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Andrew Down Your Way in Edgware

“How I’ve been helping Edgware and Hale 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.

Spur Road/Stonegrove and Broadfields inspections

I’ve also held major formal estate inspections with Barnet Homes, the Council and the police on both Broadfields Estate and Stonegrove/Spur Road. I’ve updated residents about the outcome. 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 much attention, whether it’s caretaking, flytipping, broken pavements, weeds or poor maintenance. Residents are entitled to a decent standard of service and maintenance – which I continue to demand the Council should deliver.

Environment

I was pleased that at long last, the Silkstream Flood Defence works have been completed, with the support of grants from the Government’s Environment Agency. Whilst there is still some cosmetic landscaping to do in the summer, the defence system is at long last complete – this was one of my major lobbying efforts, keeping it high on the agenda!