

our plan Delivering Results for Redditch

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Investing in our trees, parks, and open spaces



This spring the much-anticipated new playground and outdoor amphitheatre will open at the Arrow Valley Country Park, demonstrating our investment in improving the leisure offer across Redditch.

In addition, the Conservative-run council will upgrade the access roads and entrances at both parks, and is investing in a proposed new cafe and toilets facility at Morton Stanley Park. We are also implementing a Leisure Strategy, and will be setting up a Parks Forum.

■ Subject to planning permission, there could be a new cafe and toilets at Morton Stanley Park in addition to the new playground and amphitheatre soon to open at Arrow Valley Country Park.

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A better train station with improved connectivity

With both Worcestershire County Council and Redditch Borough Council being Conservative-run we are able to set aside the party politics of the past and work together to get things done for the people of Redditch.

An example is the proposed new 'Railway Quarter', which will see our town getting ready for the future by ensuring the redeveloped train station has room for a second line in addition to a better and more direct connection into the Kingfisher Centre.

■ The 'Railway Quarter' promises to be a gamechanger for our town, its businesses and for our station as a gateway between Birmingham and Worcestershire.

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Regenerating our town centre to improve the offer and attract investment

The Conservative-run council has fully supported the submission of the Towns Board to the government for up to £25m investment in our town centre and thanks the board for its work to prepare an ambitious bid.

If successful, the investments would enable a better use of public space outside of the Kingfisher Centre, improving the approach and entrances. In addition, a new public square will allow the town to invest and upgrade its market, library and job centre offer.



■ Council Leader Matt Dormer (L) with his Deputy Mike Rouse (R) showing Robert Jenrick MP around the town centre to demonstrate its potential and areas for investment.



■ Redditch Conservatives has heard from hundreds of residents already using our surveys. One recent survey showed over 70% support for a new public square and moving the library into Town Hall.

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Regeneration of District Centres: focus on stronger communities and skills

We are committed to a "two centre solution" at Winyates and Matchborough and we have a vision to improve all District Centres over time from Batchley to Woodrow. At the heart of our overall vision is the need to invest in the skills agenda for our town.

For example, our vision is to create a centre for engineering, mechanics and robotics in the town centre, so that our young people are able to be trained for the jobs of the future.

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Investing in travel, infrastructure and key local services

Under the Conservatives the council is building its own housing assets for the first time since 1994, providing affordable rental homes to people in need and helping to balance the books in the long term.

We will always be mindful of our climate obligations too - for example, we are committed to creating a 'carbon positive' cemetery within the Borough. Wherever the new cemetery is located it will be an open, accessible, and green space whilst addressing a clear need.



■ Under the Conservatives, Redditch Borough Council declared a climate emergency and is committed to investing in things like more public electric car charging points and active travel schemes.

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Supporting investment and our MP's campaign to return services at the Alex

The Alex Hospital has a bright future and plays a vital role in the Trust, now and in the future. We are thankful to all staff for their work during the pandemic, during which the Alex played a vital role.

Our MP is working hard with Trust bosses. Substantial progress is being made on many areas, so to get the full facts visit rachelmaclean.uk on the web and click into the "The Alex" for everything you need to know - clearly put and without spin.



■ The local councils do not run the hospital, the NHS does. However, as a team we are all fully committed to Rachel Maclean MP's campaign to get services back and her work winning investment in our hospital.