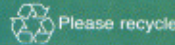


Peter Duncan

A stronger voice for Dumfries and Galloway

Dumfries & Galloway Conservatives



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Only Peter Duncan can beat Labour in Dumfries & Galloway

Result of the last Westminster election in Dumfries and Galloway.

Labour

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Locals suffer in national debt crisis

After a winter of failure from the Labour government, the extent of its effect on the Dumfries & Galloway economy is becoming clear. Unemployment is growing faster than it ever has before, and locals face an uncertain future as the country enters a new age of austerity.

All over Dumfries and Galloway, local residents have been telling local Councillor and Conservative Candidate **Peter Duncan** of their concern for the future.

"At my surgeries, local businesses talk of depressed market conditions and their fears for future employment. Young people worry that they will not find a job when they leave education, and pensioners and savers struggle to cope with rising food prices with no return on their savings.

"It is time for a change of government to mend our broken economy", says Peter. "Labour have spent, spent, spent, and have left us with a

burden of debt that will take a generation to recover from."

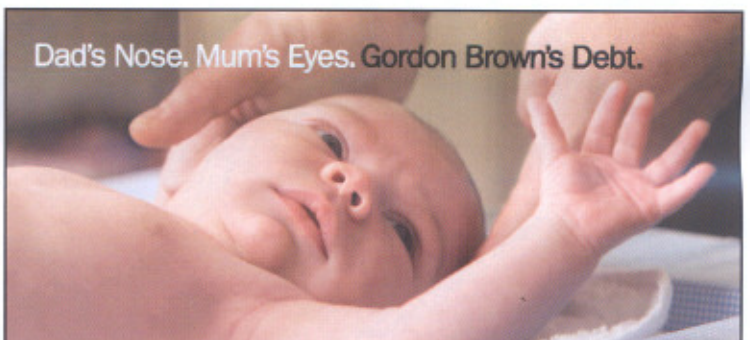
Every child born today bears a £22,500 share of national debt – and Conservatives are determined to do what is necessary over the long term to bring prosperity back to our country.

"We simply cannot afford another five years of Labour government. They have run out of money, and are now floundering in their own incompetence.

"It's time for a change, and local people across Dumfries and Galloway will have their chance soon to deliver the change that our region and our country needs."



Peter meets David Cameron as the Conservative Leader prepares his Plan for Change



Dad's Nose. Mum's Eyes. Gordon Brown's Debt.

Labour's Debt Crisis: Every child in Britain is born owing £17,000. They deserve better.

Gordon Brown said he had abolished boom and bust. But his decade of economic mismanagement meant we entered the recession with more debt than any other major economy. And his new plans to borrow even more will double Britain's debt to £1 trillion – that's £17,000 for every man, woman and child. All this debt has to be paid off. Future generations will be punished for Labour's reckless borrowing.

- Families will spend more in taxes to pay the interest on Labour's debt than on their petrol, gas & electricity combined
- The average person will have to work 4 extra years to pay off their share of the debt
- The Government will soon be spending more public money on debt interest than on educating our children

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NOW FOR CHANGE

Anger at closed Job Centres

With the number of local unemployed continuing to spiral upwards, local anger is growing over Labour's closure of two much needed job centres. "This decision was a slap in the face to Dumfries and Galloway as a whole, and just demonstrates how little priority is given by the government to this corner of Scotland", says local Conservative candidate, Peter Duncan.

The decision to close Newton Stewart and Castle Douglas job centres was taken in 2006, leaving a huge area of Wigtownshire and the Stewartry without a local access point for people looking for employment assistance.

Peter continued: "This must count as one of Labour's worst decisions. Everyone knows that it is vital that rural communities have the best possible access to information and help when jobs are lost.

"With only one job vacancy for every fifteen people looking for employment, access to up to date information and advice is vital. Now, many constituents complain to me of the burden that long journeys to seek employment advice is putting them at a disadvantage.

"Unemployment in our region has increased by over 60% in eight months. Now is the very time



Peter meets a job seeker at the Job Centre in Stranraer - now the only office west of Dumfries

when local people need their local job centre, and yet the Labour government has closed them! This really is a killer blow to Labour's claim to speak for local people in Dumfries and Galloway."

Peter has demanded increased resources to cope with the needs of the increasing number of local unemployed. Those who have lost their jobs in Dumfries and Galloway deserve the very best of help in finding a new job.

Need some help?

Peter Duncan is always available to help you or your community with issues that concern you. He can be contacted by email at peter@peterduncan.org.uk or by telephone on 01556 504163.

It may be that you need help in overcoming a particular hurdle, or want to make clear your views on matters of national or local policy.

Peter is always able to do what he can for you and your community.



Huge backing for A75 upgrade Campaign

Its time we got our fair share of investment on Scotland's roads

Peter Duncan's campaigns to secure infrastructure upgrades has been boosted by massive public support. The Conservative candidate has drawn together locals in backing a fight for funding to finally secure a bypass for Springholm and Crocketford - but the impact of the upgrade will boost fortunes across the region, as Peter explains:

"The A75 Euro route is the back-bone of our region and yet recent years have only seen limited investment in road improvements. In their capital spending plans, the SNP in Holyrood have identified massive sums, up to £4 billion in total, for investment on the A9 north of Perth - yet hardly any priority is being given to our A75.

"I'm determined to do all I can to boost the local economy by persuading the Scottish Government of the need for local investment. The communities of Springholm and Crocketford have spoken with one voice in their demand for a by-pass, and the improved road safety and travel times will benefit the whole region.

"The economy of our region, and Wigtownshire in particular, will suffer unless priority is given to road links to the Loch Ryan ferry ports."

Peter has pledged to build on the success of his web campaign, www.A75bypass.com, and will seek a fairer distribution of funds across Scotland. "It's high time A75 investment got priority", says Peter.



Another accident on the A75 at Crocketford.



Peter says A75 improvements will benefit the whole region.

Gordon Brown picks on rural motorists again

Labour's recession has seen them turning to a familiar theme when they run out of money – once again rural motorists face a hike in tax beyond their ability to pay.

Only weeks after a rise in fuel tax in the autumn – the budget has seen yet another 2p per litre rise, and the promise of a rise year on year to pay for Labour's financial failure.

For many local people, there is simply no alternative to using their car, so they are the ideal victim for another tax raid by Gordon Brown. With the next rise in fuel tax due in September, that will be three rises in twelve months as Labour try desperately to plug the black hole in our country's finances.

Yet with family budgets stretched and uncertainty over jobs at an all time high, this raid on rural motorists is angering local people from Stranraer to Dumfries. It's time for a change of government to set a new course for the country.



Prices at local filling stations are set to rise further as Gordon Brown raises fuel taxes again.

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