

PIONEERING, CONFIDENT & CONNECTED

The Bradford District
Labour Manifesto 2018

FOREWORD

Bradford has always been a pioneering district. Our heritage is built on the ground-breaking entrepreneurialism of industrialists like Titus Salt and Samuel Lister. In recent times this heritage has found new uses with modern day innovators like Jonathan Silver redeveloping Salts Mill and setting Saltaire on the road to becoming a UNESCO World Heritage Site, while the restoration of Lister Mills continues to make it fit for the 21st century.

It's not just our entrepreneurs who moved our country forward. Campaigners like Richard Oastler and Margaret McMillan pioneered social justice for children and led the way for their rights and education while our political forebears ensured Bradford Council was the first local authority in the country to introduce free school meals way back in 1906.

In an age of austerity, Bradford needs this pioneering spirit more than ever. Central government cuts have reduced our core government grant from £183 million in 2013/14 to nothing in 2020. Overall, we've had to cut £262 million from our budget since 2010 due to this government's ideological drive to cut services.

I realise that these are difficult times. People in Bradford work hard to make sure they can provide for their family. It can be difficult to find a good job which pays well enough and schools, GPs and hospitals are under strain because of the national austerity programme.

Despite the Tories' disregard for Northern cities, Bradford is still a big, powerful place. We are bigger than Liverpool, Newcastle and Bristol. We have the youngest population in the UK with almost 25% of our population under the age of 16. We have strong global links with 85% of our businesses trading internationally.

If we want to achieve our vision of a more prosperous and equal Bradford, where people who work hard and play by the rules have opportunities to get on in life, we need to grow our economy and work with business to create good jobs and improve the skills of our children and adults.

Our modern day pioneers are developing new digital technologies and software, creating world-class cuisine and exporting their businesses around the world. I want the young people in our city to join them as pioneers of the future.

A Labour-run Bradford Council will match that pioneering spirit with a social purpose, investing in our infrastructure to lay the foundations for growth, investing in skills to give people the confidence to create and take advantage of opportunities, and investing in our communities so people feel better connected to each other and the wider world.

We, in the Bradford District, have a pioneering history and we will use our pioneering spirit to build our future. We will move forward together with confidence.



**COUNCILLOR
SUSAN HINCHCLIFFE**
LEADER OF
BRADFORD COUNCIL

Susan Hinchcliffe

A LABOUR COUNCIL DELIVERING FOR BRADFORD DISTRICT

Since taking over Bradford Council in 2010 we have been forced to bear the brunt of Tory government austerity. We've worked hard to protect services across the district and at the same time we've pressed ahead with creative positive change for residents and businesses.

Even after the government cuts have halved the size of our budget, Bradford remains a big economy with great potential to grow. The council will have a budget of £338 million by 2020, in real terms half what it was in 2010. But we pledge to use every penny wisely to deliver across the whole district.

Here are just a few of the achievements we're most proud of, achievements realised by the whole Labour movement in Bradford, from councillors to members to trade unions:

✔ Support for Bradford Credit Union

“We're proud to be a long-standing supporter of Bradford District Credit Union. We provide a wide range of support to the credit union, including free office space and information points at all our libraries.”

CLLR CATH BACON
ANTI-POVERTY CHAMPION

✔ School results on the up

Bradford is the 4th most improved local authority area in England.

✔ Helping more people out of hospital faster

“We're the 5th best in the country at helping people out of hospital so older people can stay in their own home for longer.”

CLLR DOREEN LEE
OLDER PEOPLE'S CHAMPION

✔ Emergency Hardship Support

We have increased our support for people facing emergency hardship. We've expanded our emergency loan programme so people can buy white goods and have them installed as part of the same deal.

We've also introduced fuel voucher top-ups so people accessing foodbanks can receive other essential supplies such as toiletries as they try to get back on their feet.

