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Dear member

Welcome to my March update.

Wow where did February go? It was certainly a busy month and thanks to half term and parliament recess week I enjoyed some extra time at home, which is always a good thing.

Thank you to those who have been out campaigning each week as we begin the campaign for the 2027 local elections – more about that below.

In February I supported and contacted over 1,000 constituents to offer my help and support on the issues that they reach out to me on. Thank you to Alan who spoke about what this support meant for him.



And while it is not strictly from February, I have now launched my Easter appeal once again. Thank you to Shirley for backing this initiatives and if anyone would like to donate an egg please get in touch.



An update from Lee Carter

As I have written previously, your local Labour Council continues to focus on delivering the very best it can for local residents. During turbulent times is vital that we step up and remind people that we are the only people who consistently put their interests first. We have done so since Labour won back the Council in 2011 and will always continue to do so.

Our 2026/27 budget showed we put people first with a number of investments in the things that matter most to residents . This includes sustained investment in adult and children's social care, a commitment to continue to invest in new affordable homes, better transport, education, leisure, and regeneration projects across every community. And this year there is also the decision to invest £250,000 to support the bid to bring a Cancer Centre to Telford as part of the Lingen Davies Campaign.

But our challenge, which we need your help with, is to continually spread the word about the good work that we are doing.



And on that note, I hope many of you will be able to support the campaign for Telford to become the **UK's first Town of Culture in 2028**, a bid for which we announced last week.

This bid will be built upon everything that we are proud of locally. If you think about those things – our heritage, our wonderful green spaces, our great transport links, our brilliant access to local leisure facilities, our bustling Town Centres – they are all things that local Labour has always protected, cared for and invested in too... and long may that continue.



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Out and About in Telford this month

I enjoyed some excellent visits around Telford last month, highlighting the strength and diversity of businesses in our town.

Schneider Electric

It was a pleasure to be welcomed to the local site of Schneider Electric. Seeing a global organisation with such a strong presence in Telford was truly impressive, particularly the scale of their manufacturing and distribution operations.

I was especially encouraged to hear about their continued commitment to supporting local apprentices and investing in the next generation of skilled workers.



Hartman UK

I also visited Hartman to meet the team and gain a deeper understanding of the craftsmanship and expertise behind their furniture manufacturing here in Telford. It's always fascinating to see firsthand the dedication and detail that go into producing high-quality products locally.

Our town sits right at the heart of major industry, and I couldn't be prouder when I have the opportunity to visit and champion the outstanding businesses based here.



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I also had the chance to speak with Ben and the team at **Great Dawley Town Council**, joining them on their podcast. It was great fun and I enjoyed the opportunity to have a longer, more in-depth conversation. The link is [here](#) if you'd like to listen back. Thanks Ben!



SEND Event at Exotic Zoo

That then brings me onto February's engagement event and what an important session this was. I met with families and local partners from across Telford to talk honestly about their experiences of the **SEND system** - what's working, what isn't and what needs to change.

There was huge demand for the session following the roundtable I hosted last year with PODS (Parents Opening Doors) and the Council and I'm massively grateful to everyone who took the time to come and speak with me in person.

People once again told me about their struggles with long waiting times, funding and accessing the right support which simply isn't good enough. The system needs fixing and properly funding so families aren't left fighting for the help they deserve. Since then the Government have updated on the SEND white paper (more details on this below) - and furthermore the feedback that has been shared with me from these sessions and from those who have contacted me directly will go directly to the Education Secretary in the coming weeks and I will keep you updated on.

Thank you to Shirley who attended this session alongside me, it was really valuable to have you there.

Watch it back here



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In Parliament

I was proud to speak about **Lingen Davies Cancer Support** in Parliament, who provide vital cancer care across Telford and the wider region - they deserve all the support and resources possible. I raised this with the Welsh Minister to ask how the Government can continue supporting their incredible work and I look forward to following up on that.

Government updates that will benefit people living and working in Telford

The Schools White Paper

February's headline announcement from the Government is the landmark **Schools White Paper**, which sets out the Government's vision for our schools around inclusion and give every child - no matter their background or need - the very best start in the life. The Government will set out ambitious reforms to the curriculum; put greater focus on careers support; greater arts investment; and much more.



