

A photograph of Sadiq Khan, the Mayor of London, sitting on a bus. He is wearing a dark blue suit jacket over a white shirt. The bus interior has blue and patterned seats and yellow handrails. In the top left corner, there is a red circular graphic containing the text 'Sadiq' and 'VOTE LABOUR'.

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FOREWORD

Leading our nation's capital continues to be one of the greatest privileges of my life. Undoubtedly, the best part of the job is having the opportunity to meet and serve Londoners across our city. Our communities are a constant source of inspiration – a reminder that our city is a place of energetic, caring and creative people with boundless promise.

Eight years ago, when I was given the chance to serve, I vowed to be a Mayor for all Londoners. Every day since, I have strived to put that principle into practice.

We've stepped up to help Londoners through the cost-of-living crisis by providing, for the first time ever, universal free school meals to all state primary pupils in our city, and introducing yet another annual TfL fares freeze. Under Labour, London is building again. We've started more new council homes than at any time since the 1970s, completed more homes than at any time since the 1930s, and we're building a record number of homes that Londoners can truly afford.

By reducing toxic air pollution by nearly half in central London, and planting more than half a million trees, we've become a beacon of environmental and climate progress the world over.

We've made getting around London more affordable, quicker and greener by delivering the Hopper bus fare, the Elizabeth line and the largest zero-emission bus fleet in western Europe.

We've invested record amounts in neighbourhood policing, funded 1,300 additional police officers, and set up England's first Violence Reduction Unit, which has helped provide more than 500,000 positive opportunities for young Londoners. We've put the Metropolitan Police Service on the path to meaningful, lasting reform so it can command the trust of all Londoners. And, as Mayor, I've loudly and proudly stood up for London's diverse communities.

Our city is a place where you can be who you are, worship who you want to worship and love who you want to love – a home for everyone.

These are some of the strides London has taken over the last eight years, and this manifesto is our chance to continue the progress we have made.

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mayoral election can also be the first step toward a decade of national renewal. Since the rebirth of London's government at the turn of the century, we've only enjoyed the partnership of a Labour Mayor working with a Labour Prime Minister for four years. But in that time, London secured the Olympics, started Crossrail and built over 8,000 social rented homes in one year. I'm excited about what we can achieve together.

This is a once in a generation moment – a chance to change people's lives for good and for better. We can finally turn the tide on the housing crisis, invest in our public services once again and provide all young Londoners with the opportunities they need to thrive. We can embrace the massive potential of the green economy to cut energy bills, create jobs and safeguard the future of our planet. And we can finish the job of reforming the Met and ensure London stands proud as the safest and most diverse global city in the world.



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Every election is a choice. On 2 May, we must decide whether to continue going forwards or risk sliding back.

This election is a close two-horse race between me and the Tory candidate, who talks London down at every opportunity, who seeks to divide rather than unite our communities, and who clearly doesn't share London's values. And we don't have to imagine what the Tories would do to London – the disasters they've wreaked on our country over 14 years in government tell us everything we need to know. Their legacy is one of catastrophic decisions which sent rents and mortgages skyrocketing. A Tory botched Brexit which has weakened both our economy and our standing in the world. An austerity programme that has caused crises in our NHS, schools, care homes, the police and beyond. And at every turn, they've attempted to sow division and discord within our communities.

We can't allow the Tories to do to our capital what they've done to our country.

Now is the time to build on our success. We have the capacity to make our city even greater, but only with a Labour Mayor who is on the side of Londoners.

This manifesto sets out how we can tackle inequality and meet the huge challenges that still face our city, with bold, fresh and exciting commitments that will not only support Londoners through the cost-of-living crisis right now, but build a brighter future for us all.

London gave me the opportunities to go from the council estate where I grew up to being Mayor of the greatest city on earth. And I'm more determined than ever to ensure that all Londoners – irrespective of race, gender, religion, sexual orientation, disability, class or background – get the same shot at fulfilling their potential.

So let's continue to build a better London for everyone – a city that is fairer, safer, greener, more prosperous and more affordable for all our communities.

Together, and with a Labour government, there's no limit to what we can achieve.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sadiq". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a long horizontal stroke underneath the name.

Sadiq Khan



SADIQ'S TOP 20 ACHIEVEMENTS

Free school meals

All state primary school pupils in London are now receiving Free School Meals thanks to Sadiq – ensuring no child goes hungry in the classroom and saving parents up to £1,000 per child over two years.



A golden era of council housebuilding

Council homebuilding under Sadiq has hit a higher level than at any time since the 1970s. Last year it was more than double the rest of the country combined.



Fares frozen again

While national rail fares continue to rise, Sadiq has stepped in to freeze TfL fares until March 2025 – giving Londoners much-needed respite from the cost-of-living crisis. This is the fifth time Sadiq has frozen fares as Mayor – saving Londoners hundreds of pounds.



Record affordable housebuilding

There's more to do, but on Sadiq's watch, overall housebuilding completions in London have reached levels not seen since the 1930s, with record-breaking genuinely affordable homebuilding at the heart of this – exceeding the Government's target and starting 25,000 homes last year alone.



More police on the streets

In the face of massive Tory cuts to policing, Sadiq has taken action to protect the frontline – funding an additional 1,300 police officers from City Hall’s budget, and restoring neighbourhood policing in London’s communities.



Providing more than 500,000 positive opportunities for young Londoners

Sadiq has invested record sums in youth clubs and services – not only to tackle the causes of crime, but to ensure that all young Londoners can fulfil their potential. The constructive activities he’s funding are helping to steer young people away from criminal gangs and violence and towards education and employment.



Improving public transport

The son of a bus driver, Sadiq’s commitment to public transport has always been unwavering. As Mayor, he’s got the Superloop, the Night Tube and the Elizabeth line all up and running, as well as extensions to the Northern line and the Overground – making it easier, faster and more sustainable for Londoners to move around the greatest city in the world.



The Hopper

Hundreds of millions of journeys have been made with the Hopper bus fare introduced by Sadiq – making transport more affordable for millions of Londoners. The popular policy allows Londoners to make unlimited journeys on buses and trams for just £1.75 within an hour of tapping in.



Standing up for renters

Sadiq has consistently fought the corner of London’s renters, calling for rent controls, better rights and protections, and stronger action against unscrupulous landlords who fail to ensure their properties meet basic safety standards. To help renters fight back, he has introduced his pioneering rogue landlord and property licence checkers – these have been used hundreds of thousands of times by Londoners, enabling them to claw back thousands of pounds.



Helping London’s homeless

Sadiq has quadrupled City Hall’s rough sleeping budget, helping more than 16,000 people off London’s streets. He’s also delivered more than a thousand long-term homes for rough sleepers, which are helping some of London’s most vulnerable citizens rebuild their lives.



World-leading action to tackle air pollution and the climate emergency



Sadiq has introduced the world's largest clean air zone – the ULEZ – and helped to cut toxic air pollution by nearly half in central London. He's also launched a £500 million fund to cut carbon emissions and create green jobs.

1,400 zero-emission buses on London's roads



Sadiq has rapidly expanded London's fleet of green buses, with the capital now boasting more than any other city in Western Europe. He's also delivered a four-fold increase in the number of public electric vehicle charge points, with London now having more than 18,000 – a third of the UK's total.

Half a million trees planted



Sadiq has prioritised protecting and expanding London's green spaces, planting more than half a million trees and creating or restoring the equivalent of more than 300 football pitches of habitat for London's wildlife.

Encouraging cycling and boosting infrastructure



Sadiq has delivered a five-fold increase in protected cycling lanes – helping more Londoners to feel safe and confident in swapping four wheels for two. He has promoted active travel policies, including walking and cycling, that benefit the health of people and our planet.

Most pro-business Mayor ever



Sadiq has never stopped banging the drum for London as the best place in the world to invest, start and scale-up a business. He has worked flat out to attract jobs, talent and tourism to our city, backing firms large and small to kick-start London's pandemic recovery and create growth, opportunities and prosperity for our communities. Sadiq's growth agency, London & Partners, has brought an extra £1.52bn of gross value added, and over one million additional tourists to the London economy since 2016. Sadiq also set up a single front door to support micro, small and medium-sized businesses called Grow London Local, which is already working with hundreds of small firms to link them to training, funding and advice.