✔ Record numbers attending culture and the arts

We opened a new gallery dedicated to David Hockney at Cartwright Hall, invested over £3m in Cliffe Castle in Keighley and attracted record numbers to the Bingley Music Live festival.

✔ Improved transport links

We've opened new train stations at Apperley Bridge and Low Moor and installed dedicated cycleways connecting Leeds and Bradford with a new one to Shipley on site. We're connecting people to jobs.

✔ A fresh start for those who need one

Our Fresh Start 4U service has supported over 100 ex-offenders, the vast majority of whom have gone on to employment or further skills training, giving them the opportunity to start afresh and contribute to society.

✔ Cleaning up our streets

We're getting tough on fly-tipping and littering and we're increasing recycling rates.

✔ Good jobs for the many, not the few

We've supported over 3,000 people into work through our pioneering Get Bradford Working programme.

✔ True Yorkshire Grit

We grit 62% of our highways, more than any other council in West Yorkshire.

✔ Delivering regeneration

Our city centre business rate support has won national awards. And Barclays Bank just named Bradford the best place in the country to start a business. We've helped create 600 jobs and bring 80 empty units back into use.

Now we've rolled out rates support to our towns like Keighley, Ilkley, Bingley and Shipley.

✔ Supporting the homeless

Our homelessness team supports over 360 rough sleepers every year, providing emergency accommodation and support, with many moving on to more secure and permanent accommodation. We have also invested £3.3m in building Jermyn Court and Clergy House, dedicated accommodation for those in need of supported housing.

✔ Delivering affordable housing

We have delivered our 200th council-built affordable home in partnership with Incommunities.

✔ Stronger communities

“We've reinforced Bradford as a place of welcome whoever you are. We delivered a hugely successful set of events to mark LGBT History Month, supported over 90 #moreincommon events in memory of Jo Cox MP and we've worked with the Holocaust Memorial Trust and Remembering Srebrenica to raise awareness and tackle hate.”

CLLR RICHARD DUNBAR
LGBT+ CHAMPION

OUR PLEDGES TO YOU

1. All children to share the same great opportunities whatever their background



WE WILL RECRUIT AND TRAIN THE BEST SCHOOL LEADERS, PROVIDE MORE SPACES FOR CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS AND DELIVER MORE SCHOOL PLACES.

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2. Close the health gap so people live longer, healthier lives



WE WILL SUPPORT PEOPLE TO STAY IN THEIR HOME FOR LONGER, INVEST IN FRONTLINE SOCIAL WORK AND IMPROVE AIR QUALITY.

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3. Put more money in people's pockets



WE WILL DELIVER MAJOR REGENERATION PROJECTS, EXPAND OUR PIONEERING JOBS PROGRAMME AND DELIVER MORE APPRENTICESHIPS.

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4. Celebrate our district's heritage and support its renewal



WE WILL ENSURE ACCESS TO SPORT, CULTURE AND ART FOR EVERYONE, ATTRACT MORE TOP EVENTS TO THE DISTRICT AND SUPPORT OUR SHARED HISTORY.

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5. Build pride in where we live



WE WILL TACKLE DANGEROUS DRIVING, KEEP OUR COMMUNITIES CLEAN AND CHAMPION THE DISTRICT AS A NEIGHBOURLY PLACE.

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6. Provide decent homes and support where it is needed for those who need it



WE WILL BUILD NEW AFFORDABLE HOMES, FOCUS FUNDING ON BROWNFIELD SITES AND SUPPORT PEOPLE TO GET OFF THE STREETS AND BUILD A FUTURE FOR THEMSELVES.

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All children to share the same great opportunities whatever their background.

