

Conservatives Plan for Cornwall

Cornwall Conservatives
- Taking Cornwall forward, together.

A personal message from the Conservative Group Leader

Dear Resident

I am proud to be presenting our Conservative Plan for Cornwall, but it's not our plan, it's your plan, a plan for every resident and business in this amazing place we call home.

We will never forget that the money the Council spends, is your money! For the last eight years, the Lib Dems and Independents who run the council have not wasted an opportunity to waste your money on their madcap schemes and vanity projects.

Despite Brexit, the Lib Dems and their friends who run County Hall seem to be hellbent on having more positive relations with countries in the EU than their own government and their agenda over the past four years has put them squarely at odds with the people of Cornwall.

Our plan delivers for Cornwall, cutting waste at County Hall, investing in new and sustainable businesses, keeps communities and the environment at the heart of every decision, and ensures that no one gets left behind.

Make no mistake about it, Cornwall Council needs change – vote Conservative on 6 May.

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Vote for Change at Cornwall Council

We will never forget that the money we spend is your money.

The ruling LibDem/Independent administration has been in charge for the last eight years; it is time for some big changes, not least a change of the old guard. The Pandemic has been tough on all of us. We would like to thank all those who did so much. Our Conservative Government's vaccination programme is a great success and we now need a Council that will take us forward and build a stronger future which will support our communities, cut waste and deliver the services that matter the most, effectively and on Budget.

We need a Council that will spend your money wisely.

We want to ensure that money is spent here in Cornwall supporting residents, "Keep it Local". We will close the Council's Brussels office which costs a minimum of £50,000 a year for no discernible benefit. We have noted just a couple of examples of the current administration's "generosity" with your money at the end of this note. We want to focus our spending on the core Council priorities like care, education, roads, waste services and housing. We want to cut the vanity projects which have dogged this council.

We need homes for local people and sympathetic planning.

Cornwall is beautiful and we are determined to keep it that way but we also recognise the need for new homes for local people to live in. We want to focus on housing that reflects local need and affordability. We will reverse the current policy of putting large affordable/social housing developments in rural areas where they are not always needed and the cost of transport makes it even more expensive for families. We will focus on small pockets of affordable homes which are supported by local communities to keep our villages alive and allow youngsters to stay in the place they were born and raised. We also want to ensure that our Council housing stock is fit to live in, we will ensure that maintenance and repairs are carried out quickly and efficiently.

We need to build back a strong economy.

After COVID-19 we need strong investment in our economy. We will support existing business and encourage new enterprises to set up in Cornwall. We will look at new and emerging markets particularly in the green economy and space. We will work with the Conservative Government to invest in and encourage existing businesses and new enterprises which are forward looking. The current Lib Dem and Independent Administration constantly worked against our Cornish MP's - a Conservative led Council, working with our MPs, will ensure Cornwall has a lasting legacy from the G7 conference .

We will work together with our local communities.

We will listen and deliver on the issues that matter to you. We will short cut the process by which minor works on roads etc are done by giving Councillors, who are accountable to you, the power to get works done without going through layers of bureaucracy. We will review the effects of the new waste contract, entered into by the current administration which comes into force later this year.

We will protect our environment.

We pledge to put the environment at the heart of all our decision making. We want to protect our countryside and will work to green spaces. Where local communities request them, we will reinstate recycling bins in Cornwall Council car parks.

Supporting young people.

Investing in a new future for our Young People, help them to develop real skills for work and life. This will include encouraging investment in community youth schemes and social opportunities to enhance life choices for our Young People. We will help town and parish councils and voluntary organisations develop meaningful youth clubs and groups. We will direct funding to reduce the unacceptable waiting times for the diagnoses of Special Educational Needs to ensure that children are supported at an early age.



Appalling waste by Lib Dems and Independents

- **£13 - £20 Million wasted** in just one year on external consultants.
- **£2 Million wasted** on IT licences that were not needed.
- **£50,000 per year wasted** on a Cornwall Council Office in Brussels.
- **£46,000 wasted** on a Cornwall Council paid trip to the South of France with no benefit to Cornwall.
- **£53 Million wasted** on buying out of fixed term loan arrangements that taxpayers will be paying off for years to come.

Our 6 point plan

- 1 Abolish the council office in Brussels.**
- 2 Enable sectors like new green technology and space to flourish** - turbocharging the economy, supporting businesses and entrepreneurs.
- 3 Introduce more 20mph speed limit zones** where there is strong public support locally.
- 4 Where local communities request them, we will** reinstate recycling bins in car parks.
- 5 Prioritise housing for local people, to enable** them to stay in the community they grew up in, with a focus on local need rather than large developments in the countryside.
- 6 We will cut unacceptable delays** in the assessment process for children with additional needs.