330,000 new jobs created through City Hall initiatives



Working in partnership with businesses, Sadiq has used the power of the Mayoralty to help create 330,000 new jobs in London, with a focus on secure, high-quality, well-paid posts that enable Londoners to get on. As part of this effort, he's proudly championed the London Living Wage – since he took office, there has been a sixfold increase in employers paying the London Living Wage, with an hourly increase of 40 percent.

A mentor for every young Londoner in need



To help young people get the guidance and support they need to make the right choices in life, Sadiq is funding a flagship mentorship programme across the city. This is giving young Londoners in need extra support, so they can make the most of their talents.

Skilling-up Londoners



Sadiq has introduced a major new skills offer for the capital, with free training now available to any Londoner aged 19 and over who is unemployed, on a low income or has limited formal education. He has also helped more than a million learners access courses through his adult skills programmes, equipping Londoners with the knowledge and qualifications they need to get into good work.

Leading the way on police reform



After a series of scandals, Sadiq took decisive action to put the Metropolitan Police on a path of far-reaching systemic and cultural reform, starting with the appointment of a new Commissioner and an independent review to shine a light on the institutional racism, misogyny and homophobia that still exist. He will not rest until Londoners have a police service that is representative, trusted and truly fit for purpose.

Defending London's values



Sadiq has always stood up for London's values of openness, equality and inclusion. While others have tried to divide our city's communities, Sadiq has worked tirelessly to unite people because he believes diversity is a strength, not a weakness, and that he has a responsibility to lead by example, building bridges, not walls. Whether it's advocating for the rights of EU citizens, being an ally to LGBTQI+ Londoners, or celebrating the contribution of all our faith communities, Sadiq has never shied away from upholding London's values.

TOP 10

MANIFESTO PLEDGES

Work to make universal free school meals

permanent for all state primary school children



Freeze TfL fares until at least 2025 and continue to freeze fares for as long as economic conditions allow



Build **40,000 new council homes** by the end of the decade



Work with a Labour government to put an extra **1,300 neighbourhood police officers** and PCSOs on the streets



Invest more in **youth clubs** – creating 250,000 positive opportunities for young Londoners to help steer them away from gangs and crime



Redouble efforts to reduce violence against women and girls,

including investment to stop reoffending and free legal advice for victims of sexual abuse



End rough sleeping

for good by 2030 in partnership with a Labour government



More support for renters – delivering **new affordable 'rent control homes'** and empowering Londoners to take on landlords through a New Deal for Renters



Continue world-leading action to tackle air pollution and the climate crisis

– from making all buses zero-emission to providing air pollution filters to primary schools



Deliver a new London Growth Plan, with a target of **creating more than 150,000 good jobs by 2028**

and increasing living standards for Londoners







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KEY PLEDGES

- **Build 40,000 new council homes by the end of the decade**
- **Unblock affordable housebuilding by creating new Land Assembly Zones and Mayoral Development Corporations**
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- **End rough sleeping for good by 2030 in partnership with a Labour government**
- **Bring in a Holiday Hope initiative, providing activities during school holidays**
- **Explore a new Erasmus-style scheme for young Londoners**

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MAKING

LONDON FAIRER



Making London a fairer city has been at the heart of all I've tried to do as Mayor since 2016.

London gave me the most incredible opportunities – I'm the son of a bus driver and a seamstress who made it all the way to becoming Mayor of this great city. But of course I didn't do it all on my own. From growing up on a council estate, to getting free school meals and the opportunity to be mentored, I got a helping hand so that I could take advantage of all that London has to offer.

These opportunities to succeed should be available to everyone,

which is why I strive to make London a city that works for all, where everyone can share its prosperity – regardless of age, gender, race, religion, disability, sexual orientation or background.

Tackling inequality and making London fairer is not only the right thing to do, it benefits us all. The wasted potential of so many lives only makes us all weaker economically and as a society. When people can't contribute, we lose talents that go unnurtured, ideas that don't get shared and human energy that remains untapped.

I strive to break down barriers and lay down a path to a city where everyone is equally respected, equally valued and has a stake in our society.

Tackling the housing crisis

Every Londoner should be able to afford somewhere they can call home, but far too many people in our city are being priced out. The housing crisis is a huge challenge, decades in the making, and there's no simple fix. But we have shown over recent years that, with the right approach and the right priorities, it's possible to make progress.



I know from personal experience the vital role council housing plays by providing security for families, so I pledge to continue investing in new council housing and, working with a Labour government, commit to building at least 40,000 new council homes by 2030.



Instead of the luxury penthouse apartments that were prioritised in the past, we have delivered homes that Londoners can actually afford. We smashed the government's target of building 116,000 new genuinely affordable homes, trebling delivery from the level

inherited from the previous Mayor, in contrast with Tory ministers who missed their national target. We have also ushered in a new golden era of council housebuilding, with more new council homes started last year than at any time since the 1970s, and double the number in the rest of England combined. There is clearly still much more to do, but we have laid the foundations for more progress over the years ahead.

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To unblock more new homes, I will take decisive action where needed to create new Land Assembly Zones and set up more Mayoral Development Corporations to boost overall housing supply and drive regeneration. These will deliver new sustainable communities with homes for first-time buyers as well as homes for social rent. I'll work with a Labour government to strengthen planning so that the London Plan can go even further in supporting the delivery of the affordable housing our city needs, while unlocking economic growth and being the greenest ever plan for our city.



Building on the recommendations in the Kerslake Review on housing, I'll deliver an expanded City Hall developer so that we can build more of the low-cost housing that's desperately needed. We will also take steps to integrate the City Hall developer's governance and functions with TfL's property company, Places for London, using the strengths of both teams to expand and accelerate the delivery of new genuinely affordable homes.

By supporting councils in buying back former council homes, and with our programme to convert private housing to council housing, we have already helped to expand the supply of good-

quality temporary accommodation and to help address the crisis of overcrowding. But there is more to do, so in my next term I will establish a taskforce on overcrowding which will report to my Homes for Londoners board.

I will continue to campaign for an end to the feudal leasehold system and its replacement with Commonhold.

I also want to do more to improve the condition of social housing, and I'll work with boroughs to expand the use of technology to solve problems, like sensors to detect and take action on damp and mould in homes, and enforce against fly tipping and pollution.

Supporting renters

I'm determined to continue standing up for renters across London, who have seen their rents soar in recent years, including in the wake of the disastrous mini-Budget which crashed the economy when Liz Truss was prime minister. We have already ensured that residents get a say over estate regeneration, and are helping to crack down on the worst landlords with our Rogue Landlord Checker and Property License Checker. I have also stood up for renters by lobbying the government to ban tenant fees, scrap Section 21 'no fault' evictions, freeze London rents during the cost-of-living crisis and devolve powers to me to control rent in the capital.

But we need to do more to support renters in London. So I commit to building new Rent Control Homes, which will see rents capped and linked to the incomes of key workers. The first phase of the Rent Control Homes initiative will see 6,000 being built across the city – in areas where they are needed most.

Working with a Labour government, I will also deliver a New Deal for Renters in London. Successive Tory housing ministers have blocked boroughs from using licensing powers that would allow them to take tougher action against dodgy landlords. I'll work with a Labour

government to ensure we can use those powers to take action against the poorest performing landlords, and I'll make the case for exploring where further powers are best devolved to London. I'll also support renters to take dodgy landlords to tribunals to get up to 24 months of rent refunded.

I will also back renters to defend their rights, with advice and guidance, including funding for groups such as renters' unions. And I will act to hold all landlords to account on housing standards, including freezing any funding they receive from City Hall when necessary.

Tackling homelessness

I refuse to accept that homelessness and rough sleeping are inevitable and that it is somehow a feature of our society, particularly in big cities like London.