Your Labour Council's achievements:

- » **School results on the up** – Bradford is the 4th most improved local authority area in England and around three-quarters of our primary schools and two-thirds of secondary schools are now rated good or outstanding.
- » **Confidence is growing** – one in three businesses now back our pioneering Education Covenant to create new opportunities for young people.
- » **Secured new funding** – our successful bid for £11.5m of Opportunity Area and Life Skills funding will improve education standards for children of all backgrounds.
- » **Protecting vulnerable children** – we have given the go-ahead for 360 additional special school places.
- » **Attracting the best school leaders and teachers** – our innovative teacher recruitment programme is securing new talent.

“I’m passionate about getting young people the skills and opportunities they need and deserve. That’s why as a Labour Group we’re investing in Industrial Centres of Excellence, Bradford Pathways and the Education Covenant to boost jobs and skills. As a woman who works in STEM [science, technology, engineering and maths] industry I want more young people in Bradford to have the opportunity to go into a rewarding career in STEM.”

CLLR ANGELA TAIT
STEM CHAMPION





Bradford Labour will:

- » **Recruit and retain the best school leaders** and teachers into the district.
- » **Provide 400 more specialist school places** for children with special educational needs and disabilities.
- » **Challenge and support schools** to ensure every child is taught in a good or outstanding learning environment.
- » **Make the case for lifelong learning** and support 48,000 residents to raise their skill levels to NVQ3 and above.
- » **Deliver new school places** where they are needed and ensure every child has fair access to schools.

Bradford is the 4th most improved local authority area in England for pupil Progress 8 scores at GCSE level. There has been a significant increase in the number of primary and secondary schools judged good or outstanding. Standards are improving, opportunities are increasing, good teachers are arriving and staying – thanks to the Labour Council supporting a school-led improvement model.

Young people are our future. With the right education and skills – and by being connected to the right opportunities – they will make this district a huge success. That’s why your Labour council will continue to invest in children and young people in spite of our shrinking budgets.

Since 2010, councils have lost £2.4 billion in funding for children’s services due to the government cuts and there will be a £2bn shortfall in children’s services by 2020. In spite of Tory Government cuts, there is a real buzz around education in the district. However we are clear results must improve faster right across the board.

We passionately believe in ensuring that all children get access to the best opportunities regardless of their background or where they live. Our belief in equality and social justice underpins our determination to raise standards and that’s why, through our pioneering Education Covenant, we are supporting businesses and volunteers in the community to play their part in making this district ripe with opportunity, with a culture of lifelong learning and improvement at its heart. And we want to see more parents involved in our schools supporting their children to excel.



Close the health gap so people live longer, healthier lives.

Your Labour Council's achievements:

- » **Helping more people out of hospital faster** – 5th best in the country at getting people out of hospital and supporting them at home or where they want to be.
- » **Protecting more children needing support** – we are looking after more children who need care and despite government cuts we have invested another £450,000 year in frontline social workers.
- » **Raising standards** – we achieved Good ratings for our children's homes and our work with other agencies to protect young people.
- » **Boosting childhood activity** – we're supporting more schools than ever before to walk the Daily Mile and we've secured Sport England funding of £10 million to promote physical activity.
- » **Reduced infant mortality** – we have worked with partners to improve maternal health and provide preventative support where it's needed.

“Our work to help keep people physically healthy has to go hand in hand with building mental resilience too. Mental health is fundamental to everyone's wellbeing so that's why I'm proud to champion it and work closely with our NHS partners on this crucial issue.”

CLLR FOZIA SHAHEEN
MENTAL HEALTH CHAMPION



“We are dedicated to getting our older people the right support to meet their individual needs. That's why we launched the Home First strategy to help them live independent and fulfilled lives as long as they possibly can. We want to work with partners to tackle loneliness and build well connected communities so people stay happy and healthy.”

CLLR ANEELA AHMED
DEMENCIA CHAMPION



Bradford Labour will:

- » **Support more people to stay independent** in their own homes for longer.
- » **Keep children and young people safe** and increase awareness of how children can keep themselves safe online.
- » **Raise the mental health resilience** of children and adults.
- » **Combat substance misuse** and its effect on families and communities.
- » **Improve children’s health** by identifying autism earlier with appropriate support in place.
- » **Improve Air Quality** - We’re asking Government to support us to improve air quality by reducing vehicle emissions on our busiest roads.

