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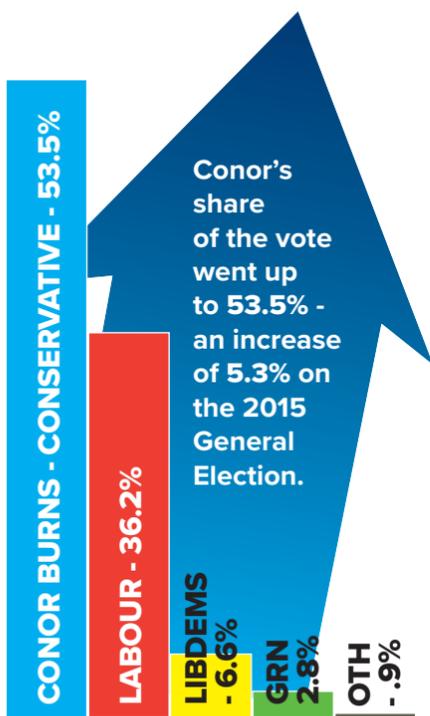
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BUILDING A STRONG ECONOMY

THANK YOU FOR ELECTING ME AGAIN IN BOURNEMOUTH WEST AND AN APOLOGY FOR THE CONSERVATIVE PARTY'S NATIONAL CAMPAIGN



Year	Conor's votes	Increase in votes
2017	23,812	+3,657
2015	20,155	+1,347
2010	18,808	First elected

It was an honour to be re-elected to serve as your Member of Parliament in June. Due to the collapse of the minor parties my majority fell to just under 8,000 although by securing 53.5% of the vote it was the best result in Bournemouth West for the Conservatives since 1987.

I am now back to doing the job I love so much - serving the people of Bournemouth West. Thank you.

Nationally the result was not the one the Conservative Party wanted or the Prime Minister hoped for. Frankly after the campaign we ran nationally it did not deserve to be.

I'm proud of the work the Conservative Party has done in Government since 2010. Unemployment is at its lowest since 1974. The deficit is down by three quarters. That was all under threat from Mr Corbyn's Labour Party yet our campaign barely talked about the economy.

As a country we face a looming crisis in adult social care - political speak for looking after our most vulnerable elderly citizens. As a

country we do need a consensus on how to pay for this. Yet the proposals we put forward frightened people and should never have been launched in the heat of an election campaign. It should not have happened and, although I played no part in it, I apologise that it did.

I came into politics because I wanted to serve the country I love. I believe in Britain, in the talent and resolve of her people and I passionately feel that our best days as a nation lie ahead. Sadly our campaign was gloomy, cliché ridden and devoid of hope.

I will play my full part in making sure my Party learns the lessons of this campaign and that when the next election comes we will have the offering that the British people deserve.

Here in Bournemouth and Poole I will continue to communicate positively the things I believe in and what I am doing on your behalf.

With my best wishes,



Conor speaking at the election night Count.



Conor campaigning with Ann Widdecombe during the election.



Conor meeting residents at Edward May Court.



Conor campaigning with Lord Eden of Winton.

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LOCAL HOSPITALS RECONFIGURATION UPDATE

Conor Burns MP has maintained his promise to protect local people from any changes to local hospitals that do not deliver at least the same, if not better, access to medical services for patients.

This call comes following proposals from the Dorset NHS Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) to reconfigure "major emergency hospital care".

Core proposals from local NHS chiefs include:

- ▶ Centralise local hospital services, making Royal Bournemouth Hospital Dorset's major emergency hospital, with Poole Hospital delivering planned care and Dorset County Hospital remaining both a planned and emergency care hospital.

- ▶ Close maternity and paediatric services at Poole Hospital and relocate to a new purpose built unit at Royal Bournemouth Hospital.

- ▶ Merge specialist teams for key clinical areas such as cancer and cardiac services to provide care across the county rather than separate teams on each site, which often duplicate the same service.

A public consultation of 7,838 people found 44 per cent would choose the CCG's proposals while 34 per cent preferred Poole as the major emergency hospital. In particular, Conor wants the CCG to answer concerns about accessibility, which was flagged as a major worry for local people.

Commenting, Conor said, "I have been clear from the very start that I will not recommend anything to my constituents that I do not feel gives them at least the same, if not better, access to medical services than they would receive if no change was made."

"We are fortunate that both the hospitals we rely on are very good and have superb staff. What will happen at each is a reflection on the space to expand not on their quality."

Let Conor know what you think of the clinicians' proposals by using the form on the back of this report or sending an email to mail@conorburns.com.



Conor meeting staff at Poole Hospital.



Conor discussing the CCG's proposals with the Chief Executive of Poole Hospital, Debbie Fleming.



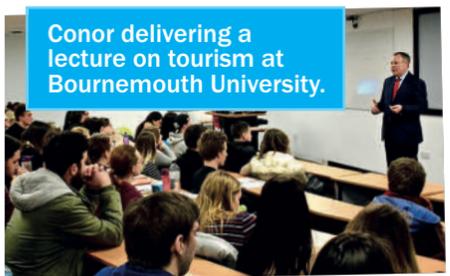
Conor at the Royal Bournemouth.



Conor touring Poole Hospital.



A pupil at Manorside Academy shows Conor their work.



Conor delivering a lecture on tourism at Bournemouth University.



Conor talking to pupils at St. Luke's C of E Primary School.



Conor at the Education First Language School in Westbourne.

SECURING THE BEST START IN LIFE FOR ALL OUR CHILDREN AND GRANDCHILDREN

Conor has always placed education at the top of his agenda - ensuring local children get the very best start in life - from early years to university.

As your MP, he has fought for local schools to get the funds they need and always backed out local universities to maintain their status as global leaders in higher education.

