

St Albans Conservatives listen, make decisions and deliver.



SUPPORTING NHS SERVICES

We are progressing forward with plans to move NHS services into the Civic Centre offices retaining essential services in the City centre and allowing additional leg ulcer and podiatry services to be added.

This follows the move of the Police and community groups into the Civic Centre improving joint working and saving taxpayers' money.



3 NEW LEISURE CENTRES

Since 2011 we invested £36 million in rebuilding Westminster Lodge, Batchwood, and Cotlandwick leisure centres - all delivered on budget and on time. Visitor numbers have doubled from 1.2 million to 2.4 million a year.

£1.5 million annual leisure subsidy turned into £500,000 surplus.



RECYCLING IMPROVED

We delivered a new recycling system that has seen recycling rates increase to just below 60%. The District is now 26th in a national league table, up from 56th.

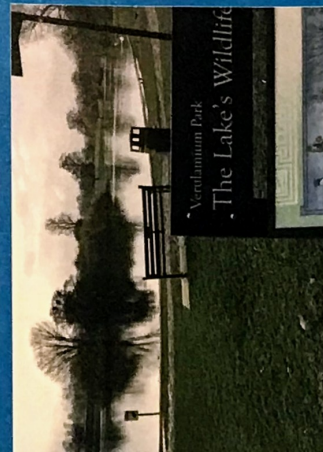
This improvement was delivered along with a saving of £400,000 per year in a new waste and recycling contract.



INVESTING IN HOMES

We are completing the first new-build of council housing in St Albans in over a quarter century - 25 new homes due to be completed in Batchwood by Spring 2018. 27 affordable homes already completed on derelict garage sites with more to follow.

£6.4M to be invested in Council homes in 2018/19 to replace boilers and improve windows, doors, kitchens and bathrooms.



VERULAMIUM PARK LAKE & RIVER VER PLAN

We have worked with the Environment Agency to produce a plan to address the environmental issues affecting Verulamium Park lakes and to improve the River Ver as a natural chalk stream.

We will complete a consultation to finalise the plan and then seek funding to enable delivery.



NEW MUSEUM & GALLERY

We are close to completing the New Museum and Gallery within the Town Hall in an ambitious £7.75 million project with Heritage Lottery Funding.

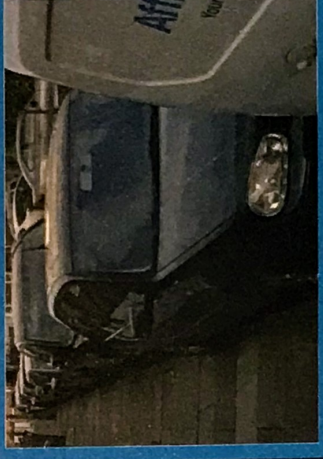
This will improve the City centre and provide an important visitor attraction to boost the local economy. We have also boosted visitor numbers at Verulamium Museum so that it pays for itself.



SUPPORTING BUSINESS

We are progressing the multi-million regeneration of the St Albans Civic Centre Site in partnership with the NHS and Police to deliver much needed office, retail and residential space. We have introduced Article 4 planning protection to prevent permitted development of key office space in the City.

We are supporting delivery of the District's Enviro-Tech Enterprise Zone to deliver up to 8,000 local jobs.



PARKING, WEEDS & ROAD CLEANING

We have invested in the parking team to clear the backlog in resident schemes. We have taken over responsibility and extended the weed treatment from County and deep cleaned the worst footpaths. Road closures have been arranged where necessary to allow problem roads to be properly cleaned.

It's a good Council, keep it that way - vote Conservative.