Our Labour Council will focus on making a real difference to people’s lives by focusing on what people can do rather than what they can’t do. We believe as long as people have the right support, they can live longer, healthier lives in spite of the Tory government’s attacks on the NHS and its shameful lack of action on social care.

We will devote more resources to prevention and getting support in place earlier for vulnerable adults. Our ethos is summed up in the title of our new strategy – ‘Home First’. This will help more people to stay independent for longer in their own homes and get them the right support before their challenges have multiplied. We are confident our approach ensures better care and will save taxpayers’ money at a time when central government is slashing funding to this district.

As the youngest city in the UK we are also determined to support our children. Health inequalities between children born rich and poor are a stain on our city and country, which is why our key pledge is to tackle that unfairness head on by working more closely with the NHS and other partner

agencies. Children born in the poorest neighbourhoods of our district must have the same life chances as those born to wealthier families. Tackling poverty will go some way to addressing this health challenge – but it has to be a concerted and wide ranging effort and one which accounts for mental as well as physical resilience.

That’s why we’ve launched the Healthy Bradford plan, we’re getting more schools signed up to the Daily Mile to improve fitness levels and tackle childhood obesity, we’ve helped reduce the number of teenage pregnancies and we’ve campaigned to reduce harmful emissions particularly around schools and children’s play areas.



Put more money in people's pockets.

Your Labour Council's achievements:

- » **3,000 people into work through Get Bradford Working** – the biggest local authority employment programme in the country.
- » **600 new jobs created** and 80 city centre units brought into use through the City Centre Growth Zone.
- » **Named by Barclays Bank as the best place in the country to start a new business.**
- » **A stop for Bradford on the new Northern Powerhouse Rail route** included in Transport for the North's plan after our successful Next Stop Bradford campaign.
- » **Invested over £1m to improve traffic flow in Keighley Town Centre,** easing congestion and improving journey times.

As the Tory government continues to cut the funding councils receive, it's more important than ever that we grow our economy so we can continue to provide essential services such as adults and children's care.

Our Economic Strategy sets out a bold course to increase the size of our economy by £4 billion over the next 12 years. To do this we'll need to support the creation of an additional 20,000 jobs, and upskill our workforce, supporting an additional 48,000 people to reach NVQ level three or above.

Skills are key to a productive economy, and as the UK's youngest city our young and enterprising population are vital to a successful Bradford.

Since taking control of the council we've worked with schools and colleges to create five innovative Industrial Centres of Excellence, where businesses get involved in setting the curriculum of our young people from the age of 14 so that they see the opportunities for work available to them. If re-elected we will build on this to open three new Industrial Centres of Excellence, equipping young people with the skills and confidence to succeed.



Supporting the Bradford Pound

"Our new 'Bradford Pound' social value policy will significantly increase the amount of money the council and businesses spend in the local economy, targeting an increase of £45m. We will also oblige businesses who contract with the council to do more on apprenticeships, the living wage and training."

CLLR ADRIAN FARLEY
FAIRTRADE CHAMPION

Transport is another key priority for the district. Getting Bradford on the map for Northern Powerhouse Rail is a game changer for our connectivity, but we know that there is much more to do for Bradford to take advantage of its position as a globally connected district.



Bradford Labour will:

- » **Support more people into work** – we will expand our pioneering Get Bradford Working and SkillsHouse jobs programme.

- » **Open three new Industrial Centres of Excellence** – they have a proven track record of linking education with careers in industry.

- » **Deliver major regeneration and infrastructure projects** – the Odeon, Forster Square station redevelopment, city centre markets, One City Park offices, Hard Ings in Keighley and New Line/Greengates in east Bradford.

- » **Secure better transport** – faster journey times on road and rail, less congestion and safer cycling routes.

