

RE-ELECT

Jim McMahon

An MP fighting for everyone, everywhere

Chadderton | Coldhurst | Hollinwood | Medlock Vale | Royton | Werneth



LOCAL PEOPLE BACKING JIM



LOCAL people are backing Jim McMahon to be re-elected as the MP fighting for everyone, everywhere across Oldham West, Chadderton and Royton.

Jim has supported constituents on personal issues like housing and welfare cases, and on local issues like crime and anti-social behaviour.

He has held the Government to account on the cost-of-living crisis and spoken out on the chronic state of our public services.

He has been active in raising serious issues that affect our community.

This includes child safeguarding, gangs and knife crime, dangerous driving, and scandals like the Collective Spirit Free School; as well as international issues like the wars in Ukraine and Gaza, and the resulting humanitarian crisis impacting civilians including children.

Above all Jim and his office support over 8,000 constituents like you each and every year from his local office at Chadderton Town Hall.

MY PRIORITIES ARE LOCAL PRIORITIES

Like you I live and breathe our borough and I refuse to accept second best. On Thursday 4th July we have the chance to give Oldham West, Chadderton and Royton its future back.

GOOD JOBS

Our town was built on skilled jobs making things which changed the world. Working people deserve decent, well-paid jobs affording a good life with pride and security.

As a former apprentice I know the difference it makes, and I'll fight for it.

A SAFE PLACE

Everyone should feel safe in the place they live and not have to worry about being a victim of crime.

I will fight for police on the streets, and a no nonsense approach to tackling gang and knife crime, and its causes which ruin lives and communities.

DECENT HOMES

Development should make our town better, building quality homes and giving local people a stake in the future.

I will campaign to tackle the rise in HMOs and poor quality housing in favour of more family homes for local people to keep our community strong.

COMMUNITY OWNERSHIP

I will promote Community Ownership to safeguard our heritage, save community venues from closure, and protect sports grounds from being lost by putting them in the hands of the local community.

Thurs 4th July **Vote**  **Labour**
and co-operative

JIM MCMAHON'S WORKING CLASS VALUES IN ACTION

I LIVE and breathe Oldham. It's where we've raised our two sons, both attending local state schools, being firmly part of the community, and building a good life.

I'm not a typical politician. I left school at 16 setting out to work as an apprentice attending Oldham College.

I am proud to be working class and I've always taken pride in hard work which was instilled in me by my parents from a young age and I've carried that purpose and pride throughout my working life.

My route into politics wasn't through a debating society, it was through the community. Serving as a school governor, on local charities and voluntary groups, including being a Remembrance Sunday organiser, and a trustee of the Rochdale Canal Trust.

I stood for election as a councillor over twenty years ago to make our borough the best it can be. I wasn't willing to accept second best, to hear excuses, or see the place we call home decline. I've continued that fight as your Member of Parliament.

Because my route into politics was through the community, it's where my roots are firmly planted.

That's why I centre so much of what I do here; our annual summer school for young people, the Christmas stall, community projects like realising our ambition for a statue in honour of Annie Kenney. It's for the same reason why when I was successfully drawn for a Private Members Bill, it was Oldham Youth Council I went to for help in starting our campaign for Votes at 16, which is now Labour Party policy.

I was proud to go to Buckingham Palace in 2015 to collect an OBE from the then Prince of Wales, for services to the community in Oldham. I was equally humbled to receive an Honorary Fellowship from the college which invested in me as a young apprentice.

I work hard to make sure that the issues you raise get the attention and action they deserve. Not only do I understand it, but I experience it too living and working here.

We all see the impact of gang and knife crime, dangerous driving, the loss of community pubs and other venues, the decline of our High Streets, the loss of GP practices, the impact of wireless phone masts, where it feels too often things are getting worse, not better.

But I also see the impact of community power and co-operation. Here my national responsibility as Chair of the Co-operative Party, Labour's sister party for over a century, meets grassroots campaigning.

This has included securing community asset protection for Boundary Park, and local community venues including the Daisyfield Inn in Bardsley. I'm always ready to help secure important protections for local venues.

