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Newton-le-Willows Independents are a small local team working together for the good of our town. We live here, raise our families here, and care deeply about the future of Newton-le-Willows. Our aim is simple: to listen to residents, support our community, and help improve everyday life for local people.

We want Newton-le-Willows to be a place where people feel proud to live, where local businesses can grow, and where communities feel safe and well connected. As major developments come forward in our area, including around Parkside, it is vital they deliver real benefits for residents, support local jobs, and strengthen our local economy, not at any cost, but in a way that respects our community and local infrastructure. We welcome new independent businesses that bring fresh footfall and help ensure investment in Newton-le-Willows East supports our town and existing communities.



Our Policies

- **Regeneration & Local Investment:** We support responsible regeneration that brings jobs and investment to our town. Developments such as Parkside must deliver real benefits for residents, including good jobs and proper infrastructure. Major projects like Tritax should be carefully scrutinised to ensure transparency and community benefit.
- **Safer Streets:** Everyone deserves to feel safe where they live. We will push for greater police visibility, stronger action on anti-social behaviour, and regular meetings between police, residents and businesses.
- **Cleaner Estates & Housing Accountability:** Our neighbourhoods should be clean, safe and well maintained. We will work with housing associations to improve estate upkeep and ensure residents' concerns are dealt with quickly.
- **Better Parks & Green Spaces:** Parks and green spaces are an important part of community life. We will support investment in safe, welcoming parks while protecting and improving local green spaces.
- **Stronger Communities:** Strong communities depend on good communication and active local groups. We will push for faster responses from the council and support local churches and community centres as vital community hubs.
- **Respect & Fairness:** Everyone should be treated with dignity and respect. Newton-le-Willows should be a welcoming place where every resident feels valued.

You can read more about our policies at newtonindependents.com/our-policies.

Don't Forget to Register to Vote

To vote in the local elections on Thursday 7 May, you must be registered to vote. If you're not registered yet, it only takes a few minutes online. Visit gov.uk/register-to-vote and follow the simple steps.

The deadline to register is midnight on Monday 20 April 2026.

If you've recently moved house or changed your name, you may need to register again.

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THURSDAY
7 MAY

TOM MIDDLETON-LEONARD



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Your Newton-le-Willows Independents candidate for Newton-le-Willows East



Hello, I'm Tom Middleton-Leonard, a Newton-le-Willows resident and your Newton-le-Willows Independents candidate for Newton-le-Willows East. I care deeply about our town and the community that makes it such a special place to live. Like many residents, I want to see Newton-le-Willows be a town where people feel proud to live, where neighbours support each other, and where the community always comes first.

Being involved in the community is very important to me. Alongside my full-time job, I organise my working hours so that I can take one weekday every two weeks to volunteer locally. Every other Monday morning I help at a community pantry that supports residents with access to affordable food and everyday essentials. It may seem like a small thing, but practical support like this can make a real difference. It also helps bring the community together.

I also regularly work alongside the current Newton-le-Willows Independents councillors, supporting their community projects and helping with efforts to improve the town and assist local residents.

You may have seen me helping at community events across Newton-le-Willows, including the Family Party in the Park and the Newton-le-Willows Bike Fest, which bring families and neighbours together. Last Christmas I also helped with a local Santa float, which brings festive cheer to neighbourhoods across the town while raising money for good causes. Events like these show what makes Newton-le-Willows such a special place. People care about their town, support one another, and take pride in the community we share.

In my day job I work in governance. I also have experience improving how organisations work within a financially regulated industry. My work focuses on making sure rules are followed properly, records are clear, and decisions are fair and transparent. These skills matter in local government. Residents deserve honest decisions, clear information, and a council that treats public money carefully and responsibly.

One of the reasons I decided to stand as a candidate is because many residents feel trust in the local council has fallen in recent years. People often tell me decisions are not always explained clearly or that their voices have not always been heard. When this happens, people lose confidence in local politics. This is particularly important when major developments such as Parkside and Tritax are being discussed, as projects like these will shape the future of our town for many years. Residents deserve clear information, open discussion, and decisions that genuinely reflect the views of the community. This election is about Newton-le-Willows and the people who live here. It is not about national politics or party leaders in Westminster. Local elections are about choosing people who live in the community, listen to residents, work hard for the town, and stand up for local people.

I am proud to be standing with the Newton-le-Willows Independents, alongside Newton-le-Willows West councillors Terry Maguire and Karl Collier, and local candidate Craig Smith. We are a small local team focused on listening to residents, working hard, and putting Newton-le-Willows first.

I won't make promises I cannot keep. What I will promise is that I will work hard, listen to residents, work with others to solve problems, stand up for our town, and treat everyone with fairness and respect. No matter your age or background, you deserve a councillor who will listen, take your concerns seriously, and do their best to help.

You can contact me via email at Tom@NewtonIndependents.com or find me on Facebook by searching for Tom Middleton-Leonard, Newton East, NIW Independents

Remember, you have three votes in this election. I would be very grateful if one of them could be for me.



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