



Vote **LABOUR** IN **BLACON WARD**



Vote Labour | Thursday 4 May | Polls open 7am - 10pm



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CAROL GAHAN | ALAN SMITH | SHEILA LITTLE

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OUR 4 MISSIONS TO MAKE BLACON AN EVEN BETTER PLACE TO GROW UP AND GROW OLD:

- **HELP AND SUPPORT AVAILABLE WHEN YOU NEED IT**
- **OPPORTUNITIES TO WORK, LEARN AND SUCCEED, IN OUR CITY**
- **PRIDE IN OUR CITY CENTRE AND IN OUR LOCAL NEIGHBOURHOODS**
- **ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS**



A MESSAGE FROM **SAMANTHA DIXON MP**

“I’M BACKING CAROL, ALAN & SHEILA IN BLACON ON THURSDAY 4TH MAY.”

Carol, Shelia and Alan all work tirelessly for Blacon. The great thing about them, is that they all bring individual skills and talents, which makes them a fantastic team for the area. I hope when you come to cast your vote on Thursday 4th of May, you can vote to support them.”

MEET YOUR LABOUR CANDIDATES



CAROL GAHAN

“ INVESTMENT IN BLACON...”

I have been a councillor in Blacon since 2015, supporting residents and helping local organisations to grow and flourish.

I am Chair of J H Godwin Primary School and work to support all the schools in Blacon. I won't rest until we have a Youth Club and this will be my focus for the next four years.

As a Councillor my phone is never off. I will continue to work with the Cleaner Safer Greener Group to make Blacon be the very best it can be for its residents and businesses.

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ALAN SMITH

“ EDUCATION, JOBS & HISTORY IN BLACON...”

I've lived in Blacon most of my life. I went to school at Dee point and Blacon High, then I became a Printer, and then I worked with computers.

I want Blacon Children to have the best chances in life. I want them to have the best education possible which will lead to having a good job.

I was a Trade union shop steward, so I am used to representing people. Currently I support the community by providing free digital training for older people and presentations on the History of Blacon to schools.

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SHEILA LITTLE

“ HELP AND SUPPORT IN BLACON...”

The past 4 years have been hard work for everyone, but it also brought out the best of the Blacon Community - people working together to support each other.

I have lost count of the number of times that people have said to me 'I moved to Blacon because of the sense of community and the people here made me feel welcome'. I have lived in Blacon for 34 years and I belong to that community, I have been proud to represent Blacon and will continue to work hard to support and enrich our community.

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CAROL, ALAN & SHEILA'S 4 MISSIONS TO MAKE BLACON AN EVEN BETTER PLACE TO GROW UP AND GROW OLD...

Mission 1:



HELP WHEN YOU NEED IT

“ Government cuts have put pressure on households and on local services. We will build on our weekly resident surgeries to provide even better advice and support. We will make sure help is available if you need it.”

WE WILL FIGHT FOR...

- MORE SERVICES TO SUPPORT NEW PARENTS AVAILABLE AT OUR LOCAL CHILDREN'S CENTRE
- AN AGE-FRIENDLY BLACON, WHERE SERVICES SUPPORT YOU AS YOU GET OLDER
- PRACTICAL ACTION & SUPPORT FOR PEOPLE EXPERIENCING POVERTY IN OUR COMMUNITY

Find out about Labour's plans for help and support services at cheshirewestlabour.com/hope/help



Mission 2:



OPPORTUNITIES IN LIFE

“ We will link education, skills and employment by working with our schools, so that opportunities to get skills or find employment are available in Blacon. We will also tackle digital exclusion through our library service.”

WE WILL DELIVER...

- A NEW '10 X 10' PROJECT IN SCHOOLS SO KIDS CAN TRY 10 FUN ACTIVITIES BEFORE THEY'RE 10
- A NEW COMBINED ADULT EDUCATION, SKILLS & EMPLOYMENT SERVICE FOR OUR CITY
- A NEW DIGITAL DEVICE LOAN SCHEME IN OUR LIBRARY SO NOBODY IS DIGITALLY EXCLUDED

Find out about Labour's plans for opportunities at cheshirewestlabour.com/hope/opportunity



LABOUR'S 5 BIG WINS FOR BLACON



1

ALL GO FOR BLACON ACTION TEAM

“ Working with the community, we set up the Blacon Action Team to make sure there was a vital food and support service for families and those who were isolating during Covid. It led us to set up a hub with West Cheshire Foodbank, Citizens Advice and our weekly councillor surgeries on Tuesdays from 10am - 12pm.”



2

NEW SPORTS FACILITIES AT KING GEORGE V

“ We're proud to have supported the development of the King George V Sports Hub. It's a fantastic new community sports facility in Blacon, featuring a floodlit 3G artificial grass pitch, natural grass pitches and a Clubhouse and Pavilion that can be used for a range of events and activities.”



3

SUPPORT WITH HOUSING ISSUES FOR RESIDENTS

“ Every day we work on casework related to housing issues. Sanctuary is not the council, they are an independent company, but we are working hard to support residents and advocate for them on the elimination of mould, and quick and quality standards of repairs.”



4

SUMMER HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES FOR KIDS

“ We have worked with Avenue Services to create a successful summer activity programme in Blacon, with over 120 activities run throughout the summer holidays for local children. These activities have seen reports of ASB drop to very low levels in the holiday period, because there has been something fun to do.”



5

BUILDING STRONGER COMMUNITIES

“ We've funded lots of community projects to bring people together and make Blacon stronger. These have included delivery of Christmas and Easter meals, Platinum Jubilee Tea, street play sessions, the Blacon Festival, the Blacon Awards, autism support group, Blacon History Group, and our community gardens.”