We are rightly proud of our heritage, and I am proud of the role I played in restoring the once derelict Oldham Old Town Hall, kickstarting the refurbishment of Royton Town Hall, working to secure the future of Foxdenton Hall, and the campaign to save the Oldham Coliseum.

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And because pride of place matters; thanks to the representations we made Chadderton now takes its place in the new Oldham West, Chadderton and Royton constituency name, for the first time in its history.

I'll take on issues without fear or favour, whether it is failings by authorities on issues like child safeguarding, patient care at the hospital, the scandal of the Collective Spirit Free School, or failures by the police to support victims.

Each year my office steps in to help around 8,000 people on a wide range of issues. Having a local office working for local people means a lot to me and my dedicated team.

We now face the real prospect of a Labour and Co-operative government. This would finally give Oldham West, Chadderton and Royton it's future back.

Thank you!



ABOUT JIM

- Lives with his family in Oldham
- Constituency office based at Chadderton Town Hall
- Currently serving as Shadow Minister for English Devolution and Local Government
- Chair of the Co-operative Party
- Formerly Shadow Secretary of State for Transport, and Environment
- Councillor 2003-2017
- Council Leader 2011-2016
- Awarded OBE for services to the community in Oldham

OLDHAM ATHLETIC

Jim has long worked to secure the future of Oldham Athletic FC at its historical home at Boundary Park. He backed its protection as an 'Asset of Community Value'.

A RECORD OF FIGHTING YOUR CORNER

WIFI & 5G PHONE MASTS

THE BLIGHT of huge mobile phone and WIFI masts, some as tall as four double decker buses, has been met with understandable anger and frustration by local people.

Jim has worked hard to fight for changes in the law so that communities and local councils have more power to control development.

He brought a special debate to parliament, held meetings with ministers, and went further by organising a workshop for local residents.

OLDHAM COLISEUM

Home is where the heart is! And that's why Jim has lobbied and campaigned to keep the Oldham Coliseum at its historic home on Fairbottom Street!



CHILD SAFEGUARDING

NO ONE should shy away from the human cost of child sexual exploitation and abuse which can often happen in plain sight. We all have a responsibility to protect young people.

With a long record of speaking out and raising awareness of the scale and types of abuse which takes place, Jim has given his support to a victim-led response in Oldham that delivers justice for victims, and which sees vile offenders sent to prison.

A decade ago he warned of the importance of showing leadership on sensitive issues like this, writing; "Please remember that if we ever stop being open about these difficult issues we run the risk of failing to tackle it and that means – worst of all – we let down those who need us to speak up most: the victims."

As well as providing individual casework support to victims of abuse earlier in their lives, Jim has used his platform in parliament to call for any professionals found to be criminally negligent in failing victims to be held to account.

GANGS AND KNIFE CRIME

NO ONE should live in fear, be afraid to go out in their community, or worry that the child they have raised may be attacked, or even exploited by organised criminal gangs.

Jim said; "Young people must have a positive route to prevent them being drawn into criminal gangs, going hand in hand with tough and visible action such as stop and search."

GP PRACTICE CLOSURES

ACCESS to primary care is important to reduce the number of patients attending hospital A&E if they can't get a local GP appointment.

Jim has campaigned for investment in primary care, and rallied against the closures of the NHS Walk-in Centre, and four GP practices at St Chads in Limeside, Block Lane in Chadderton, Rochdale Road in Coldhurst, and at the Integrated Care Centre in Oldham town centre.

After 14 years the NHS is under strain. Even before the pandemic NHS trusts were struggling to bring down waiting lists and recruit staff. A Labour government will bring down waiting lists and invest in patient care.

DANGEROUS DRIVING

JIM HAS raised the significant impact of dangerous driving and the lives lost in Oldham.

Jim said; "Almost every journey in and around the town brings up examples of careless dangerous driving where our streets are left unsafe for other road users, including pedestrians. Too many are killed and seriously injured as a result, including young children who deserve to come home unharmed. It has to stop."

