

**3 Do you support Barbara's campaign to clean up Aylesbury town centre?**

- Yes
- No
- I haven't thought about it

**Would you be willing to help out with a community litter pick?**

- Yes
- No

**4 Do you agree that Bucks County Council investing £15million in the next four years to repair potholes etc is a good idea?**

- Yes
- No
- I haven't thought about it

**5 Do you agree with David Lidington MP and the Conservative Party that you should always be better off in work than not?**

- Yes
- No
- I haven't thought about it

**6 Aylesbury Vale District Council have brought many big name businesses to our town e.g. Topshop, Nando's. Are you happy with the new additions to our town?**

- Yes
- No
- I haven't thought about it

**7 We want to make sure we are working on behalf of everyone. So that we have a representative sample of replies, please could you indicate which of the following preferences best represent your views?**

- Conservative
- Labour
- Lib Dem
- UKIP
- Either Conservative or Lib Dem
- Either UKIP or Lib Dem
- Won't vote

**8 Please let us know if you can help with our work locally:**

- I can deliver leaflets
- I can display a poster at election time
- I would like a postal vote
- I would like to make a donation
- I would like to stand for Council
- I would like to attend social events

**9 Would you like to receive updates from your local Member of Parliament, David Lidington?**

- Yes
- No

**If yes how would you prefer David to contact you with the updates?**

- E-mail
- Post

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# Aylesbury Town MATTERS

FROM YOUR LOCAL CONSERVATIVE TEAM — TOWN & DISTRICT COUNCILLOR BARBARA RUSSEL AND LOCAL MP DAVID LIDINGTON



## MEMORIAL GARDEN ON THE MOUNT

Aylesbury Central Town & District Councillor, Barbara Russel, has been working together with Aylesbury Vale District Council and the British Legion to campaign for a memorial garden on The Mount (just off Castle Street). The campaign team are now waiting to hear back about possible lottery funding, Barbara said, "I have been working with XX for some time on this project, I think a memorial garden to our fallen service personnel situated in such a peaceful and pretty spot is perfect for reflection."

Aylesbury MP David Lidington said, "Aylesbury's Old Town has such a rich history and I think it is an excellent place for a memorial garden to honour the sacrifice our service men and women made and continue to make all across the world."



Barbara at the spot where the memorial garden would be placed.

## UNEMPLOYMENT DOWN

In the last year unemployment within the Aylesbury constituency has fallen by 28%. Local MP David Lidington said, "Our economy is getting onto the right track and it is encouraging news that unemployment in the constituency is down to 1.8% but there is still more to do to set our economy straight."



## GARDENS IN BLOOM

With the recent heavy rains, last Summer seems a long time ago but Aylesbury's Gardens in Bloom will be back very soon. Barbara was one of the judge's at last years competition when she viewed a number of gardens across Aylesbury. Barbara said, "This is a great opportunity for anyone with green fingers to get involved, the judging of last years competition was very difficult as entrants had such beautiful gardens—they even inspired me to pull on my gardening gloves."

If you would like to register to take part or would like to volunteer to help with Aylesbury Town Council's Britain in Bloom projects please contact

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- 1 REDUCING THE DEFICIT** so we deal with our debts, safeguard our economy for the long term and keep mortgage rates low.
- 2 CUTTING INCOME TAX AND FREEZING FUEL DUTY** to help hardworking people be more financially secure.
- 3 CREATING MORE JOBS** by backing small business and enterprise with better infrastructure and lower jobs taxes.
- 4 CAPPING WELFARE AND REDUCING IMMIGRATION** so our economy delivers for people who want to work hard and play by the rules.
- 5 DELIVERING THE BEST SCHOOLS AND SKILLS FOR YOUNG PEOPLE** so the next generation can succeed in the global race.

Securing Britain's Future 

## CHILDREN'S PLAYGROUND OPEN AT HALE LEYS SHOPPING CENTRE



The beginning of February saw the opening of a new children's playground at the back of the Hale Leys shopping centre. Over

£200,000 was invested into the garden area of the shopping centre with the playground having farm themed wooden play apparatus. The adventure playground is open to all children.

Cllr Barbara Russel said, "We are very lucky in central Aylesbury that there are a number of open spaces and this playground at Hale Leys is a wonderful addition. Once the weather improves I am sure it will be a popular spot with children as well as their parents."

## SUPPORTING OUR CHILDREN'S FUTURE

Aylesbury MP David Lidington believes that enabling our children to get a good education is vital, however, not all children flourish in academia which is why the Conservative Government have rejuvenated apprenticeships.

Already the Government are offering employers with 50 employees or fewer up to £1,500 for taking on an apprentice aged between 16 and 24, and they have changed the rules so that all apprentices will be educated to the standard of a 'C' grade at GCSE in English and Maths.



Member of Parliament David Lidington said, "Over 1 and a half million apprenticeships have been taken up nationwide since 2010 and I am delighted that our constituency is at the forefront of this national surge with figures showing a 28% increase in the number of apprenticeships being undertaken here since 2010. Apprenticeships offer an excellent opportunity for young people to equip themselves with new skills. Especially pleasing was a 60% increase within our constituency in the number of individuals taking up advanced level apprenticeships (equivalent to A levels). These qualifications ensure that young people remain in education beyond 16 and acquire skills that are essential for an increasingly competitive work market."

The number of apprenticeships has increased in our constituency by 17% in the last year alone, since the Conservatives have been in Government we locally have 25% more young adults in apprenticeships including some at Buckinghamshire County Council. This is just a part of our long-term plan to create an education system that gives young people the skills to get on in life and secure a better future for themselves and our country."

# RESIDENTS' SURVEY

Keeping in touch with the views of local residents in Aylesbury all year round.

Let us know what you think is important in your area

### Your details

Name

Address

Home/Mobile no

Email

#### How we use your information

The data you provide will be retained by the Conservative Party, Aylesbury Constituency Conservative Association and David Lidington MP ("the data holders") in accordance with the provisions of the Data Protection Act 1998 and related legislation. By providing your data to us, you are consenting to the data holders making contact with you in the future by telephone, text or other means, even though you may be registered with the Telephone Preference Service. Your data will not be sold or given to anyone not connected to the Conservative Party. If you do not want the information you give to us to be used in this way, or for us to contact you, please indicate by ticking the relevant boxes: Post  Email  SMS  Phone



Staying in contact with residents is really important to us. Please take a minute to fill out this survey and return it to us Freepost, so that we keep in touch with issues that are important to you and your family.

**Cllr Barbara Russel**  
**David Lidington MP**  
**Your Aylesbury Town Conservative Team**

**If you have time, tell us about any other issues that concern you.**

### 1 Which of these national issues do you consider to be of the most concern to you?

(Please tick all those which apply)

- |                                      |  |
|--------------------------------------|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Crime       | <input type="checkbox"/> Defence         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Economy     | <input type="checkbox"/> Education       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Environment | <input type="checkbox"/> Europe          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family      | <input type="checkbox"/> Foreign Affairs |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Health      | <input type="checkbox"/> Housing         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Immigration | <input type="checkbox"/> Jobs            |

### 2 Which of these local issues do you consider to be of the most concern to you?

(Please tick all those which apply)

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Crime                      | <input type="checkbox"/> HS2              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Speeding traffic           | <input type="checkbox"/> Council tax      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Rural development          | <input type="checkbox"/> Recycling        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Leisure facilities         | <input type="checkbox"/> Public transport |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Local schools              | <input type="checkbox"/> Road maintenance |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please state) ..... |   |