Mission 3:



PRIDE IN WHERE WE LIVE

“ We will continue to work with Avenue Services to improve local play areas. We will support local gardening groups on environmental projects, and we will keep community facilities open despite government cuts.”

VOTING FOR LABOUR MEANS...

- INVESTMENT IN COMMUNITY FACILITIES WITH MORE SERVICES AVAILABLE LOCALLY
- FASTER POTHOLE REPAIRS & STRONG ACTION ON FLY-TIPPING, DOG FOULING & LITTER
- EVENTS THAT BRING BLACON TOGETHER TO CELEBRATE OUR CULTURE AND HERITAGE

More about Labour's plans for pride in the places we all love at cheshirewestlabour.com/hope/pride



Mission 4:



ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION

“ Labour will fund a new service that helps people make smart choices about how to reduce energy use in their homes to save money on your bills. We will also work with social housing providers to retrofit their existing properties.”

ACTIONS WE WILL TAKE...

- FUND A LOCAL ENERGY ADVICE SERVICE TO HELP RESIDENTS SAVE MONEY ON THEIR BILLS
- WORK WITH SOCIAL LANDLORDS TO MAKE BLACON PROPERTIES MORE ENERGY EFFICIENT
- SUPPORT LABOUR'S PLANS TO TAKE BACK CONTROL OF LOCAL BUS SERVICES

Find out about Labour's plans for the environment at cheshirewestlabour.com/hope/environment



THE TORIES HAVE BROKEN BRITAIN BUT IN BLACON, LABOUR HAS A PLAN FOR



5 THINGS LABOUR WILL DO FOR BLACON & CHESTER



1 CELEBRATING CHESTER'S HISTORY

Despite a decade of government cuts to highways budgets, we have continued to invest in restoration work on all the major city 'gates'. We will complete this work by fixing the propped steps on the 1966 bridge. We will also complete our restoration and fire protection project on The Rows.



2 CLEANER, SAFER & STRONGER BLACON

We'll work with police, community groups and Avenue Services to make our streets safer and cleaner. We're fed up of people who cause problems in our community by dumping stuff and expecting other people to clean it up. We want to see the harshest possible penalties for fly-tipping, litter & dog foul."



3 NEW HEALTH AND WELL-BEING HUB ON THE PARADE

Blacon's new Health and Well Being Hub is almost complete. It will provide health care in Blacon and will enable residents to access preventative services on their doorstep. We want Blacon residents to be supported to live longer and healthier lives by quality public services.



4 A NEW YOUTH CLUB FOR BLACON

The focus for our next four years will be finding funding for a new Youth Club in Blacon. The government cut funding for youth services and it has had a significant impact. To rebuild local support for children in our area, we must find a location and funding for a new Blacon Youth Club.

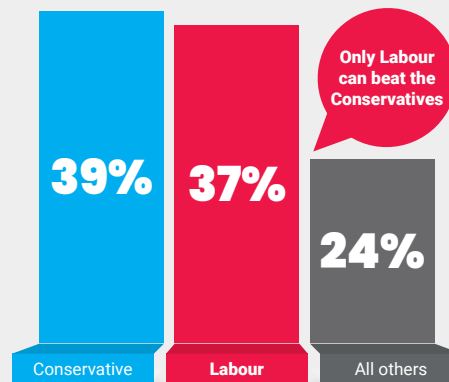


5 REFRESH FOR THE NORTHGATE ARENA

Everyone in Blacon has fond memories of time spent at the Northgate Arena with family and friends. We'll invest in a renovation programme to bring the pool, sports and changing facilities back up to a decent standard. We'll even make sure the Whale gets a new coat of paint.

READ OUR PLAN FOR CHESTER AT CHESHIREWESTLABOUR.COM/TEAM-CHESTER

ONLY LABOUR CAN BEAT THE TORIES IN CHESTER



Vote share in Cheshire West in the 2019 local elections.

Only Labour can beat the Conservatives

THE TORY TAX BOMBSHELL

WHERE DOES YOUR COUNCIL TAX GO?

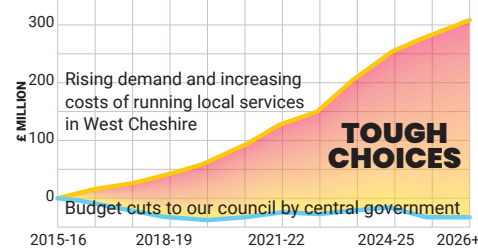
The Conservative government has failed to solve the national crisis in social care, so now around 60p of every £1 of your council tax is used to support vulnerable children and adults. This leaves just 40p to pay for roads, waste collection, street cleaning, libraries, leisure centres, grass cutting and everything else the council does.

Labour would launch a National Care Service to run alongside the NHS.



HAVE THE CONSERVATIVES BROKEN BRITAIN?

Yes. Multiple crises in mental health, poverty, housing, the NHS and now the cost-of-living are increasing demand for council services at the same time as the government has cut council budgets. This means councils are being forced to do more with less, scale back services or charge for things that used to be free.



THE TORIES HAVE BROKEN BRITAIN. SEND THEM A MESSAGE BY VOTING LABOUR.

VOTING IN THE COUNCIL ELECTIONS ON 4TH MAY

Think local, vote for HOPE and **VOTE LABOUR** in the council elections on 4th May!

YOU NEED PHOTOGRAPHIC ID:

The Tories have changed the rules on voting so you will need to take photographic ID like a passport or driving licence to vote in May. There are other options if you don't have either of these, find out more here Register to vote by post at postalvote.labour.org.uk - applications must be received by the council by 5pm on Tuesday 18th April

