



# USEFUL CONTACTS

We are here to help. The sooner we know about an issue, the sooner we can try and help.



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## COUNCIL CONTACTS

Covid-19 Support	0113 376 0330
Anti-Social Behaviour	0113 222 4402
Bins, Street Cleaning and Fly Tipping	0113 222 4406
Homelessness	0113 222 4412
Noise Nuisance	0113 222 4402
Environmental Health	0113 222 4406
Roads and Pavements	0113 222 4407
Street Lighting	0800 032 5349
Council Complaints	0113 222 4405
Council Tax and Benefits	0113 222 4404
Textphone	0113 222 4410
Registrars	0113 222 4408
Crime Stoppers	0800 555 111
Police Non-Emergency	101
Emergency Services	999



# HUNSLET AND RIVERSIDE ROSE

Investing in Hunslet, Hunslet Carr, Hunslet Moor, Hunslet Green, Beeston Hill, the City Centre.

## FIGHTING BACK AGAINST FLY TIPPING



The pandemic has seen a huge **UK-wide increase of fly tipping** and locally an increase in litter. The street cleaning teams have seen fly tipping double in some areas and household waste go up by 10-20%. Your Labour Councillors are committed to reduce this and cleaning up the ward. **We know how important these issues are to local people and therefore we committed to more:**

Litter Bins

Enforcement Action and Fines

Resident Education

Community Clean-ups

## RETURN YOUR POSTAL VOTE APPLICATION ASAP



In May you will elect the first West Yorkshire Metro Mayor and one local Councillor. **The Council sent everyone not already signed up for a postal vote an application form with a pre-paid return envelope.**



Make your voice heard and vote by post this year. **Please return this for free ASAP.**

Voting early also means you can get on with the important things in life. **Secure your vote — vote by post this year.**

## WHAT ARE YOUR PRIORITIES?

What can we do to improve your area?

Name

Number

Email

Address

Last election I voted  Labour  Tory  Green  Lib Dem

Contact me via  Telephone  Letter  Email

I plan to vote  Labour  Tory  Green  Lib Dem

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You can also reply online at <https://bit.ly/HRYourCommunitySurvey> or scan the QR code:



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## IMPROVING TOWPATH FOR USERS



Your Labour Councillors want to improve the usability of the canal towpath between Leeds Dock and Thwaite Mill. Work has now started to map where **new benches, bins and cycle hoops can be placed** - creating resting stops along this busy and popular route. Work with a student project to identify sites for additional public art along the canal has also started.

## YOUR LABOUR TEAM: DELIVERING FOR YOU

Your **three Labour Councillors are delivering investment** and fighting your corner. **Their strong, united and focused team** are keeping your voice heard in Civic Hall and Westminster.



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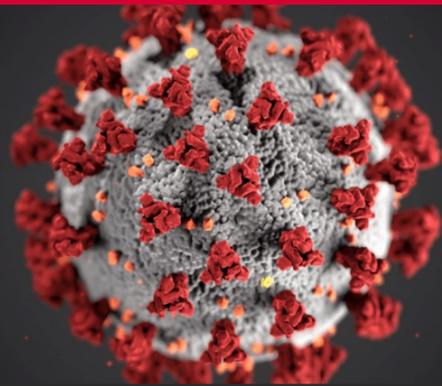
CLLR WRAY



HILARY BENN MP



# Fighting the virus and working to invest in the future, protecting our environment and history.



## PANDEMIC SUPPORT

Over the last year **your Labour Councillors have provided over £24,000 of funding to local projects** to support our community. This is on top of sizable funding provided by the Council to the pandemic food hubs like The Involve Centre and Hamara Healthy Living Centre.

## PEOPLE BEFORE PROFIT

It was **your Labour Council that stepped up to provide Free School Meals** to children over the holidays until the Government was shamed to do so— even then they failed to provide enough food, paying a company £30 a box to provide less food than the Council boxes did.



*We did it cheaper and faster. As a Labour Council we focus on public service, not profit. No one should make money out of needy children—it's wrong.*

## CITY VACCINE SUCCESS

**Labour Leeds City Council's Public Health Team and the NHS** have rolled out the first doses of vaccine at breath-taking speed—protecting the vulnerable. Proof the local public sector get things done—fast.



*The government failed to listen on Track and Trace and more people became ill. Thankfully they listened this time and let the Council and NHS take the lead.*

**When you get offered the vaccine, get the jab to protect you, your family, your friends and your community.**

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## Skelton Grange Bridge

**Your Labour Councillors are committed to finding a solution** for cyclists until a new bridge is built as part of HS2. Any solution will cost £100,000s but we will lobby hard to find the grant funding.