Since 2016, I've quadrupled funding and support to tackle rough sleeping in London, helping to get over 16,000 rough sleepers off the streets for good. But we've had to swim against the tide of a Tory government that's made the situation so much worse, including the erosion of our social safety net, cuts to vital local services and the mismanagement of the economy that's sent mortgages and rents through the roof. This has led to the shocking situation



where, on average, one child in every classroom in London is homeless and living in temporary accommodation.

I pledge to go further and faster. If I'm re-elected Mayor, I will set London on a course to end rough sleeping by 2030. We will put a new rough sleeping action plan in place, which will include: increasing investment from City Hall; co-ordinating with partners across London who share the same goal; investing in new hubs across London that will allow us to help an extra 1,700 rough sleepers off the streets

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a year; and working closely with a new Labour government to tackle the root causes of homelessness and rough sleeping. The last Labour government all but eradicated rough sleeping in the capital – I am confident that together we can complete the process.

Standing up for workers

As Mayor, I've stood up for workers' rights and worked with Trade Unions to do all I can to ensure our economy works for all Londoners. If re-elected, I commit to continuing to make London a Living Wage city, and to proudly championing the London Living Wage, which has seen a six-fold increase in employers paying it and at a rate that's increased by 40 per cent since I took office.

I will increase the number of companies signed up to our Good Work Standard, which promotes the best possible employment practice, and I'll continue to work with London's anchor institutions – the big public sector employers, including universities, the NHS and the Met Police – to invest billions in small and medium-sized businesses. I'll continue to support the London Ownership Hub to realise the benefits of democratic and cooperative business, and demonstrate a sustained commitment to a London economy where prosperity is felt by all Londoners. I'll also continue to stand up for migrant workers' rights and protect them from exploitation.

Working with a Labour government, we will go even further, delivering a New Deal for Working People: our plan to make work pay. The biggest levelling up of workers' rights in decades, this will bring the world of

work into the 21st century, upgrading rights and regulations so they are fit for the modern economy. As the party of working people, Labour will ensure that employees have greater certainty and security and the ability to plan for the future. Labour's New Deal will help to end the Conservative cycle of low pay, low investment and low productivity.

Private Hire Vehicle (PHV) drivers are an essential part of our economy, keeping our city moving around the clock in all seasons. I'll work with TfL and Trade Unions to support PHV drivers, including investing in CCTV to keep them and their customers safe, and support and encourage operators in their development of hubs for professional drivers, where they can rest and have access to toilet and kitchen facilities, helping them to stay safe and ensure their comfort. I'll also create a new PHV taskforce to explore what else we can do to make life easier for these essential workers.

As the cost of living continues to hit Londoners, we need to ensure that wages keep up. So I'll carry out a review of recruitment and retention of public sector workers in London, including London weighting, to ensure that we can recruit and retain the people we need to make our city the best in the world, while always ensuring value for money for the taxpayer.



Giving young Londoners the opportunities to thrive

London gave me the opportunities I needed to go from a council estate to being elected the Mayor of the greatest city on earth. I believe that every young Londoner – regardless of their race, gender, religion, disability, class, sexual orientation or background – should have the same chances I was given, not just to survive, but to thrive.

That's why my overarching mission for London is to ensure that all

Londoners get the opportunities that our city gave to me and my family. There should always be a helping hand to lead you along the path to fulfilling your potential – something that is needed now more than ever.

I'm proud of the work we are already doing – from providing free school meals for children in state primary schools and pairing 100,000 young Londoners in need with a quality mentor, to offering free skills training to Londoners who are unemployed or in low-paid work.



I not only commit to continuing to deliver these truly transformational policies, but to going further. For example, our holiday hunger initiative has been helping to feed children out of term time, but I want to do more to support young Londoners and parents during the school holidays. So I plan to build on this offer by investing in a new Holiday Hope policy which will provide youth services and activities during the school holidays. We will also work with partners to provide free access to sports facilities for children outside of term time.

Brexit has had a profound impact on young people who didn't get a say in determining the country's future. One of the many casualties of Brexit has been the scrapping of the UK's involvement in the Erasmus scheme, which allowed young people to take courses abroad. It's not right that young Londoners are missing out on these opportunities. So I will work with international partners in the C40 cities network and businesses to explore the creation of a similar scheme, which would allow young people to study and undertake work experience overseas.

We know the vital importance of good childcare in the early years – both for parents and children – but the Tory government is failing to deliver. Labour is committed to reforming childcare and early years support so children have the best possible start in life. From City Hall, we will work to ensure no parent misses out on available support by making childcare entitlements an explicit part of our work with advice services in London. And we'll work with London's anchor institutions and our Good Work Standard employers to roll out policies that support workers with young children.

Helping Londoners to live in good health

Under the Tory government, our NHS in London is on its knees, with many Londoners struggling to access the care they need. As Mayor, I will continue to be a champion for our NHS and use the London Health Board to advocate for the rights of Londoners and, with a new Labour government committed to building an NHS fit for the future, I will use the board to drive through the improvements that our health and care system in London is crying out for.

Mental health is a public health emergency, particularly for young Londoners. We know that the impact of the pandemic, social

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media and the cost-of-living crisis are all contributing to greater levels of poor mental health amongst our young people, and I will take action to support them. This includes ensuring that trusted adults are equipped to help by providing mental health first aid training for mentors in London and piloting new mental health initiatives focused in and around secondary schools. With a Labour government, we will build on these pilots and deliver mental health hubs for young people across our city.

Londoners face vast inequalities when it comes to their health, with significantly different outcomes and experiences depending on their race, ethnicity and where they live. This is unacceptable, so I will continue to tackle these inequities through my Health Inequalities Strategy, and ensure that City Hall considers the health impacts of all our policies.

Heart disease remains the main cause of early death in Londoners. As Mayor, I have ensured that TfL

has installed publicly accessible defibrillators (PAD) in every station across the network. I will build on this to ensure more Londoners have access to life-saving treatment when they need it.

I'm proud of our work in making London a healthier environment for our children, from supporting school streets and banning junk food advertising on the TfL estate to supporting the roll-out of 'water-only' schools and school super zones that help make the area in and around a school healthier for children. I'll look for more opportunities to improve the health of children in our city.

I will also take a public-health approach to tackling the harm drugs cause individuals, families and communities. This will include robust enforcement against drug dealers and working with partners to ensure treatment and recovery plans are available.

London for everyone

London is inclusive, generous and outward-looking – a place that is open to all. I'll always defend our compassionate, progressive, internationalist and anti-racist values. They not only make London special, but the greatest city in the world.



Whether it's advocating for the rights of EU citizens, being an ally to LGBTQI+ Londoners, or celebrating the contribution of all our faith communities, I will never shy away from upholding London's values and standing up for openness, equality and inclusion.

We all make London what it is, and as Mayor I want to ensure we all get a chance to experience every aspect of what makes our city so extraordinary and exciting. As part of this, I'll create new forums for disabled Londoners to engage with TfL, the London Fire Brigade and the Met Police to ensure their voices are heard in shaping the future of our city.

Since 2016, when only a quarter of Tube stations had step-free access, an additional 24 Tube stations have been made step-free or opened as new step-free stations, bringing the total to 92 – a third of the Underground network. We'll build on that success so that half the Tube is step-free by 2030. I stood up to the Tory government when they wanted to take away child and over 60 concessions on the transport network and I'll go further to make our city accessible by developing a plan to help neurodiverse passengers and Londoners living with dementia better navigate the TfL network. I've committed to invest at least £3m a year from City Hall to provide more toilets on the TfL estate



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– the first time City Hall has made a significant and recurring investment in public toilets. I'll also explore what more TfL and online mapping providers can do to signpost people to public toilets and water fountains.

I'll keep championing the contribution and rights of migrants and campaign for swifter justice for the Windrush generation, who have suffered a terrible injustice under the Tory government's hostile environment policy. The Post Office scandal demonstrates how ministers can move more quickly when under pressure, and I'll campaign for the Windrush Compensation Scheme to speed up properly, and be taken away from the Home Office if it continues to fail.