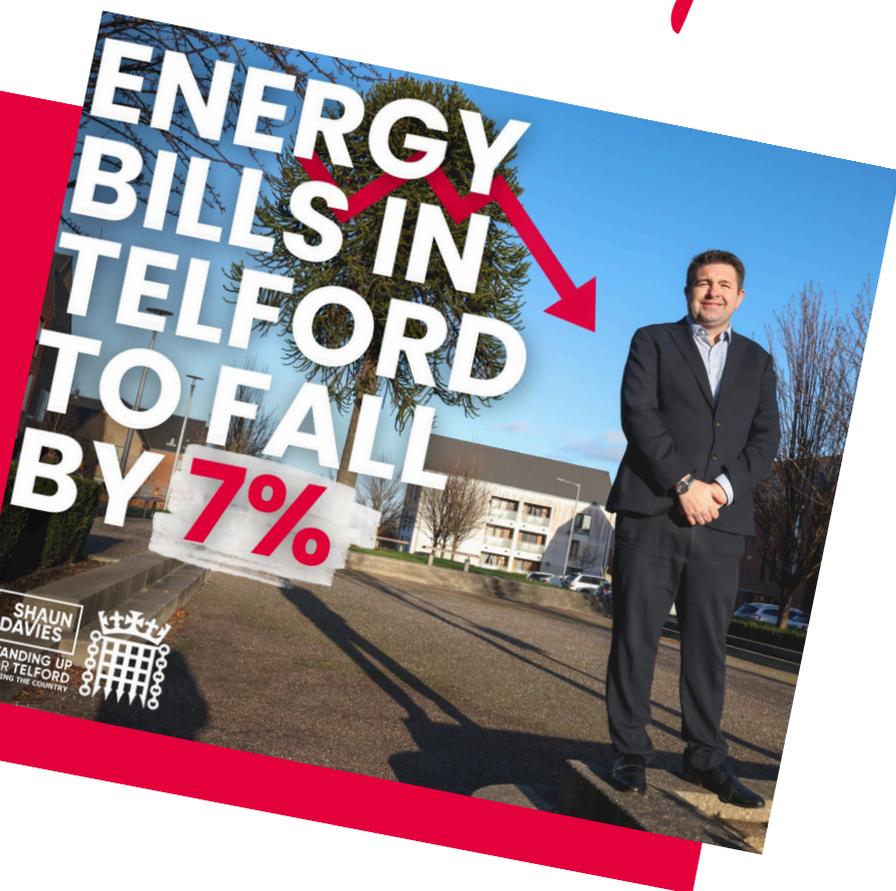
There will also be consultations on the Government's reforms to the SEND education system. Backed by billions of pounds in investment, ensuring a core and consistent offer to every child, supplemented by tailored support such as speech and language therapy and access to educational psychologists. The principle behind EHCPs will be protected, with the most intense support ringfenced for children with the most intense need, and with every child able to access the right level of care and support for them.

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Further boosting this Government's support for children, the Government has introduced plans to take swift action to keep our young people safe online through a range of measures – **from banning access to VPNs to cracking down on AI chatbots**. Any reforms will be led by evidence and consultation, but the Government has introduced legislation giving it new powers to implement consultation findings immediately, rather than wait months for Parliamentary approval. The potential harms the online poses to our children and young people are clear, and we simply cannot afford delay – inaction is not good enough.

The under 16s social media ban is also something I have started speaking to our young people about – with more to come on this.

Declining Energy Bills



February was also a big month for the future of energy bills in this country, **which will fall by 7% for households in Telford and across the country** – an average of £117 for the year.

This is a direct result of decisive action the Chancellor took to lower energy bills and ease the cost of living burden on working people.

On top of that, the Energy Secretary announced the new **Local Power Plan**, the biggest investment in community energy in British history.

The Government is investing £1bn into supporting community energy projects and helping people take control of energy in their area. This is another important step towards community regeneration, as well as the green transition.



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I really appreciate you taking the time to engage with me. I hope these updates are useful, and I'm looking forward to catching up at a campaigning session this month.

Upcoming Campaigning



Saturday 7th March – St Georges Avenue, TF2 9FZ at 11am Supporting Richard and Stephen. Further details are shared in our Whatsapp groups by Sam McClay weekly.

Thank you, as always, for your support and engagement.

Take care,

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read 'Stuart Davis', is centered below the text 'Take care,'.