PUBLIC CONTROL OF BUSES

Jim has been a longstanding champion for public control of buses. He has fought to end the decline in local services, the high cost of travel, and unreliability.

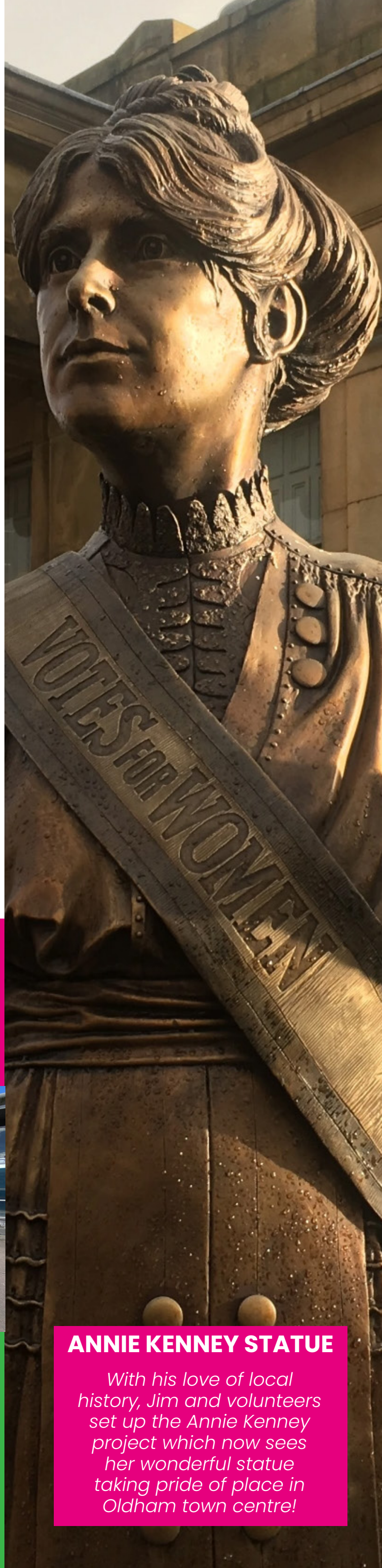


WITH YOUR SUPPORT I WILL

- *Deliver a Labour and Co-operative government offering safety, security, and a decent standard of living for working people.*
- *Be a strong local voice speaking up for residents across Oldham, Chadderton and Royton on the things that matter.*
- *Maintain a local constituency office here to help thousands of people like you all year round, not just at election time!*

ANNIE KENNEY STATUE

With his love of local history, Jim and volunteers set up the Annie Kenney project which now sees her wonderful statue taking pride of place in Oldham town centre!



AN MP FIGHTING FOR EVERYONE, EVERYWHERE!

WAR IN GAZA

The plight of civilians in Gaza has led to calls for a ceasefire, urgent aid, and release of hostages. Jim has spoken in parliament and met the Palestinian Ambassador.



SEWAGE SCANDAL

Jim led the charge against water companies dumping sewage in our waters. He laid a Bill in parliament to end the scandal with Feargal Sharkey's support.



UKRAINIAN SOLIDARITY

The UK stands with Ukraine; Oldhamers have even opened up their homes. Jim ensured this was relayed when attending the address of President Zelenskyy.



GRASSROOTS ACTION

As well as speaking up on national issues, Jim leads by example and has made it a mission to clean up the town so all of us can be proud of it.



BRIAN CLARKE SCHOOL

Jim fought for funding to create a school for the whole borough, so that children from every background and every area thrive and get on well together.



CO-OPERATING

Jim serves as Chair of the Co-operative Party, Labour's longstanding sister party promoting a fairer economy and community ownership.



SUMMER SCHOOL

In addition to school and college visits, each year Jim holds a summer school for young people on politics, democracy and public services.



CHRISTMAS GIVING

As well as giving throughout the year, Jim leads a donation rally where he buys food in lieu of Christmas cards, as well as hosting a town centre stall.



SUPPORTING YOU

Jim made a commitment to establish a local office to help local people. Each year we help over 8,000 people from our office in Chadderton Town Hall.

