



# UKIP PRIORITIES

## 1. **Prioritising services for local people**

We must end benefit and health tourism and give priority to local people for housing, education, health and social services. In planning, the local people's opinions should be respected and not overruled.

**2. Moving government closer to the people** We will provide incentives to encourage enterprise, attract jobs and reinvigorate town centres and local high streets. We will continue to fight to save our countryside and Green Spaces and we will ensure local people and veterans are prioritised for social housing. UKIP believe in real devolution and real local decision making. We are concerned that this Governments Public Sector Reform Agenda undermines local communities instead of empowering them.

**3. Fighting crime and anti-social behaviour** Britain's communities suffer from an unacceptable level of crime and anti-social behaviour. We should overhaul the system to make sentences meaningful, rehabilitate offenders, deport foreign criminals, free up the police from excessive form-filling and tackle nuisance neighbours and anti-social behaviour.

**4. Spending our money at home** our membership of the European Union costs £55million per day, every day. The three old parties think that is a good use of your money. Whilst at home care for the elderly and most vulnerable is being reduced, services are being cut, health, policing and roads are being run down. UKIP believes this money should be spent at home on the people's priorities, not on the EU.

**5. Regain control over development** Our housing, education, health and social services cannot cope with constantly rising numbers of people coming to live and work here. The government is now riding rough-shod over local people's wishes with mass house building that has become a 'Developers' Charter' without the new services and infrastructure to go with it.

**6. Local referendums** It's time to bring power back to the people. So major decisions should be subject to binding local referenda if the people demand it. On the petition of 5% of the population within 3 months major planning and service provision decisions should be put to a local vote.

# What your UKIP Councillors will work for:

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Working hard for you  
all year round

### **Environment, Planning and Housing:**

Reduce the pressure on housing by ending open door immigration. Oppose the bedroom tax, but provide incentives to re-use empty homes. Protect our green spaces by directing new housing and business developments to brown field sites. Stop preferential treatment to special groups such as travellers - rules should apply equally to us all. UKIP protect food security and farming.

### **Local People and Veterans first**

UKIP ensure that local people and veterans are prioritised first for social housing

### **Education:**

Improve access to quality local education and create more grammar schools and technical skills colleges, encourage vocational apprenticeships, give parents the right to choose where their children go to school, protect rural schools and support home schooling.

### **Democracy:**

Introduce binding local planning referendums on major decisions, such as out-of-town or large scale supermarket developments, wind turbines, incinerators, solar farms, major housing developments and transport schemes like HS2. UKIP will introduce where possible the committee-based system of local government as we feel it's far more democratic.

### **Economy and Enterprise:**

Reduce tax and business costs to stimulate the local economy. Make it easier for smaller and local businesses to tender for local authority contracts.

### **Public Health & Social Care:**

Put local communities at the heart of health care. Oppose health tourism and cuts to front-line doctors, surgeons, dentists and nurses, but reduce the number of managers and executives. UKIP also support dementia care, mental health etc. UKIP also supports better funding of services to the lost vulnerable in our community especially dementia care, mental health care and disability support.

### **Transport and Roads:**

Improve road maintenance as a priority. Mending potholes should take priority over council vanity schemes. Upgrade public transport, especially maintaining and reinstating rural bus routes that many communities depend on and which feed town - centre businesses and markets. Increase provision of free parking to regenerate town centres and boost business. Oppose any introduction of tolling on roads and motorways.