I'll continue to work with partners to implement my age-friendly action plan. I'll also maintain my support for schemes such as the dementia-friendly city initiative and

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the pension credit uptake drive that's seen more than £8m go into the pockets of older Londoners who were missing out on benefits they were entitled to.

I'm proud to have signed the Armed Forces Covenant and to have appointed an Armed Forces Champion at City Hall. I'll continue to support Londoners who serve in the military throughout and after their careers.

I'll ensure we complete the work to make London's public realm reflect our true diversity, with support for new statues to commemorate the victims of the Transatlantic slave trade and the members of our Sikh community who gave their lives in defence of our country, and a new permanent memorial to victims of HIV/AIDS. And I'll maintain my full support for the Queen Elizabeth Memorial Committee and its important work to ensure there is a fitting memorial to Her late Majesty.

While others try to divide, I'll continue to work tirelessly to unite people. Every Londoner has a right to feel valued, welcomed and loved. LGBTQI+ Londoners give so much to our city. I'll never stop being an ally, and I'll continue doing all I can to show the LGBTQI+ community how valued they are, from working with the Met to ensure they can keep LGBTQI+ Londoners safe to campaigning for London to show its pride on a global stage by bidding to host WorldPride for the first time since 2012.

As a Mayor for all Londoners, I remain committed to celebrating the enormous contribution all our vibrant communities make. Our diversity is not a weakness, but our greatest strength – I am proud to have delivered a full programme of community events on Trafalgar Square, from St George's Day, to St Patrick's Day, to Chanukah, Eid, Vaisakhi and the incredibly successful inaugural Black on the Square. I'll do even more to make the Greater London Authority a truly anti-racist organisation, ensuring the City Hall workforce is representative of Londoners, and continue making progress at TfL, the London Fire Brigade and the Met Police. I'll also support the roll-out of lessons from the Workforce Integration Network to provide more opportunities for Londoners from Black and other minority ethnic backgrounds.





Making
London
safer

KEY PLEDGES

- ④ **Work with a Labour government to put an extra 1,300 neighbourhood police officers and PCSOs on the streets**
- ④ **Invest more in youth clubs – creating 250,000 positive opportunities for young Londoners to help steer them away from gangs and crime**
- ④ **Support the Met to take tougher action against perpetrators of burglary, theft and robberies**
- ④ **Redouble efforts to reduce violence against women and girls, including investment to stop reoffending and free legal advice for victims of sexual abuse**
- ④ **Strengthen partnerships to help the Met disrupt criminal gangs and take weapons off our streets**
- ④ **Ensure the Met police reforms and rebuilds trust with Londoners**



MAKING LONDON SAFER

Keeping Londoners safe has been – and will continue to be – my top priority as Mayor.

Thanks to our approach, despite our population rising by more than a million people, we have seen a reduction in homicides, gun crime, burglary and the number of young people being injured with knives in London since 2016. But it's clear that, across the country and in London, the levels of crime remain far too high.

The truth is, we are being held back by the Tory government. The national cuts since 2010 have been a disaster for combatting crime across the country, particularly youth violence. The Tories have cut £1bn from the Met police and £1bn a year from youth services nationally in real terms since 2010, which has had a devastating impact on the vital support needed to keep communities safe. Cuts at this scale have serious consequences.



As Mayor, I've stepped in to fill the financial gaps left by the government as much as possible, investing record amounts from City Hall to support our police. This includes investing an additional £151m in policing and crime reduction this year alone. Overall, I have doubled the funding that goes to the police from City Hall compared to the previous Mayor.

I'm determined to continue leading from the front by being both tough on crime and tough on the complex causes of crime, and look forward to the chance of working with a Labour government, led by Keir Starmer, that will put in place a proper long-

term plan to improve police and youth services to help us build a safer London for everyone.

Tough on crime

As Mayor, I will continue to invest in policing, and ensure the police in London have the resources they need.

Since 2016, I've doubled the annual investment in the police from City Hall compared to the previous Mayor. This has put 1,300 more police officers on the streets. But we need more police officers in London to help us bear down on crime further. That's why I have committed to

putting an extra 500 neighbourhood Police Community Support Officers (PSCOs) on the streets across London, to help us reduce antisocial behaviour, catch criminals and take weapons off our streets. With a Labour government that will reform procurement and shared services, we'll deliver up to 1,300 more officers, PCSOs & Special Constables in local neighbourhoods across London. We'll also work with Labour to reduce knife crime and reduce violence against women and girls. The last Labour government reduced crime by a third and violent crime came down by 40% across the country. This demonstrates the difference that can be made with a Labour Mayor and a Labour government working hand-in-hand.

I have committed £2.5m of investment from City Hall to help bring about a dramatic improvement in the Met's response to 999 calls. I'll continue to ensure the Met is able to effectively respond to the public, including maintaining a 24-hour police front office counter in every borough.

We now have more than 77,000 CCTV cameras on the public transport network in London. I will further boost the police's ability to identify criminals by expanding CCTV coverage, ensuring we have finalised plans for CCTV on the Bakerloo Line, the last line to have

cameras on trains, alongside increased CCTV on bus shelters and in black taxis, private hire vehicles and minicabs. I'll work with the Met police and boroughs to ensure that an upgrade of the fibre network in London will make CCTV more of an effective tool for catching criminals.



I'm determined to continue leading from the front by being both tough on crime and tough on the complex causes of crime.



I will make funding available for more equipment for police officers out on patrol, and for additional knife wands in schools and elsewhere when needed. I'll also continue to support and hold the Met police to account in decreasing the number of weapons on our streets, and in working to proactively pursue and disrupt the highest harm criminal gangs in London. I'll do more to ensure that local authorities and other services working with young people are able to partner effectively with the Met, and protect those most at risk from the impacts of criminal gangs.



I'll support the police in taking tougher action against perpetrators of burglary, theft and robberies, including focused operations across robbery hotspot areas, using police vehicles and technology to respond to incidents and to target offenders who use e-scooters and mopeds to commit offences, as well as identifying and pursuing the 100 top repeat robbery offenders in London.

If re-elected, I'll continue to work closely with the specialist Business Crime team in the Met police and partners to crack down on crimes including shoplifting, which has increased across the country during

the cost-of-living crisis. I will also ensure the police continue working with small business representatives and trade unions to stamp out unacceptable violence against shopworkers and frontline workers.

I'll also work with phone companies and vehicle manufacturers to do more to design out theft and robbery. If these industries don't move fast enough voluntarily, then we will work with a future Labour government to intervene and help us crack down on theft and robbery in London.

Tough on the causes of crime

I will always be tough on crime and support the police to bear down on criminals. But we know we will never be able to simply arrest our way out of the problem, particularly with youth violence, because the causes of violent crime are extremely complex. They involve deep-seated issues, including poverty, inequality and a lack of opportunities for young people, all of which have been made far worse by more than a decade of Tory austerity and the decimation of youth services across the country.

That's why I will continue to be tough on the complex causes of crime, building on our groundbreaking work in this area. Since 2016, I've been working to fill the gaps left by

government cuts – investing millions in creating positive opportunities for young Londoners through our Young Londoners Fund and New Deal for Young People, funding activities for children during the school holidays, and establishing England’s first Violence Reduction Unit, which has been leading a public health approach to tackling violence, rooted in prevention and early intervention.

Our funding so far has helped create more than 500,000 positive opportunities for young Londoners, providing additional youth workers and mentors alongside more support for families and local communities, and delivering programmes inside and outside school hours to divert vulnerable young people away from criminal gangs and crime, and towards training and employment. All of this work has contributed to a fall in homicides, gun crime and the number of young people being injured with knives in London since 2016. However, it’s clear that violent crime – though lower than the England and Wales average – remains far too high, and there’s much more to do.