## Welcome to Hunslet Sign

**Your Councillors back a sign on Church Street** as part of local public realm improvements. The public are currently being consulted on their preferred design before Councillors commission the work.



*This will be great for the area and follow on from the upgraded playground, Community Hub and planned town square.*

## Combating Bad Parking

The Civic Enforcement Officer **paid for by your Labour Councillors is tackling bad parking**. From parking on bus stops on Dewsbury Road, blocking bin wagons on Wickham Street or obscuring sightlines on Dock Street—more areas are having parking enforced **due to the Councillors' determination and belief in fairness.**



## The Cladding Scandal

Your Councillors and Member of Parliament are dismayed at the **Government's failure to offer proper support**. Your Labour Council proudly supported a motion demanding more support for victims but the Government has failed to offer adequate support.



*I will continue to campaign with the Leeds Cladding Scandal group, our local councillors and all of the leaseholders who have been in touch with me until we get justice for all those affected by this nightmare.*

## Highways England Update



Following complaints about the Junction 1-7 roadworks, **your Labour Councillors forced** Highways England to do the following: to consult on the colour of the Westbury Grove barrier, increase the number of trees they will plant, to agree to an embankment-wide litter pick plan near

Hunslet Moor and put forward plans to close off drug dens and rough sleeping spots on their land. **We will keep fighting to get a better deal for residents from this agency.**

## Hunslet St Mary's Spire

**More intrusive ground checks are needed** to assess the land and these are being arranged with the Diocese. **Your Labour Councillors are committed to the Council buying the land to save the spire** subject to the land being able to be used.



## YOU SPOKE - WE LISTENED

We are happy to say that despite significant budget cuts, your Labour Councillors listened and lobbied to protect the things you asked them to—and succeeded. For example:

- Bowling Greens, including Cross Flatts Park and Holbeck Moor to remain open and in public hands
- Thwaite Mill Museums opening days and hours not to be changed
- Leeds Christmas Lights to stay a public owned service

## MISSED OUR NEWSLETTER

Due to when the national lock downs were announced, we know several hundred homes missed out on our last two quarterly newsletters.

You can find them online at <http://bit.ly/oldnewsletters>



# VOTE IQBAL AND BRABIN ON MAY 6TH



## Mohammed Iqbal for Hunslet and Riverside

I have been proud to serve our communities since 1999 and **I have a proven record of standing up for local people** in the Civic Hall and delivering change—though this is easier when Labour controls Leeds. It was a privilege to be Lord Mayor of Leeds in 2006/2007, which helped me break down barriers at a time of community tension and raise money for charity. Our communities have changed so much over my time of service to you, and **I have been lucky to be part of a team whose skills and experiences complement each other, making us a strong and adaptable partnership working for you.** The pandemic has shown how ten years of austerity has weakened our communities—but how much worse it would have been without our local labour team and administration in the Civic Hall. **If re-elected, I will continue to work to reduce poverty in our ward, improve living standards, focus on improving the biodiversity of our ward, tackle climate change and create a socially just and environmentally friendly recovery for our communities.**



## Tracy Brabin for West Yorkshire Mayor

I am Yorkshire through and through, so this is a huge honour. I am incredibly proud to be Labour's mayoral candidate because it means representing the people I grew up with and the communities I grew up in to try and make a real and practical difference to their day to day lives. We need a mayor who is going to get West Yorkshire our fair share when it comes to funding, jobs, transport and a recovery from the pandemic. There's a big north/south divide in this country and we deserve better than to be treated as second class citizens. **There's a big job to do in rebuilding our economy in a post-Covid19 world, my job will be to make sure that what comes next is fair and delivers the jobs, skills and opportunities people in our cities, towns, villages and former mining communities deserve.**

## COUNCIL BUDGET: TORIES FAIL THE NORTH AGAIN!

The Council has agreed its Budget for 2021/22. The choices were tough. The Government told Councils it supports them to "do what it takes" to tackle the pandemic but refused to cover the cost of providing vital support to our communities and lost income. That betrayal has forced the Council to have to make cuts.

LCC gets its funding from Business Rates, Council Tax (CT), charges for services, and central government grants. In 2010 for every £1 we all paid in Council Tax the Council received about £2 in government grants, we now receive just 50p in support, a reduction of over £250 million every year from the Government so our council tax has to stretch further. Since 2010 the government has cut funding to Leeds by over £2 BILLION. **This year Rishi Sunak and the Government is forcing Councils to offset cuts by increasing CT by 5%.**