- » **Create new jobs and apprenticeships** – create 500 new apprenticeships in the council, deliver three new Enterprise Zones, get 20,000 more people into work and boost the economy by £4 billion.

We're delivering key road infrastructure projects to improve connectivity and ease congestion in Shipley, Keighley and east Bradford and successfully lobbied for feasibility funding on re-opening the Skipton-Colne rail line with Keighley MP, John Grogan.

Bradford has recently been named as the best place in the country to start a business by Barclays Bank. We're building on this by extending a business rates relief package across the district, focused on our towns like Keighley, Ilkley, Shipley and Bingley, and delivering key regeneration projects such as our exciting city centre markets development, new offices at One City Park and the redevelopment of Forster Square station.

The Tories want to cut key projects that will support growth across the whole district to spend the money on pet projects in just a few chosen places. They've got the wrong priorities for Bradford and are ignoring the needs of our businesses who want to see a Council investing in growth for the whole district.

Working constructively with business we will deliver inclusive economic growth for the many, not the few, across the whole of Bradford District.

Inclusive Growth

Since its creation the Labour Party has been committed to securing economic growth that works for everyone.

We've led the way on Bradford Council since taking over from the Tories in 2010. We have the largest local authority jobs programme in the country, successfully getting 3000 people into work. We are undertaking the largest apprenticeship recruitment programme we have ever done and we have launched our Social Value policy to boost our spend with local businesses.



Celebrate our district's heritage and support its renewal.

Build pride in where we live.

Your Labour Council's achievements:

- » **Empowered community groups to take on valued assets** – we've transferred over 40 buildings into community control since April 2016
- » **Started work on a brand new pool and leisure centre** to replace the outdated Richard Dunn Centre. Better facilities at a lower running cost than the current pool.
- » **Tackled danger driving** – supported the successful Operation Steerside, apprehending anti-social drivers.
- » **Cleaned up our streets** – introduced tougher enforcement against litter and flytipping and increased recycling rates across the district
- » **Attracted record numbers to cultural and sporting events** – a sell-out Bingley Music Live, an acclaimed new Hockney Gallery, invested over £3m in Cliffe Castle in Keighley, museum visitor numbers up by a fifth and we've become a cycling centre of excellence.

There's nowhere in the country with a heritage as rich and diverse as Bradford District. From the rolling hills of the Worth Valley that so inspired the Brontë Sisters, to the internationally recognised moorland of Ilkley and the majestic mill buildings that adorn our landscape, Bradford's rich and varied places give us a special and distinctive offer compared to other districts in the country.

We know that with the great beauty of our communities comes a responsibility on all of us to look after them; to keep them clean, tidy and safe. The vast majority of people across Bradford take real pride in their neighbourhoods and feel powerless and frustrated when a small minority refuse to take responsibility for their behaviour. We share that frustration and are taking action to hold people to account for anti-social behaviour and support those who want to get involved in making Bradford a better district for all of us to enjoy.



"It's been a great year to cycle in Bradford, with new CityConnect cycleways connecting Leeds, Bradford and Shipley, and of course who can forget the Tour de Yorkshire, which showed off Haworth, Ilkley, Addingham and Saltaire to a global audience. There's never been a better time to cycle in Bradford district and I'm proud this Labour Council has done so much to promote it."

CLLR TAJ SALAM
CYCLING CHAMPION



Bradford Labour will:

- » **Tackle danger driving** – we will continue our support for Operation Steerside with innovative new campaigns.
- » **Keep our communities clean** – campaign, educate and enforce to rid our streets of litter and fly tipping while delivering an efficient bin service and increasing recycling rates.
- » **Ensure access to art, sport and culture for every citizen** – free entry to all our museums and galleries.
- » **Create stronger communities** where minorities feel at home, where volunteers are confident to get involved and where young people have safe spaces to grow.