Furthermore, things are

getting better. More good and outstanding schools. More teachers and more money for schools. More students than ever going to university, especially those from a disadvantaged background.

Conor is also continuing to champion our local language schools, making the case to Government to keep them thriving.

An additional **£1.3 billion** for schools funding over two years - meaning schools funding will be **£2.6 billion** higher in 2019-20.

2 million more pupils in a good or outstanding school since 2010.

More young people than ever before going to university - up from **487,000** in 2010 to **535,000** last year (**10% up**).

% of people from disadvantaged backgrounds going to university

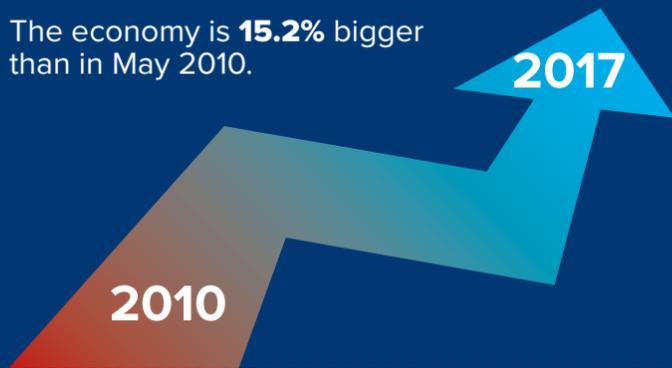


Young people from disadvantaged backgrounds are more likely to go to university - **73% more than 2006**.

WHAT'S REALLY HAPPENING IN OUR ECONOMY AND PUBLIC SERVICES?

A GROWING ECONOMY AND MORE JOBS

The economy is **15.2%** bigger than in May 2010.



Unemployment is now at its lowest rate **since 1975**.



A COUNTRY LIVING WITHIN ITS MEANS

WHY IS PAYING OFF THE NATIONAL DEBT SO IMPORTANT?
Many politicians like to pretend the national debt built up by Government doesn't matter. It does. Just like when an individual borrows money on a credit card, or a mortgage, there is interest to pay...



For 2016/17 that compares to:



£144.3 BILLION health budget



£71.2 BILLION schools budget



£142.7 BILLION welfare budget

IN OTHER WORDS, WHEN WE BORROW MORE, INTEREST PAYMENTS MEAN LESS MONEY FOR SERVICES.

MORE TEACHERS, MORE DOCTORS & MORE NURSES

HAVE THERE REALLY BEEN BIG CUTS TO PUBLIC SPENDING?
Some like to pretend there have been huge cuts to public services since Labour left office in 2010. The facts tell a very different story.



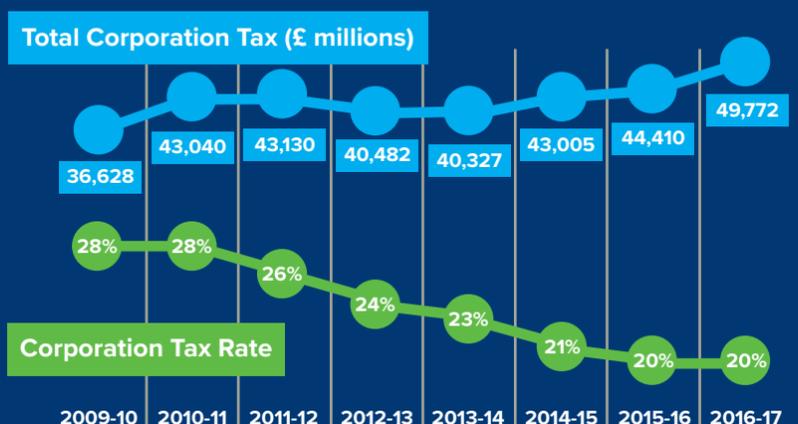
LOWER TAXES FOR YOU, MORE MONEY FOR SERVICES

SHIFTING THE BURDEN OF TAX FROM THE LOWEST PAID TO THE HIGHEST PAID



The top 2.5% of earners (over £100,000 per year), now pay **40.5%** of all income tax raised - that is **UP** from **33.6%** in 2010 when Labour left office.

When Labour left office in 2010, every individual paid income tax on earnings over **£6,475** a year. Under the Conservatives no one pays a penny in income tax until they earn over **£11,500**. That is a tax cut for 30 million people, with the lowest paid taken out of income tax all together.



Helping businesses to grow with lower corporation tax rates leads to **more money for public services**.

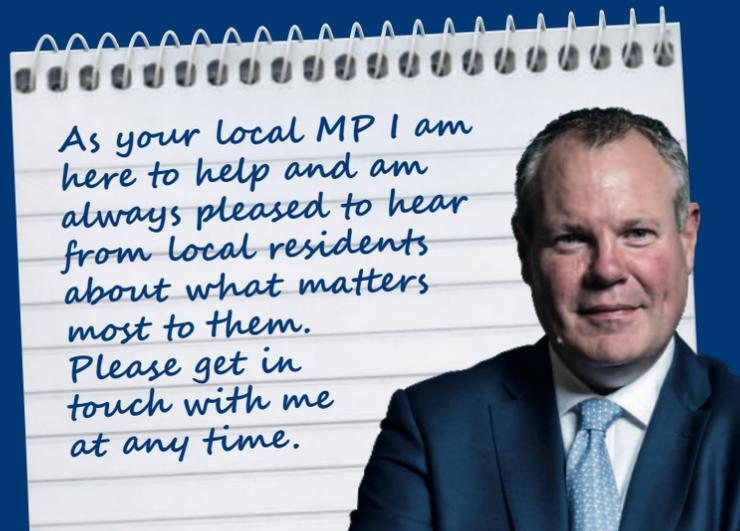


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