

Joe Riley

Protecting residents' lifetime investment



News from your local Harington Ward Conservatives

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RESPECT YOUR NEIGHBOUR - DITCH LABOUR

This is a LOCAL election about LOCAL issues. And Formby is 160 miles further from Westminster than outer space!

So let's be clear: we are talking about the here, now and future of YOUR property or business investment and using YOUR vote and YOUR voice to hold our reckless Labour council to account.

The council which denies Harington residents anything like a fair return on their highest of all single-ward contribution of £7m to town hall funds.

The council which squanders tens more millions on loss-making madcap dogma projects like "repurposing" Bootle New Strand, but cannot even maintain the drains or paint the road signs.

The council which allows open social housing access from across the region that results in criminal behaviour, but does not prioritise local demand.

The council which has allowed house building beyond the capacity for local school choice or provision of health services.

The council with children's social services still rated inadequate after four new directors in three years.

All this incompetence presided over by Labour councillors who have just given themselves an above inflation 6% pay rise.

They are truly picking your pockets having already increased council tax by 40% in 12 years.



The time has come to say enough is enough.

To respect thy neighbour by seeing off Labour.

YOUR LOCAL CHAMPION JOE RILEY

Joe Riley is an award-winning journalist and broadcaster living in Harington Ward for more than 50 years.

Between 1974 and being elected as a parish and later Sefton Conservative councillor in 2021, he variously served as arts editor, feature writer, leader writer and senior columnist at the Liverpool Echo. He is currently a columnist for the Lancashire Post and a number of other regional newspapers.



Joe is a director and former president of the UK's oldest press club and an honorary fellow of Liverpool John Moores University.

He is also chairman of the Formby Club.

Six of the best

As your Conservative councillor, Joe Riley has:

- ✓ Voted down a National Trust proposal for a new car park at Victoria Road that would have removed 500 trees.
- ✓ Arranged for the village pavements to be power-washed this spring.
- ✓ Gained an assurance that no house building takes place at Brackenway while flooding issues remain.
- ✓ Approved ward funding for the new Jubilee Park in Lonsdale Road.
- ✓ Led on an ongoing campaign to re-open Formby police station.
- ✓ Arranged the funding of a blue plaque memorial for legendary Formby artist Muriel Sibley.

Caring and Campaigning for our Community

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Social Housing and Anti-social behaviour

A social housing scheme, with priorities that discriminate against the needs of people who have grown up in Formby and have family and friends here, has fostered distinct and identifiable pockets of unacceptable criminal nuisance by incomers, requiring frequent police action from as far away as Bootle or Southport.

A main reason, with a fast growing population now approaching

23,000, why Formby police station should re-open.

Labour gives lip service to nurturing residents' interests, but there is no talk of the standards of behaviour expected by the vast majority.

Living in Formby is not just about affordability, but respecting local standards.



STRAND-ED with Labour debt

Bootle New Strand was bought by the council in 2017 for £32m. It is now worth just £13m, but still costs £2m in annual interest.

Now Labour wants to spend a further £45m on a first-phase "remodelling."

A fortune to underwrite future demand for sausage rolls.

Meanwhile, Marks and Spencer have paid the council an undisclosed amount to ditch their contract and get out.

Which speaks volumes.

Clearly, Labour couldn't even manage a child's piggy bank.



News SNIPPETS

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The truth behind the blame game

Despite a 13.4% INCREASE in government cash for Sefton, financial chaos prevails.

No good blaming inflation which has since more than halved.

Rather, poor management and failed investments by those with little or no business experience.

YOUR CONSERVATIVE COUNCILLOR FOR HARINGTON WARD



Councillor **Joe Riley**

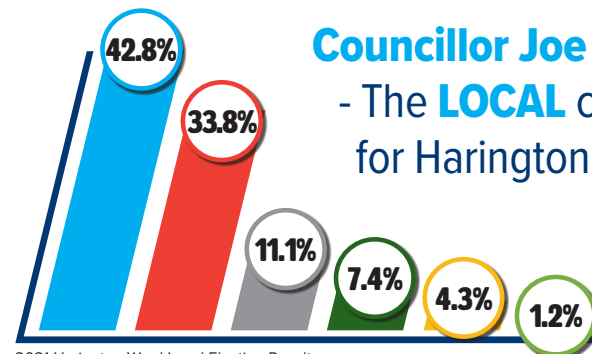
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A VOTE FOR AN INDEPENDENT IS A VOTE FOR LABOUR



Councillor **Joe Riley** - The **LOCAL** choice for Harington Ward

2021 Harington Ward Local Election Result

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