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Andrew Down Your Way in Hendon

**“How I’ve been helping Hendon’s
residents”.**



As your MP, I’ve been demanding action on the issues which concern us all. Here are just a few of the things I’ve been chasing up recently.



Housing

I’ve been raising questions about the quality of work and progress on the Government funded £88million Decent Homes Initiative, administered by Barnet Council and their contractor, Balfour Beatty.

I’ve taken up dozens of cases for residents, for example over repairs or their needs for rehousing – these cases can be difficult, due to the failure of the Council to provide enough affordable homes, either for rent or low cost purchase.

I’ve also held major formal estate inspections on Belle Vue and Fosters Estate, with Barnet Homes, the Council, and police. I have continued to report back to residents, on what needs doing and the Council’s promises, many of which have not yet been carried out. There is no doubt that the estates need attention, whether it’s caretaking, flytipping, weeds or poor maintenance. Residents are entitled to a decent standard of service and maintenance – which I continue to demand the Council should deliver.

Schools

I’ve kept up my routine of school visits, calling on St Mary’s and St John’s Primary School.

I visited St Mary’s High School for their Black History Month presentation, which was impressive. And I was one of the judges at the London Schools Fashion Show: I’m pleased to say Hendon School were very convincing winners with a magnificent ‘Japanese’ themed performance.