

The Economy is flatlining

The Tory-led Government's austerity plan is hurting, but it isn't working.

Labour's plan for jobs

Unemployment is rising

2.5 million people are without a job, the highest level in 17 years. The Tory led Government austerity plan is hurting, but it is not working. That's why Labour has set out a five point plan for jobs to help struggling families and support small businesses.

Labour would impose a £2bn tax on bank bonuses to fund 100,000 jobs for young people - which they would be required to take up - and build 25,000 more affordable homes.

Labour's five point plan for jobs and growth in the East of England

1. Create up to 40,000 jobs for young people and build 1,400 new homes
2. Bring forward investment projects like new school buildings
3. Temporarily reverse the Tory-led Government's VAT rise - a £450 boost for families with children
4. Cut VAT on home improvements to 5% for a year
5. Give up to 210,000 small firms a tax break to take on extra workers



The Tories and the Lib-Dems say: "we're all in this together"

But The Institute for Fiscal Studies says that the poorest third of families will lose three times as much as the richest 30%. Cuts to Tax Credits will hit working families hard and 600,000 more children will be pushed into poverty. People in the middle will see the largest fall in incomes since the 1970s and the biggest squeeze in living standards since the 1920s.

And the government will have to borrow **£46bn MORE** than it forecast last Autumn so their austerity plan is not even cutting the deficit.

It's hurting, but it's not working.

And the Lib Dems are letting down Cambridge too!

LIB DEM

AFFORDABLE HOUSING

Lib Dems have failed to deliver the city's 40% target for affordable new housing or identify enough new sites for housing

LION YARD TOILETS

Lib Dems tried to close the toilets for six months before giving in to the campaign by disability groups and Labour

COUNCILLOR ALLOWANCES

Lib Dem Geoff Heathcock and ex-Lib Dem Nichola Harrison both voted for 25% increase before it was cancelled

LABOUR

More affordable housing would be central to Labour's Local Plan for Cambridge to 2031

Labour councillors opposed closure and will continue to campaign for direct access from Fisher Place and Lion Yard

All Labour Councillors voted against when people are losing their jobs, suffering wage freezes, and facing higher and higher bills