

Tom Brownlee

Originally from Edinburgh, Tom settled in the area ten years ago. As a secondary school teacher he is well aware of the damage being wreaked by the Tory-led coalition. Tom has been actively involved in his school and local communities long before Cameron's 'Big Society' gimmick. He helps to run a highly popular Duke of Edinburgh's Award group through his school, regularly taking youngsters on hiking and camping expeditions. He also runs a debating society as a way of getting teenagers involved in discussing the big issues. Locally, Tom is a regular at the Baldock Festival and is a supporter of Hitchin's Rhythms of the World where he can be found picking litter as a member of the festival Green Team. He is a keen runner and has taken part in two marathons in recent years, helping to raise money for the homelessness charity Street Child Africa in the process. He promises to be an energetic supporter of Baldock's interests in the council.

"If elected I pledge to:

- Work with other councillors to protect your frontline essential local services such as our local library – not make unfair cuts which will hit the least well-off the most
- Argue for a national policy of getting the deficit down through strong growth and sensible cuts – not by slashing too far, too fast, which puts our local economy at risk
- Work with community groups, businesses and individuals to find creative and imaginative ways to keep the Town Hall as a centrepiece of Baldock
- Urge NHDC to support the building of affordable new homes, including social housing, without sacrificing the character of this historic town
- Strive to ensure that the excellent work of the Baldock Town Partnership isn't jeopardised by loss of funding

"A glance at the Comet tells us that our vital public services such as housing, health, education and community facilities are under severe threat. If you want to register your opposition to the government, the Labour Party is the only realistic alternative. By voting Labour on May 5th you can be sure that the needs and interests of your community will have a voice in your local council and beyond."

Thursday 5th May



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Your Labour party candidate