I’m determined to continue leading from the front by doing more to tackle the complex causes of crime. That’s why I commit to investing in more youth clubs and providing

investment to fund 250,000 more positive opportunities for young Londoners. This will include access to quality mentoring, alongside investment in more youth workers with a particular focus on schools, pupil referral units, custody centres and major A&Es. Because we know that young people are safer in school, I will continue to champion London’s Inclusion Charter to support keeping young people in school.



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I’ll also continue to work closely with families affected by violence, and to pioneer local solutions. My Violence Reduction Unit’s groundbreaking ‘MyEnds’ programme is helping fund local community leaders and groups in taking action to support young Londoners and prevent violent crime in their neighbourhoods. I will expand this approach, with a focus on those areas most affected by violence in London. We know that the best way to reduce violence in the long term is to promote community involvement, and put local people, including

young Londoners, at the heart of designing community-led prevention projects.

I will also take more action to prevent robberies by young Londoners, which often take place during the hours after school. This will include funding new opportunities through sport and the arts, investing in after-school activities, and helping young Londoners get jobs and work experience during the school holidays. We will also continue supporting children and young adults who are being exploited, helping them to leave gangs and take a better path in life.

Drugs are a major driver of crime and I'll continue to support the Met to take tough enforcement action, alongside a community-focused approach that reduces the harm to drug users while disrupting supply chains for drugs and diverting young people away from both using and selling drugs. I'll also continue to work with the Met and communities to roll out the 'clear, hold, build' approach, where the police pursue gang members and then maintain a presence in the area to prevent other criminal groups from taking control. We will also work with communities to help an area become less susceptible to organised crime groups.

I'll also continue to work with the Met to boost neighbourhood policing and help them crack down on the scourge of Antisocial Behaviour (ASB). In addition to the 500 additional PCSOs I'm funding from City Hall, there is now a Borough Superintendent in every London local authority, helping ward level officers to work closely with communities and tackle ASB and neighbourhood crime.

Reducing violence against women and girls

Violence against women and girls (VAWG) across our country is still too common – whether it's harassment, abuse, sexual assault, rape or domestic violence.

In the UK, a violent man kills a woman every three days. It's simply not right that women and girls routinely live in fear. As Mayor, the safety of women in London has been a top priority for me. Action has included record investment in programmes to support the victims of violence, to target perpetrators and remove the threat of dangerous individuals in our communities, and to tackle the misogynistic attitudes that allow certain crimes to continue.

Our innovative work in London has included pioneering Project Bluestone, which led to a national

change in the way rape is investigated and prosecuted – if re-elected, I will work with partners to take a similar approach, changing the way domestic abuse is investigated and prosecuted too. We developed an anti-VAWG toolkit for schools. We delivered the groundbreaking 'Have a Word' behaviour change campaign to help tackle the toxic attitudes displayed by some men. We appointed London's first victims' commissioner. And, during the pandemic, we set up safe emergency accommodation for victims of domestic abuse, encouraging the government to do the same.

But I want every woman and girl to be safe, and to feel safe – whatever time of day, whatever they are wearing and wherever they are in the capital. Sadly, we are still far from this goal in our country and in London, so I pledge to redouble our efforts. I will:

- Continue to work with the Met Commissioner to reform policing, so that women have confidence that the right people are working in a reformed Met police, as well as ensuring those officers are equipped and ready to crack down on perpetrators of violence against women and girls
- Invest in work to support victims and victim support organisations while also investing in efforts to stop perpetrators from reoffending
- Build on London's groundbreaking work in tagging domestic abuse offenders, and expanding it to tagging those convicted of non-domestic abuse-related stalking offences
- Work with the Met to drive up detection and conviction rates on domestic abuse, rape and stalking
- Continue working with the Met and partners to improve the safety of women in public spaces, including driving even more organisations to sign up to the Women's Night Safety Charter
- Continue to support London's Victims' Commissioner – a role that I'm proud to have created – in the crucial work of standing up for London's victims of crime



- Develop a new VAWG criminal justice partnership initiative, bringing together the Met Police and the CPS to improve case file quality in order to radically improve the speed and success of bringing perpetrators to justice
- Pilot free legal advice for victims and survivors of sexual abuse
- Fund new longer-term homes for survivors of domestic abuse to give those fleeing violence a place to stay
- Build on our pioneering work to tackle misogyny with a renewed focus on schools, including a new initiative to develop a generation of young leaders who are empowered to stand up and speak out, instead of being bystanders

Reforming the police and ensuring trust and confidence in our emergency services

As Mayor, I've been determined to shine a spotlight on the true extent of the performance and cultural problems within the Met. This pressure resulted in Baroness Casey's review, which found the Met to be institutionally racist, sexist and homophobic.

I have ensured the Met is now on a path of far-reaching reform, with new leadership committed to change. We are starting to see progress – those who are not fit to wear a police uniform are being dealt with robustly, there are stricter checks on becoming a police officer, there is greater support for victims of crime, and a real focus on neighbourhood policing. However, it's clear there's still much more to do to clean up the force, rebuild public trust and confidence and ensure police officers understand and respond to the needs and concerns of London's communities, particularly those who have been let down for far too long.

We are rightly proud of our system of policing by consent: the public entrust police officers with powers – including powers to use force or deprive someone of their liberty – to help keep us safe. Trust and confidence are therefore essential to the police's ability to do their

job. Whilst trust and confidence has stabilised, it is still too low, and we know that it is significantly lower amongst women, black and ethnic minority Londoners, the LGBTQI+ community and those with a disability.



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The Met has now published its reform plan, A New Met For London. Londoners will rightly judge this plan on actions not words, and I will be unflinching both in supporting the Met and the Commissioner, and in holding them to account to deliver on the commitments they have set out. I will support and challenge the Met to make lasting change to its culture, improve the service it provides to Londoners and improve its relationship with all communities.

I'm impatient for change and the clock is ticking. I have established the first-ever London Policing Board, which includes experts from a diverse range of backgrounds, to help support and hold the police to account in a public forum. I'll ensure this policing board can carry on its vital work. I will deliver on the recommendation in Baroness



Casey's report to commission independent progress reviews into the Met. I'll also work with communities to build a new model for police scrutiny, with the aim of making it easier and simpler for Londoners to scrutinise the work of the police and influence change.

I see police reform as a critical part of my Mayoralty, and I will not be satisfied until Londoners have the police service they deserve – one that is trusted, puts communities first, is representative of London and delivers the highest possible service to every

community in our city. London cannot afford to go backwards with a Tory Mayor who has opposed every effort I have made to reform the Met since 2016.

It's essential that Londoners have trust and confidence in all our frontline workers, who are there to keep us safe. That's why I'll also ensure the London Fire Brigade (LFB) continues to take action to transform its culture, implements a zero-tolerance approach to racism, sexism and homophobia, and better reflects the communities it serves.

Ensuring London is prepared for the challenges of the future

As a busy global city, London faces a range of unique threats – from terrorist attacks to extreme weather as a result of the climate crisis. I will continue to work closely with the police, the LFB, other emergency services, security partners, businesses, boroughs and communities to tackle these threats.

I will also commission work on how the terror threat continues to change and evolve, to ensure we can be as prepared as possible. And I will provide funding to London's boroughs to empower communities to better prepare, respond and recover from emergencies.

Through the Shared Endeavour Fund, we will continue to invest in community projects that help tackle hate, counter violent extremism and build understanding, tolerance and community cohesion. In particular, we will work to bear down on both antisemitism and Islamophobia, which have tragically flared up following the conflict in the Middle East.

I will do everything in my power to campaign for justice for those affected by the Grenfell Tower fire and to prevent another tragedy like this from ever happening again. The LFB has implemented all the recommendations coming out of the Grenfell Tower Inquiry (GTI) Phase 1. I will ensure the LFB responds in full to the recommendations coming out of GTI Phase 2, and lobby the government to do the same. I will also ensure there are no cuts to the LFB frontline and no fire station closures.

I will lobby for better government regulation of lithium-ion battery powered e-bikes and e-scooters. Good quality e-bikes and TfL-licensed e-scooters can be a great option for people to move around our city, but we need better regulation to prevent poor quality products, which carry significant fire risk and have already led to devastating deaths and injuries, from being sold.



