

# Luisa Porritt's plan to...

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**Luisa Porritt**  
For Mayor of London

# BACK LOCAL BUSINESSES

## Luisa demands urgent action on jobs

Luisa Porritt has demanded urgent action from the Government to provide businesses with the support they need.

The Liberal Democrat Mayoral candidate has been listening to local businesses that have been hit hard by the impact of Covid-19.

She has called for business rates relief to be extended and for more financial help for workers who have been left out of the furlough scheme.

The challenger to Sadiq Khan also has big ideas for London's recovery.

**"We can reinvent our high streets"**



Lib Dem Mayoral candidate, Luisa Porritt (centre), and London Assembly candidates, Hina Bokhari (left) and Claire Bonham (right), have a plan to reinvent the high street

Luisa's plan includes investment to reinvent local high streets. She said:

"Investing in London's high streets will kickstart our city's recovery, creating local jobs and revitalising the heart of our communities."

"We need shared working spaces, more places to eat, drink and shop, and other local services like childcare."

"Under my leadership, we can reinvent our high streets so they are fit for the future."

# LUISA: HOPE IS ON THE HORIZON

*As the impact of Covid-19 takes its toll on Londoners, the vaccine rollout and a chance to reshape our city for the better gives us hope*



Lib Dem Luisa Porritt is the new challenger to Mayor Sadiq Khan and has a message of hope for the future

**By Luisa Porritt, Liberal Democrat candidate for Mayor of London**

It's been an incredibly tough time. Many Londoners have sadly lost loved ones to Covid-19. Many of us have been isolated from family and friends. Jobs and livelihoods have been lost too.

I stay hopeful knowing vaccines are on the way, and that it will become safe to spend time with those we're closest to again.

Tougher restrictions have brought fresh uncertainty. We worry about our jobs and businesses, what and who else we will lose to the pandemic.

We worry about problems that existed before this crisis, such as how hard it is to live in an expensive city like London and the impact of our way of life on our planet.

But I know London is resilient. Our city is at its best when it confronts big change head on. With the right leadership, I know our recovery can be strong.

However hard it is, please stay at home and hold on a little longer. Take time to look after yourself and check in on others where you can.

Hope is on the horizon, and many brighter days lie ahead.

# CLADDING SCANDAL

## Londoners stuck in potentially worthless and unsafe homes

**Liberal Democrats have been standing up for leaseholders across London in their battle against unsafe homes and financial ruin.**

More than three years after the tragic fire at Grenfell, there are still over 2,000 buildings with flammable and dangerous cladding in London. Northpoint in Bromley is just one where residents continue to live in an unsafe high rise tower.

Owners and leaseholders of low rise blocks are also caught up in this scandal. They find they are unable to sell or remortgage their flats - regardless of the height of their block - because lenders are insisting on hard-to-get External Wall System



Certificate (EWS1).

One of Luisa's key priorities as Mayor will be to ensure that every Londoner has a safe, high quality, and affordable home. Luisa and the London Lib Dems will continue to take action and speak up for Londoners affected by this scandal.

Join them in demanding the Government takes action to end the cladding scandal by signing our petition.

**Sign our petition:**  
[www.LondonLibDems.org.uk/cladding](http://www.LondonLibDems.org.uk/cladding)

## ARE BROMLEY'S OPEN SPACES SAFE?

### Consultation Fiasco

**Barely a day after closing the Open Space Consultation the councillor in charge was forced to issue a press statement denying that Bromley Council will be selling off our parks.**

Yet the strategy document told us that one of the challenges the council is facing is the need to "be brave enough to recognise when open space should be repurposed". It talked about the need to identify open spaces that require "reassignment (including development or disposal)". Exactly how it plans to do this is not revealed.

Over the past year Bromley residents, like everyone in the UK, have endured tough restrictions to contain the Covid-19 pandemic. For many, the only greenery accessible are their local parks and open spaces. And even for those with gardens, a walk in the park has become an invaluable routine.



We recognise now, more than ever, how important our local public spaces are to our mental health.

Left unchecked, this council could continue to force an agenda which could see open spaces facing "disposal" with a characteristic lack of consultation.

Bromley residents deserve a fresh, liberal voice in council prepared to challenge the overwhelming Tory majority.

## Getting through this together

### Your team making a difference for Londoners

**From City Hall to Parliament to local councils, Liberal Democrats are working hard to support Londoners through the pandemic.**

While there's light at the end of the tunnel, with vaccines being rolled out here in London, it's clear that we're going to be facing restrictions for some time still.

If you're struggling, don't wait to ask for help, ask now. As difficult as it is, we will get through this by working together as a community.

Lib Dem Candidate for Mayor of London, Luisa Porritt, has been working hard to ensure all children can learn online.

She wrote to mobile network providers requesting they stopped charging for access to online learning sites like BBC bitesize.

Meanwhile, Lib Dem London Assembly Member Caroline Pidgeon has been working for survivors of domestic violence.

She met with the Deputy Mayor to pressure TfL to extend the Rail to Refuge Scheme, so victims can travel for free on any train.

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Domestic Violence

Solace Women's Aid  
0800 802 5565 [advice@solacewomensaid.org](mailto:advice@solacewomensaid.org)

Respect Men's Advice Line  
0808 8010 327 [info@mensadviceline.org.uk](mailto:info@mensadviceline.org.uk)

Tech help for homeschooling

You can apply for help with laptops and internet access by visiting:

[get-help-with-tech.education.gov.uk](http://get-help-with-tech.education.gov.uk)

Not sure? Contact us!

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