Our ‘People Can’ campaign empowers people to take control and get involved in supporting their communities. We’ve worked with volunteers to take over their local libraries, set up snow teams to grit in bad weather and facilitated litter picks to combat fly tipping and general littering.

As a Council we take our own responsibilities seriously. We’re taking action on fly tipping and general environmental damage, issuing notices and fines on people we catch. We work closely with the police on Operation Steerside, which has caught more than 11,000 dangerous drivers.

For people to feel really proud of their communities it’s about more than keeping them clean and tidy. We believe access to arts, culture and sport are vital in making the district a better place to live. Not only does it improve lifelong education and enrich our lives, it also drives economic activity, supports our tourist trade and boosts businesses.

That’s why we will continue to offer free admission to all council-run museums and galleries despite the government cuts hitting this district so hard. It’s also why we’ve invested in our existing galleries such as Cliffe Castle Museum in Keighley and new attractions such as the Hockney Gallery at Cartwright Hall.

We want everyone who lives in Bradford to feel at home here. Whatever your gender, sexual orientation, faith or disability, you should expect to find a welcoming community who values your contribution to making Bradford so special.

We’re all incredibly proud of this fantastic district, and it needs all of us working together to keep it safe, clean and tidy and even better for future generations to enjoy. This Labour Council stands by your side and delivers for you.

“Bradford has such a proud history with our Armed Forces. We have always supported our Armed Forces and this year I was delighted we are offering additional support to members of the Armed Forces applying for social housing. We must never forget the sacrifices our service men and women make for us all.”

CLLR JOANNE DODDS
ARMED FORCES CHAMPION



Provide decent homes and support where it is needed for those who need it.

Your Labour Council's achievements:

- » **More new housing** – delivered our 200th council-built home in partnership with Incommunities.
- » **Affordable homes** – delivered over 400 new properties over three years.
- » **Empty homes brought into use** – cut the number of empty homes across the district by a third.
- » **Tackled homelessness** – supported 360 rough sleepers with dedicated support and invested £3.3m with partners in new accommodation at Jermyn Court and Clergy House.
- » **Cut council tax for care leavers** – we've exempted care leavers up to the age of 21 from paying council tax.

Everyone has a right to a decent home they can call their own, a roof over their head and somewhere safe and warm to live'. For too many people under this Tory government this right is being denied. The great truth of homelessness in politics is tragically being played out once again - under a Labour government homelessness falls but under a Tory government it only ever goes up.

We're doing everything we can to support people who find themselves without a roof over their heads at night. Our homelessness services supported over 360 rough sleepers in 2017 and our team is expanding to deal with the impact of the Homelessness Reduction Act.

The homelessness crisis in the country is matched by a housing crisis, with too few homes being built and the existing stock in the private rented sector often in poor condition.

As a Council we are taking action to drive housing growth and improve conditions, working with West Yorkshire Combined Authority on the Better Homes Yorkshire programme to insulate more homes, drive energy efficiency and reduce fuel poverty.

The number of empty homes in the district has fallen by a third under a Labour Council and we continue to pursue and work with property owners to bring empty homes back into use. Our housing standards team also

White Rose Energy

No one should have to choose between heating and putting food on the table. Yet for too many people in this country the choice between eating and heating is one they have to make.

Last year, Bradford Council teamed up with Leeds and Calderdale Councils as part of White Rose Energy, a not-for-profit that delivers low cost energy to people in Bradford and Yorkshire.

By choosing White Rose Energy, households can save up to £200 on their energy bill with surpluses generated being reinvested in fuel poverty programmes across the region.

pursue property owners who fail to maintain their houses to acceptable standards and we have no hesitation in taking owners to court. We're also stepping up our action against landlords who don't maintain their sites and blight our neighbourhoods.

