

OUR COMMITMENTS TO YOU

1. Freezing Belper Town Precept (Community Tax)
2. Backing Local Businesses & Strengthen the Economy
3. Building a Greener Future & Protecting your Green Belt
4. Addressing Anti-Social Behaviour
5. Free Parking on the Coppice
6. Protecting Belper's most vulnerable
7. Providing Value for Money for Taxpayers

Drive Economic Growth and Value for Money for Everyone

A Conservative Council provides value for money, Your Money

Due to poor financial management the last Labour administration in Amber Valley left a **£3.4 million annual overspend**.

After only 18 months the Conservatives in Amber Valley have achieved **£1 million** in savings whilst still protecting jobs and services. **The plan is to eliminate the deficit by 2024/25**. The Conservatives will not let Amber Valley go bankrupt or be taken over by another council due to previous poor financial management by Labour.

Here in Belper the Labour Party has the same attitude to your money. Since 2020, when the precept for the town was **£284,000 under the Conservative group, it has now risen to £649,000 under Labour in 4 years**. Not only that but Town Reserves are also to be used!

Keep Belper out of the **RED**.

Strong responsible financial management under the Conservatives or irresponsible overspending by Labour and others.

The choice is yours.

Belper's own Banking Hub

Following the announcement that the last bank branch in Belper, Lloyds, would close in November 2022, **Pauline Latham OBE MP and your local Conservatives took action to help the future set up of a Banking Hub within Belper**.

A Banking Hub is a space where customers can pay in and withdraw money, deposit cheques, make transfers but also major banks will provide specialist face to face services in the Hub one day per week each - so customers can make an appointment to talk about more complex matters like a mortgage etc.

This service will help everyone but particularly customers who do not use digital banking but prefer both traditional methods. **The Banking Hub is expected to be up and running this Autumn.**

Building a greener future for Belper and Amber Valley

A Conservative Council will invest a further £1.2 million on "green projects".

After planting 14,000 trees in 2022 the Conservatives will continue this tree-planting initiative by providing woods on 16 hectares of council owned land and spaces, planning for future generations and absorbing carbon.

We will continue to insulate homes to reduce heating bills and lower carbon emissions.

We will provide additional EV charging points to provide practical support to visitors and those who are unable to park off street.

We will maintain our zero-tolerance stance to "fly tipping" and go for maximum fines.



Ready to listen to you



Vote Conservative to protect the community you value...

Sharing your concerns, sharing your values

James Kerry

Borough & Town Candidate

I was born and raised in Belper. I attended local schools and started my working life in The Lion Hotel. Flash forward to today, I work for myself and understand about business and what it takes to build relationships and strong connections.

I work with our brightest young adults as a volunteer with the Army Cadets and push our local young men and women to great potential. I also work with our local community groups to make Belper a vibrant, fun, and loving place to live and work.



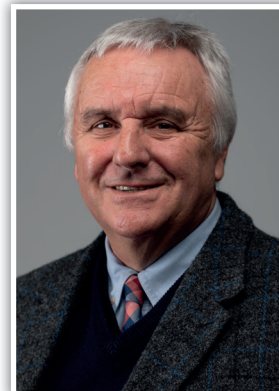
Gary Spendlove

Borough & Town Candidate

It has been a privilege to serve you in recent years as Belper Mayor and Councillor.

Residing in the north of Belper for many years gives me a deep passion for the area. I have specifically requested to be a candidate for the ward containing our World Heritage site. I will use my long association and determination to reinvigorate the town and continue to encourage a strong police presence in Belper.

Please be confident our experienced Conservative business group will take care with the town's finances.



Neil McCready

Town Candidate

I am a local business man and have run a business for 19 years so I know my business skills will be useful for the town. I have also had the experience of being a Belper Town councillor for four years and I am keen to be given the opportunity to improve the quality of life for Belper people.

My passion is the town centre and encouraging more businesses to locate to Belper to both strengthen the local economy and provide more local employment opportunities.



Tim Sutton

Town Candidate

Having lived in Belper for over 30 years, originally working in the NHS and for the last 22 years, running my own IT business, I regard it as my home town.

I have recently spent 4 of those years as a Town councillor, including 1 as Mayor, and have been actively involved in local politics to make and promote Building a Better Belper, keeping our heritage intact and trying to restrict inappropriate housing development in the Parish. I would like to put my experience as a businessman and Town Councillor to good use in my local town.



Vote...



Your Local
Conservatives

Elections May 4th 2023

Local Conservatives Belper North and Central Borough and Town Candidates.

You can vote for 2 Borough Councillors and up to 5 Town Councillors