

Nottingham 2015 Labour Manifesto



FOR OLDER PEOPLE



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Introduction

Nottingham has a thriving older population of 35,000 people. Too often in this country we only ask what older people need from the state and ignore the enormous contribution that they make in our communities. In Nottingham we are committed to making sure this contribution is recognised and supported to grow.

Over the next four years we will build on this. Recently the Council worked with advocacy groups for older people to develop the Older Persons' Charter. If re-elected Nottingham Labour will prioritise delivering what older people have told us they want through fully implementing this charter. That's why our pledges commit us to supporting independence, dignity and good public services. We will work with older people to make this vision a reality.

We want to make Nottingham an even better place for older people to live, and will make this possible through focusing on each person's health, their home and the community they live in.

Nottingham Labour has promised the city's older community and delivered:

1. Free Smart Water services for every pensioner who wants it,
2. Access to the telecare emergency assistance scheme,
3. The option of a personal budget for all eligible residents,
4. Over 80 bungalows across the city for sale or rent to elderly residents,
5. Proper gritting of well-used pavements and roads to help prevent slips and falls,
6. Two new older persons schemes, including a new extra-care facility at Albany House,
7. Crime cut by 14% and halved anti-social behaviour,
8. Council services under one roof at Bulwell Riverside, Mary Potter and the St Ann's Joint Service Centre,
9. More extensive benefits and uses for CityCard as a passport to Council services, travel and discounts,
10. Continued pensioner discounts on Council services.

Your Community

Nottingham Labour will:

1. Promote community resilience by backing the 'Looking After Each Other' campaign and other groups that tackle loneliness and promote self-help,
2. Continue to deliver concessionary bus and tram passes for senior citizens and further develop
3. Implement 20 mph limits in residential areas where residents want them,
4. Start the development of a new Central Library for the city,
5. Keep street lights on overnight in all our neighbourhoods.

concessions for other services that older people value,

Your Health

Nottingham Labour will:

1. Implement the 12 point 'Older Persons' Charter' agreed with carers and campaign groups,
2. Extend telecare and telehealth services so 6000 more people can be supported to live independently,
3. Drive up the quality of
4. Continue to offer the Council's nationally recognised specialist dementia services,
5. Protect services for the frail, elderly and most vulnerable from cuts.

homecare by only buying services from providers who pay their staff for travel between visits, train staff properly and pay the Living Wage,

Your Home

Nottingham Labour will:

1. Build 100 council bungalows across the city so older people can move into appropriate quality accommodation whilst staying in their own community,
2. Tackle fuel poverty by setting up a not-for-profit energy company to sell energy at the lowest possible price to Nottingham people,
3. Prioritise home security for supported housing and those living in 'extracare' schemes,
4. Grit well-used pavements as well as roads in winter to help protect people from slips and falls,
5. Help people switch energy suppliers with annual local advice events and publicity in every area.

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