We're putting in place the right conditions for growth, with key



BRADFORD LABOUR FOR THE MANY NOT THE FEW

Bradford Labour will:

- » **Support people to get off the streets and build a future** – work with partners on more homelessness preventions with wide-ranging support.
- » **Deliver new homes for those who need them, where they need them** – build over 150 new affordable homes, deliver New Bolton Woods urban village and target funding on brownfield sites.
- » **Take action against landowners who don't maintain their sites** – we will enforce against rogue and absentee building owners whose sites blight neighbourhoods.
- » **Tackling poor quality homes** – Increase enforcement action against landlords who rent out poor quality houses in the Private Rented Sector.

planning policy documents in place we are now well placed to deliver sustainable, well-managed housing development with supporting infrastructure. Our approach focuses on brownfield sites helping to unlock such sites for development. To this end we are investing in a specialist Housing & Development team. This is in addition to our own Affordable Homes programme, which recently delivered its 200th new home in partnership with Incommunities.

Housing is an issue that affects every area of people's lives. Without somewhere safe and warm to call your home, success at school or work becomes nigh on impossible. To deliver equality of opportunity across Bradford we need to build affordable new homes, support people off the streets and improve our existing housing stock. A Labour Council will deliver.



JOHN GROGAN
MP FOR KEIGHLEY

"The Labour Council in Bradford is firmly on the side of the many, not the few"



JO PIKE
PARLIAMENTARY CANDIDATE
FOR SHIPLEY

"After almost a decade of brutal Tory cuts, Bradford needs a bold, pioneering vision that puts people first"



IMRAN HUSSAIN
MP FOR BRADFORD EAST

"On 3rd May, it is only by electing Labour councillors that you can send the message that enough is enough and that the Tory Government austerity that has pained our country and our City has to end"



JUDITH CUMMINS
MP FOR BRADFORD SOUTH

"Bradford Council has faced many years of savage central government Tory cuts, meaning the local council has had to make tough choices in its budget. We need to elect Labour Councillors on May 3rd to let Theresa May know that we in Bradford have had enough of these Tory cuts"



NAZ SHAH
MP FOR BRADFORD WEST

"An excellent manifesto which highlights the importance of retaining your hard working Labour Council. Vote Labour in May to ensure Bradford Labour Council can continue to fight to retain and improve our essential Council services and create opportunities for all"

BRADFORD LABOUR FOR THE MANY NOT THE FEW

Bradford has always led the way in the Labour movement. Since the formation of the Independent Labour Party in Bradford in 1893, Bradford has often pioneered new policies in social justice, from being the first Council to introduce free school meals in 1906 to our groundbreaking Get Bradford Working programme that has helped thousands of people into work.

The achievements of the Labour movement in Bradford belong to all

of us, from those of us who pound the streets knocking on doors, delivering leaflets and volunteering in the community, to the trade unions who defend our working conditions and our MPs and Councillors who put our values into practice in Westminster and on Bradford Council.

This manifesto sets out our vision for the district, one that can only be realised by all of us working together, for the many, not the few.



The Labour Council Executive

Making the right decisions for the district's future

Cllr Susan Hinchcliffe, Leader | Cllr Imran Khan, Deputy Leader and Education, Employment & Skills | Cllr Alex Ross-Shaw, Regeneration, Planning & Transport | Cllr Abdul Jabar, Neighbourhoods & Community Safety | Cllr Sarah Ferriby, Environment, Sport & Culture | Cllr Val Slater, Health & Wellbeing



Labour Group's Council Champions

Supporting vital causes across the district

Cllr Aneela Ahmed, Dementia | Cllr Cath Bacon, Anti-Poverty | Cllr Ralph Berry, Recovery | Cllr Joanne Dodds, Armed Forces | Cllr Richard Dunbar, LGBT+ | Cllr Adrian Farley, Fairtrade | Cllr Doreen Lee, Senior | Cllr Taj Salam, Cycling | Cllr Michelle Swallow, Play | Cllr Angela Tait, STEM

Bradford District Labour Group

A strong voice for Bradford District