

# Liberal Democrat achievements in government

## Get the facts:

**Jobs & Growth** 1.8 million new jobs

**Income Tax** A £900 tax cut

**Education & Children**  
£2.5 billion extra for schools

**Cost of Living** Easing the squeeze

**Environment** 200,000 new green jobs

**Older People**  
Biggest ever pension increase

**Welfare & Unemployment**  
Providing fair opportunities

**Health** Better care for all

**Freedom & Equalities**  
Delivered equal marriage

**Communities** Crime lower than ever

**Immigration** A firm but fair system

**Britain in the World**  
Helping the world's poorest

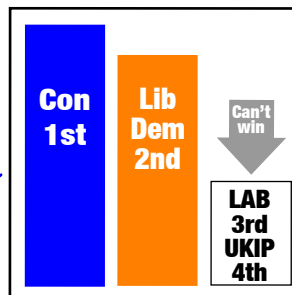
## Chelmsford under the Conservatives

- Council Tax raised and £13m spare cash hoarded away
- Congestion and traffic chaos
- Closed doors for meetings

 **We can do better**

- Spend council cash on community services - not hoarded away
- Cut congestion e.g. with better bus services
- Involve the public more

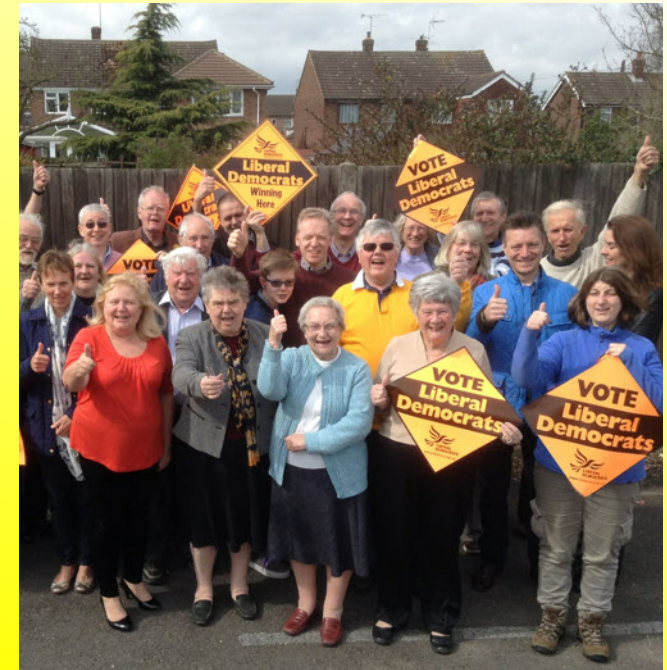
*Result last time shows: it's Lib Dem or Conservative here in Chelmsford*



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## Liberal Democrat MANIFESTO for the Chelmsford City Council Elections 2015



## Opportunities for everyone to live, work and flourish

## Stronger Economy Fairer Society

# Opportunities for everyone

## live

- champion more homes you can afford for the future
- protect our community from predatory developers
- fix pavements and remove trip hazards
- ensure buildings are equipped for disabled access and the sensory impaired
- focus on community safety – e.g. install LED lighting; work with Neighbourhood Watch
- urban planting: protect trees and green spaces
- protect pensioners' bus and rail cards
- safeguard the elderly and vulnerable



## work

- bring in more high value jobs to the city – giving businesses incentives to re-locate
- promote the Council's apprenticeship schemes
- alleviate traffic congestion
- build a Park & Ride at Widford and promote a circular bus route around the city
- provide better bus services and more bus shelters
- ensure new developments have adequate parking
- support safe parking in residential areas
- get potholes fixed



## flourish

- provide leisure facilities to the standard required by city status
- work with developers to provide a Concert Hall
- develop the West End – provide free parking for 30 minutes
- attract more visitors to our city
- improve Riverside Ice & Leisure Centre
- revitalise our waterways
- put in place a network of cycle stands, lockers and community bike repair stations
- work for a good environment for local residents
- maintain cultural services – museums and theatres
- maximise the use of the parks: more festivals and events



### Rather than what the Tories have done:

- Failed to meet targets for waste reduction and increased recycling
- Made decisions behind closed doors
- Raised your Council Tax and hoarded cash in the bank, not spending it on services

### Rather than what the Tories have done:

- Left office blocks empty
- Neglected the West End shops
- Choked the city centre and clogged its arteries

### Rather than what the Tories have done:

- Flogged assets
- Failed to provide recycling and a regular bus service at Hylands House
- Given in to developers