Making
London
greener

KEY PLEDGES

- **Deliver a 100 per cent zero-emission bus fleet by 2030 and air pollution filters in primary schools**
- **Work with partners to get to 40,000 electric vehicle charging points in London**
- **Help provide more than 40,000 new public bike parking spaces**
- **Help schools in London reach net zero**
- **Introduce a new Green Roots Fund for community green spaces**
- **Develop a bold plan for swimmable rivers within 10 years**



MAKING

LONDON GREENER

Back in 2016, I promised to make London one of the world's greenest cities. I'm proud that we've delivered on that promise.

London has become a true world-leader when it comes to tackling the climate crisis, cleaning up our air and growing our green economy.

We have won National Park City status, created the world's largest

clean air zone, planted more than half a million trees, started a rewilding revolution, invested millions in green jobs and led the way in turning our capital into a global centre for green finance.

I want to build on this incredible progress and continue to lead the way on climate action, expanding access to green spaces and helping nature to flourish in our city.

Tackling the climate crisis

I'm determined to ensure that London continues to be a global leader in tackling the climate crisis – one of the biggest threats we face today. We have an ambitious target of making London a net zero-carbon city by 2030 – faster than any comparable city – and a key part of achieving this goal will be going further on generating clean energy and making London's existing buildings more energy efficient.



I'm determined to ensure that London continues to be a global leader in tackling the climate crisis – one of the biggest threats we face today.



So I'll work with councils and housing associations in London to forge a bold new approach to retrofitting buildings so that we can upgrade more homes and offices and reduce energy costs. A Labour government nationally, committed to the UK becoming a climate leader once again, would help accelerate this work. This would be in stark contrast to the Conservatives, who have become a party of climate change deniers and delayers.

I will also pilot working with schools in London to help them not only to cut their energy bills, but to become major sources of energy generation. As part of a new Net Zero Schools pledge, I will test an approach with partners to fund heat pumps, install solar panels and retrofit school buildings to make them more energy efficient. I'll also work to make schools more resilient to the impact of climate change to prevent lost days of schooling.

This new programme could not only help to cut carbon emissions, but reduce energy bills so that schools can spend more money on young Londoners rather than increasing the profits of energy companies. Taken together, the rooftops of London's schools could produce the output equivalent to a new power station. I'll pilot this plan, but progress could be turbocharged with a Labour government which has made clean power central to one of the party's five national missions.

Tackling the climate crisis is not just about protecting our environment, but also helping to create jobs and economic growth. That's why I will continue to put secure, well-paid jobs in new and growing green industries, like renewable energy, at the top of our agenda. I'll ensure London remains the green finance capital of the world, by building on our £500 million fund to finance



carbon reduction projects, and unlocking new sources of green finance to help London hit our climate and nature targets and create new green jobs.

The hard reality is that we're already experiencing extreme summer temperatures and more frequent and severe storms in London. So I'll work to take forward the recommendations of the forthcoming independent climate resilience review. This includes working with partners to implement nature-based solutions to make our city more resilient to the impact of climate change.

Cleaning up London's air

When I first became Mayor in 2016, I learned that City Hall had commissioned, then subsequently buried, a report into London's air quality three years earlier. The research was damning – it revealed that hundreds of our primary schools were in areas where pollution breached legal limits, and that the poorest were paying the heaviest price. I was not willing to maintain that culture of neglect when the evidence was clear – air pollution in our city had become a public health emergency.



I'm proud that we have led the way in London, introducing the world's largest clean air zone of any major city – the ULEZ. The air is now cleaner and healthier in every part of the capital, with pollution cut by nearly half in central London alone. We have gone from 455 schools located in areas with illegal levels of air pollution in 2016, to just under 20 now. It's projected we will reach zero in 2025.

We have truly started to turn the tide when it comes to tackling air pollution in London, but there is still much more to do. This is not the time to roll back on the progress

we have made, as some want to do, but to push on and finish the job. That's why I pledge to continue taking bold action. This includes:

- delivering a 100 per cent zero-emission bus fleet by 2030
- expanding the successful School Streets initiative, which is reducing air pollution by restricting car access outside schools during drop off and pick up
- piloting air pollution filters in primary schools and exploring rolling them out city-wide

- making London the world's first electric-vehicle ready global city by working with partners to double the amount of electric vehicle charging points installed since 2016 to more than 40,000 by 2030
- continuing to oppose any expansion of airports in London, while also continuing to stand up for workers in our airports who've been hit hard by the Tory botched Brexit and the Tory cost-of-living crisis

Making it easier and safer to cycle around our city is another important part of our work to reduce air pollution and congestion on the roads. Since becoming Mayor, I have quadrupled London's cycle network to over 360km, enabling more than 1.25 million trips to be made by bike every day. We have seen a huge boom in the number of people cycling in London and I want this trend to continue. So I commit to increasing the current investment in walking and cycling infrastructure and working with TfL and London's boroughs to further expand our cycling and walking network so that we can enable even more Londoners to get around on bike and foot.



Since becoming Mayor, I have quadrupled London's cycle network to over 360km, enabling more than 1.25 million trips to be made by bike every day.



London now has almost 5,000 cycle hangars – a 300 per cent increase from 2016. This is providing residential bike parking for over 29,000 Londoners. But I commit to going further by securing more than 40,000 new bike parking spaces on high streets and in schools, stations and residential areas by 2030.

I want Londoners to have certainty about the future, so I commit to keeping the London-wide ULEZ standards the same over the next four years. I also rule out a move to any form of pay-per-mile smart road user charging system.



The levels of sewage that water companies are pouring into our rivers is a scandal. I will not stand by and allow this to continue. As well as demanding clear action from Thames Water, I will launch an ambitious plan to make rivers in London swimmable within ten years.



Protecting and restoring nature

In too many cities nature is in retreat. We've worked hard over the last eight years to make London an exception. We were the first city in the world to win National Park City status and I will build on this progress with a new plan to drive forward London's rewilding revolution.

We have already brought beavers back to West London for the first time in 400 years, and supported habitats that are vital for essential pollinators like bees, but there's more to do. I will continue to open our city up to more species that once prospered here, turning London into a wildlife haven.

Trees are the lungs of London. They help to tackle climate change, clean up our air and improve communities. I'm proud that we've planted over half a million new trees

in London since 2016. If re-elected, I will continue to plant trees and create new green spaces, focusing on the areas of London that need them most.

Green spaces and nature should be available to all Londoners, regardless of income. So I will give Londoners the power to make their neighbourhoods more nature-rich, and healthier, by providing the money and tools to improve communities. People know best what their street or community would benefit from, so this will be done through a new London Green Roots Fund, with councils and communities able to bid for funding to pay for trees, wildflower meadows, parklets and other new green spaces.

The levels of sewage that water companies are pouring into our rivers is a scandal. I will not stand by and allow this to continue. As well as demanding clear action from Thames Water, I will launch an ambitious plan to make rivers in London swimmable within ten years. This will include working with partners to reverse the damage done to our rivers and waterways. We've made huge progress in cleaning up London's air – exceeding expectations. Now it's time to clean up our waterways too.





Making
London
more
prosperous

KEY PLEDGES

- **Work to make universal free school meals permanent for all state primary school children**
- **Freeze TfL fares until at least 2025 and continue to freeze fares for as long as economic conditions allow**
- **Deliver a new London Growth Plan, with a target of creating more than 150,000 good jobs by 2028 and increasing living standards for Londoners**
- **Give free skills training to any Londoner over 19 who is unemployed or on a low income**
- **Work with a Labour government to explore greater devolution of rail and end the misery of non-TfL rail lines letting Londoners down**
- **Expand bus services in outer London, including a second Superloop**



MAKING

LONDON MORE PROSPEROUS

In 2016, I promised to be the most pro-business Mayor yet, working in partnership with businesses to boost skills provision, infrastructure and growth. I'm proud to have delivered on that promise.

