INVESTING IN OUR TOWN AND OUR PEOPLE

Protecting front-line emergency services

Rugby Labour opposes cuts to front-line emergency services.

With fire safety in our high-rise blocks an increasing priority, our plans for the town centre ensure that fire and ambulance services remain rapidly accessible to all the communities of Rugby.

By relocating public services into modern, accessible premises and freeing up land for housing, shops, businesses and public open space, Rugby Labour’s plans for our town centre secure space for Rugby’s fire, ambulance and police services into the future.

Rugby residents shouldn’t see essential services being eaten away by cuts. We’ve already seen our local courts close and the police station now has limited public reception facilities. We’re determined to develop our vision for Rugby to defend our town against further reductions in services.

Our plans are more than self-funding. By freeing up existing public buildings and making more efficient use of Rugby Borough Council’s existing estate, Rugby Labour’s plans actually save money and encourage inward investment.

We want to work with Rugby businesses and residents and properly engage to develop more of a strategic vision, where people get a say on what can be done and should be done. With a strong voice, we can push for this to be the future for Rugby.

GP and hospital services for Rugby

Many local people are shocked that, despite our growing population, Rugby’s GP services are barely maintaining capacity and the facilities at St Cross Hospital are limited.

Rugby’s Labour Councillors have campaigned tirelessly for enhanced GP surgery facilities. Councillors Claire Edwards (Leader of the Labour Group on Rugby council), Ramesh Srivastava (Newbold and Brownsover) and Alan Webb (Benn Division, Warks County Council) are delighted that the £2.3million Brownsover Medical Centre is now under construction. We continue to press for improved community health facilities across the borough. In particular, we believe that GP provision should be addressed within all significant local housing developments, to avoid pressure on our already overstretched infrastructure.

Labour also pledges to fight for increased facilities at St Cross Hospital, where we know the lack of accessible A&E and maternity services affects local people. Where it is clinically safer for Rugby people to be treated at UHCW, we will lobby for improved ambulance services, patient and public transport.

A new council for a renewed Rugby
**Refreshing our Town Centre**

While out-of-town shopping centres are thriving, Rugby’s town centre and many of our small businesses are struggling.

Rugby Labour’s vision for our town centre frees up land for housing, shops, businesses and public open space.

Rugby residents shouldn’t have to settle for second best. Local businesses need an environment that encourages them to thrive. All this is possible and affordable. All it takes is the bold vision that Rugby Labour can bring to the Council.

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**Protecting the next generation's future**

Labour will develop a new strategy for young people in Rugby Borough to enable them to thrive, including:

- Expanding community projects which give meals in school holidays to children who receive free school meals.
- Ensuring affordable bus services for young people.
- Continuing to oppose the Conservatives’ decision to close children’s centres in Rugby.
- Developing our parks and green spaces as places where children can play and take part in sport.
- Promoting alternative methods of transport to make sure our children grow up breathing clean air.
- Applying for funding to expand educational spaces in the town so children can access more great resources.

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**The Team To Deliver Our Promise**

Rugby Labour has candidates standing across Rugby wards. From long-serving councillors to local community activists, they all have one thing in common. They are local, Rugby people.

Labour candidates know about the pressures on our local services because they rely on them too. They are parents whose children go to local schools; patients of our local GP services; shoppers who rely on our town centre; employees and local business owners who work hard to make our economy thrive.

They’ve seen the effect of cuts to local services on the most vulnerable. They want the very best for Rugby and they’re standing up to make a difference for everyone.

Find out about your local candidate at www.rugbylabour.co.uk

Loving the Labour Vision for Rugby? Every vote counts.

Please vote Labour on 3rd May.