Value for money



- Deliver a value for money, low tax council
- Run an efficient council focussed on front line services
- Work with the Government on its review of council funding to obtain a fairer deal for Enfield
- Ensure those who claim benefits are entitled to them and crack down on fraudulent claims
- Improve members' ability to scrutinise decisions and hold the Council to account
- We will always remember "council money" is your money



An Accessible Council



- Put your requirements and concerns at the heart of what Enfield Council does
- Provide a dedicated telephone number for vulnerable and elderly people to enable them to speak directly to an officer
- Improve the Council's website to make it easier for you to use
- Overhaul the call centre to provide a service that meets your needs
- Improve customer response times
- Expand the use of social media to enable you to log enquiries and complaints more easily



Environment



- Deliver a weekly refuse, recycling and green waste collection service
- Halt new cycle lanes and undertake a review of the A105 to improve health and safety
- Review the Quieter Neighbourhood Scheme and continue with projects only where there is clear public support for them
- Use innovative methods to improve street cleaning
- Enforce zero tolerance on fly tipping and littering - prosecute those who flout the law
- Work with and support our voluntary groups to protect and improve our parks & open spaces
- Plant 2018 trees across the borough
- Enhance our green spaces by introducing a pocket parks scheme
- Increase the number of electric charging points to encourage more residents to move to electric vehicles
- Improve the standards of our roads and pavements



Children & Young People



- Support schools to raise educational standards
- Improve choice for parents by supporting new academies who wish to invest in our Borough
- Deliver a school place for every child and prepare for the shortfall in secondary school places
- Provide the very best support to young people in care and with special needs
- Improve access for young people in need of mental health services
- Support families to stay together – placing children in care should be a last resort
- Introduce a dedicated scrutiny panel for young people



Community and Leisure Services



- Re-open the historic Enfield Highway library and obtain better premises for Southgate Library
- Maintain and support our existing libraries
- Enhance the range and quality of events at Forty Hall, Millfield Theatre and the Dugdale Centre
- Strive to deliver improved, high class facilities at our leisure centres.
- Bring back the community festivals programme to make people proud of where they live. Reintroduce the Town Park Fireworks display and support the St Georges's Day event.
- Tackle obesity and diabetes by providing opportunities for young people and adults to take more exercise



Keeping People Safe

- Double the number of council funded Police Officers on the street
- Campaign to re-open Enfield and Southgate Police Stations
- Urge the Police to use body cameras for stop and search to reduce knife crime and keep young people safe
- Oppose the Labour Mayor of London's plan for Enfield to share a borough commander with Haringey and merge both forces
- Tackle gang related crime and anti-social behaviour by effective joint working between the Police, the Council and other agencies



High Streets & Town Centres

- Create an empty shops task force to secure more investment in our high streets
- Provide 30 minutes pop & shop parking bays in all shopping areas.
- Support and assist small businesses to grow and celebrate the Small Business Saturday initiative each year
- Run campaigns to encourage residents to shop locally
- Facilitate investment in our commercial and industrial estates along the Lee valley
- Provide Christmas lighting in key high street locations in Edmonton, Enfield, Palmers Green and Southgate.



A Borough of Opportunity for all



- Work with businesses to create the right conditions for further job creation. Support regular jobs fairs.
- Increase the number of apprenticeship and graduate places at Enfield Council and other large employers locally
- Create an Enterprise Zone/Business Development Districts in the eastern part of the Borough to kick start regeneration and further unlock Enfield's economic potential
- Campaign to upgrade and improve the Borough's train and Tube services
- Support Crossrail 2 coming to Enfield



Housing

- Prohibit residential development in the Green Belt
- Accelerate the delivery of new affordable housing for sale and rent on council estates and brownfield sites.
- Make starting the construction of new homes at Meridian Water in Edmonton a priority
- Generate additional grant for new affordable homes in Edmonton by delivering a second housing zone
- Deliver new affordable homes on the vacant sites at Forty Hill and Holtwhites Hill as a matter of urgency
- Prioritise the completion of the stalled residential sites at Parsonage Lane, Lavender Hill, Tudor Rd and Jasper Close as a matter of urgency
- Stop the purchase of private housing by the Council.



Adult Social Care



- The safeguarding of vulnerable adults will be our top priority
- Help elderly residents who wish to remain in their own homes
- Invest in good quality care homes across the Borough and ensure they are delivered on time
- Provide support and respite for those caring for the elderly
- Work with the Over 50's Forum and Age UK to ensure the Council listens and responds to the concerns of Enfield's older residents
- Support the local voluntary sector to provide high quality care for Enfield's vulnerable elderly residents
- Work with the local NHS to ensure that hospital discharges for the elderly are managed effectively with proper care and support



A Healthier Enfield



- Reduce obesity in adults and children by encouraging the use of our leisure centres and healthy eating
- Deliver a targeted communications campaign to reduce the number of people smoking and provide support services to those who give up smoking
- Support our NHS partners in promoting appropriate vaccinations for children and adults
- Commission comprehensive sexual health services including contraceptive advice
- Reduce health inequalities across the Borough
- Work with partners to ensure the commissioning and provision of public health care is of high quality, appropriate to the needs of the community and gives good value for money



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