We've worked with businesses to help create more than 300,000 jobs from City Hall initiatives since 2016. More than one million Londoners have taken a course provided by my Skills for Londoners programme.

We've delivered the Elizabeth line, which has become the busiest train line in the country, as well as the Northern line extension to Battersea Power Station and the Barking Riverside extension. We haven't stopped banging the drum for London, both at home and abroad – bringing in new jobs, investment, talent and tourism. And London's economy has continued to grow, outperforming every other region in the country.

But many Londoners and businesses are still struggling, particularly with the Tory government's cost-of-living and cost-of-doing-business crises. My ambition is to continue creating an economy that works for all Londoners, where businesses are given the support they need, and where neither opportunity nor achievement are limited by gender, race, sexual orientation, disability, religion, class or background. I've always believed that it's a myth that the goals of growing the economy and supporting businesses, and reducing inequality and tackling the climate crisis, are in conflict. The opposite is true – they go hand in hand. That's why my priority will be to continue building a greener, fairer, modern economy that's fit for the 21st century, where no one is left behind by the cost-of-living crisis.

The Tory Party's record of economic failure is as shocking as it is damaging for Londoners and people across the country. This will be the first Parliament since records began to see living standards fall. For 14 years now, the economy and the wages of ordinary Londoners have hardly grown. As a result, the average Londoner is thousands of pounds worse off because of Tory failure. During my time as Mayor, London has done better on economic growth than other parts of the country. But I know that with the right support we

could do so much more. That's why I am determined to work with Keir Starmer, Rachel Reeves and a Labour government to get the UK economy growing again, providing good jobs, investment and improved living standards for ordinary people.

Helping Londoners through the cost-of-living crisis

The Tory cost-of-living crisis is hitting Londoners hard, with many struggling to make ends meet. As Mayor, I've been doing all I can to step in to support people through this difficult time.

This includes freezing TfL fares again this year. This is the fifth time I've frozen fares as Mayor, saving Londoners hundreds of pounds, and making fares 14 percent lower than if they had risen in line with National Rail fares, and 21 percent lower than if they'd risen in line with RPI since 2016. Under my Tory predecessor, TfL fares rose 42 percent between 2008 and 2016.

I have a proven track record of keeping transport fares low. If I'm re-elected, I promise to continue to do so, at the same time as maintaining investment in our public transport network, by freezing TfL fares until at least 2025. I'll continue to freeze fares as long as economic conditions allow.



I am so proud to have introduced free school meals for all children in state primary schools in London. This is saving parents and carers up to £1,000 per child over two years. I relied on free school meals, so I know the difference they can make – not only in improving children’s health and ability to learn, but in easing the burden on families. If elected, I will work with London’s boroughs and other partners to make the provision of universal free school meals permanent, ensuring no child in our state primary schools will go hungry. I also commit to continuing my holiday hunger scheme to provide more than 10 million meals to young Londoners during the school holidays.

As Mayor, I’ve pledged to make London a living wage city to ensure that workers are paid a fair wage. The London Living Wage has risen by 40 percent since I took office, benefiting hundreds of thousands of Londoners, and there are now more than six times as many accredited Living Wage employers compared to when I first became Mayor. I’ll continue to support Londoners struggling with the Tory cost-of-living crisis and do all I can to boost wages in the capital.

I’ll continue to work with partners like Citizens Advice and the London Legal Support Trust to provide essential advice services. This

work has already put more than £25 million back into the pockets of low-income Londoners. I'll also pilot support for 'multibanks' where Londoners in need can have access to a range of essentials as well as advice and wider support to help them get back on their feet.

Growing our economy

London's economy has remained resilient throughout some extremely difficult times, including the pandemic and the impact of a Tory botched Brexit. We are still a global leader in sectors like finance, tech and the creative industries. We remain a dynamic city – attracting business, investment and tourism from around the world. We have worked with businesses to help create more than 330,000 new jobs through City Hall programmes. We've become a global hub for green finance. And our economy is now growing faster than any other region of the country. Last year



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alone, nearly £40bn net flowed from London into the public purse, and we are the only region that has contributed more to the Treasury after the pandemic than before.

I will build on our city's economic recovery and set out an exciting new London Growth Plan, developed in close collaboration with councils, businesses and trade unions.

This new growth plan will set out how we can boost jobs and growth in the well-established sectors of our economy, including finance and business services; retail, hospitality, leisure and tourism; manufacturing; logistics; built environment and construction. I will also focus on and champion some of the fastest growing sectors, such as health and life sciences; digital including fintech, retail tech, cyber and AI; creative industries including film, fashion, TV, music and games; climate tech and the energy sector.

As well as boosting jobs, we need to ensure this work leads to career progression and a route to higher pay and living standards. So I will set a target of creating more than 150,000 good jobs by 2028. I'll ensure that young Londoners, especially those from lower income households, are given the opportunities to secure these high-quality, well-paid jobs that will enable them to get on.



This will include asking the Mayor's Fund for London to work with private sector partners to provide routes into key growth sectors for young Londoners from under-represented backgrounds.

Since becoming Mayor, I have introduced a major skills offer for the capital, with free training now available to any Londoner aged 19 and over who is unemployed, on a low income, or has limited formal education. We have helped more than a million learners access courses through our adult skills programmes, equipping

Londoners with the knowledge and qualifications they need to get into good work. I'll continue to use this successful skills programme to ensure Londoners have access to the learning they need to get ahead in our economy. I will also continue to support Londoners to get online, with free basic digital skills courses, refurbished laptops and smart devices donated by businesses and the public sector.

To help boost economic growth across our city, I will support individual boroughs to build on their strengths – from the new

global culture and education powerhouse that is East Bank in Stratford, to the world-leading TV and film production cluster in West London, and the internationally influential cutting edge cancer research centre in Sutton. This also means working with councils and businesses to deliver a new vision and plan for the centre of London, ensuring that we can continue to compete with the central activity zones of other global cities like Paris and New York. London has roared back as a tourist destination since the pandemic and I'll continue to work with partners to improve our tourism offer.

Improving our digital connectivity in London will help us to increase innovation, productivity and growth across our economy. That's why I will continue to improve mobile connectivity for Londoners. We already have plans in place for mobile coverage to reach 80 per cent of the Tube network by the end of 2024, and if re-elected I'll complete this work, bringing 4G and 5G service to all of the London Underground, London Overground and the Elizabeth line by the end of 2025. I'll also make more of London's busy places well-connected with better mobile signal, using street furniture like lampposts to host infrastructure.

In 2017 I established the Connected London programme to co-ordinate full fibre investment across the city, working closely with boroughs and telecoms companies. Back then only 4% of homes and businesses had direct access to full fibre. This now stands at 66%, with 89% able to receive gigabit speeds - the highest in England. We will continue this work, increasing consumer choice and steering investment towards growth areas of outer London to support new jobs. I'll also continue to improve the Data for London platform, work with partners to develop new data services for city priorities, and ensure that the Artificial Intelligence revolution truly serves Londoners and their needs.

London's one million small businesses are the backbone of our city's economy, employing more than half of all Londoners. I will continue to champion London's micro, small and medium-sized businesses with support, advice and help to grow and expand internationally.

London is home to more than 600 high streets. We learned during the pandemic how intimately connected we are to local high streets, and their importance to our communities. That's why I want to do more to protect, restore and improve them. If I'm re-elected, I will launch a support fund and set



out a new vision for the future of London's high streets, building on the work we have already done. I'll also explore planning changes that can help breathe new life into our high streets, helping to ensure they remain a central feature of our economic and civic life.

Keeping London moving

Transport is a cornerstone of my vision for a fairer, greener and more prosperous city. Transport doesn't only shape our daily lives and determine how we get around London – it can create new opportunities for Londoners and enhance the character of our city.

As Mayor, I will continue to deliver the affordable, reliable and safe service Londoners deserve, and to unlock the power of transport to improve people's lives.

The pandemic was the biggest challenge Transport for London (TfL) has ever faced, but we have successfully managed to navigate through this crisis, avoiding the big cuts to services seen elsewhere in the country. TfL is now financially stable in terms of its day-to-day costs and I know that with a Labour government that won't use TfL funding as a political football, we can start a new chapter, investing in exciting transport services and infrastructure.

Since 2016, we have got the Superloop bus network, the Night Tube and the Elizabeth line all up and running, making it easier, faster and more sustainable for Londoners to move around our city. But I want to connect even more parts of our city, particularly in outer London. So I will unleash a public transport revolution in outer London, building on the success of the Superloop bus network by introducing a second superloop. More town-centre to town-centre connections in outer London is what Londoners need.

Our plan for outer London will also include addressing the poor service and standards faced by Londoners using non-TfL rail services in our city. We'll work with a Labour government to take the necessary steps to give Londoners the services they deserve. This includes exploring greater devolution of rail services and what lines could be better run by TfL. I will push to deliver the next generation of major transport projects, including the Bakerloo Line Extension, West London Orbital and DLR to Thamesmead. These projects could unlock an additional 150,000 new homes and would be a huge economic boost for our city. I'll also continue work to safeguard the Crossrail 2 route so that this much-needed project can be brought to fruition in the future.

While we wait to complete these major transport projects, I'll explore the potential to run Superloop-style express bus services along some of these routes.

I'll also drastically reduce disruption on our roads by working with TfL and councils to extend the lane-rental scheme to borough roads. This will mean that utility companies and others will have to pay when they dig up borough roads, incentivising them to co-ordinate and finish roadworks much more quickly. All the revenue raised will be reinvested to fix potholes and reduce road congestion. This will be done in partnership with TfL, boroughs and my Infrastructure Coordination Service.

The vast majority of people driving vehicles in London are safe and considerate, but a dangerous minority means that Londoners are too often under threat from reckless driving. So I will continue to deliver my Vision Zero ambition – the elimination of all deaths and serious injuries from London's streets by 2041. Increased funding for healthy streets will enable TfL and boroughs to improve safety at more junctions, including upgrading and improving crossings for people walking and wheeling around the city.



My other transport commitments include:

- Continuing to put new trains on our transport network. I commit to delivering a fleet of 54 new DLR trains by 2028, developing plans to replace the Bakerloo line fleet, and delivering the new Piccadilly line trains from 2025
- Launching a new plan to cut bus waiting times and exploring new approaches to increase bus ridership and improve the passenger experience, including adding WiFi and phone charging points. I'll also work with a Labour government to explore the potential benefits and means of bringing bus operations into public ownership

- Modernising TfL's approach to ticketing. This will include: allowing concession holders to use their phones as their travel pass, instead of having to carry an Oyster card; working with the government to roll out contactless payment in stations outside London; and working to include National Rail discounts when contactless payments are used
- Working with TfL to review our fares and ticketing system to ensure it continues to be world-leading and can meet the evolving needs of passengers. The way Londoners and visitors travel on public transport is changing, which means our approach to fares and ticketing must be more flexible and innovative
- I will continue pushing the government to provide the necessary funding to fully re-open Hammersmith Bridge, including to motor vehicles, working with the London Borough of Hammersmith and Fulham who own the bridge
- Expanding the step-free access programme to cover half of the Underground network by 2030
- Encouraging closer collaboration between TfL's London River Services, the Port of London Authority, the Maritime and Coastguard Agency and the boroughs that border the Thames to ensure a more holistic and strategic approach is taken to river transport. I will examine whether changes to the way activity on the river is regulated would better support our plans and strategies, particularly the London Environment Strategy and the Mayor's Transport Strategy

Backing London's world-leading cultural and creative sector

London's vibrant and diverse culture is what sets our city apart and gives us a competitive edge. We have seen our city enriched through migration, making London a mosaic of different cultures, foods, art and creativity. One in five jobs in London is in the creative economy. Culture is the reason that four out of five tourists visit London, and the creative economy generates more than £50 billion for the UK each year. Our cultural economy is a major asset, and must continue to be supported to thrive.

So I will boost London's position at the centre of international culture and creativity by supporting our TV, film, games, fashion and design



industries, and backing a new international centre for the creative industries. I'll also expand the hugely successful Creative Enterprise Zones Programme, creating and supporting jobs, encouraging strong economic growth in the zones, and safeguarding hundreds of cultural workspaces.

While growing London's culture and creative sector, I will ensure there is a strong focus on creating pathways into creative jobs for young Londoners from low-income and Black and minority ethnic backgrounds, to ensure our culture and creative output is shaped by all.

Our rich and diverse cultural heritage is among some of the best in the world. I will build on this and deliver a new world-class Museum of London, working with the City of London Corporation. I will also complete one of the most important cultural developments in Europe for a generation – East Bank. East Bank is the UK's newest culture and educational quarter and is home to the Victoria & Albert Museum, Sadler's Wells, UAL's London College of Fashion, UCL East and the new BBC Music studios.

I know that London's culture isn't just about Zone 1 – it's threaded through each borough that makes up our city. So I will continue to deliver the next rounds of the London Borough of Culture in Wandsworth in 2025 and Haringey in 2027, ensuring culture is brought closer to our communities.

From Soho to Tottenham, Camden to Peckham, New Cross to Hackney Wick, London's nightlife is a diverse mosaic of bars, live music, comedy, theatre and film. Our world-class nightlife has faced many challenges over the last few years as a result of the pandemic and the impacts of both the Tory botched Brexit and their cost of living crisis. I've always been a passionate advocate for London's nightlife and I will continue to protect the music venues, creative studios, pubs and clubs that make London such a dynamic creative capital. I'll continue to work with London boroughs to develop night-time strategies to support our city to thrive at night, and I'll go further by creating a new London Nightlife Fund, and convening a London Nightlife Taskforce that will examine and address the issues facing our city's night-time hospitality and culture.

Undisputed sports capital of the world

London is a city that lives and breathes sport. From Wimbledon's lawns to wild swimming at the West Reservoir, from the Copper Box in Stratford to the community basketball courts, from the Parliament Hill Fields Athletics Track to the countless Parkruns made possible by hard-working volunteers every weekend, sport runs through the veins of our city.

Over the past four years, the capital has been at the heart of the action. The Lionesses winning the Women's Euros at Wembley, Major League Baseball returning to London, the Ashes at Lords and The Oval, to name but a few. Two London venues will host Men's Euros games in 2028, and we're weeks away from the Champions League Final at Wembley. But I know there is so much more we can achieve for London's sport. I will build on these successes to fully cement London's place as the undisputed sports capital of the world.

American sport has found a home from home in our city. Basketball is one of our most popular sports, and no other city has more NFL games outside the US than London. I'll go further to solidify the relationship between our two sporting countries. I will put together a task force to



explore bringing more sports from North America and around the world to our city, and I will develop and grow basketball in London, by helping to boost access to basketball and campaigning to bring the NBA to the capital.

London has a long and proud history when it comes to football – the rules of the game were codified here, and some of England’s oldest football clubs were founded here, too. I will continue to work with the Premier League and the English Football League on developing a skills academy for those working

with football clubs in London, giving these important workers a route to career progression and raising standards in the sector.

The Crystal Palace National Sports Centre sits on the same site as the former FA Cup Final venue, and I am committed to restoring it to its former glory. I will complete its renovation, turning it into Britain’s first zero carbon major sports centre, and I’ll also work with partners to deliver the restoration of the famous Crystal Palace athletics stadium.



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While great progress has been made in ensuring underrepresented groups are more visible in elite sport, there is further to go. To help ensure that professional sport is as diverse as our communities, I will invest in supporting a new generation of leaders in sport to join the boards of major clubs and sporting bodies. And I'll build on the success of the last year and explore a partnership with the Women's Super League to promote and grow the audience for women's football in the capital.

Some of London's biggest sporting achievements came from the 2012 Olympics and Paralympics. We also saw the regeneration of the Olympic Park, thousands of jobs created and, of course, the opening ceremony. I will work to ensure that London enjoys this excitement and success again, and will explore a bid for the greenest Olympics and Paralympics in 2040.





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