



Thomas Gardiner for Holborn & St Pancras

**Select Thomas Gardiner as your next MP for Holborn and St Pancras:  
For an Everyday Socialism**

**Who I am**

I was born & raised in Camden, grew up in Camden council housing & went to Camden state schools & university in the borough. I live in Kings Cross with my wife, Maryam. I've spent my entire life working to improve the place where I'm from. As a Camden councillor I've consistently argued for more social housing, more schools & more jobs. I work for UCATT, the builders' union, fighting for employment rights & against blacklisting. I'm a member of the GMB. I will always oppose illegal wars & austerity drives & passionately defend the weakest in society.

My pledge to you is to continue the tradition of everyday socialism which Frank Dobson has embodied for so long. Whether it be my support for a publicly owned & run NHS & other public services; my support for rail re-nationalisation; my commitment to social housing & ending the commodified approach to housing which is damaging the social mix of London; better pay & rights at work; or my determined approach across a range of other issues - I promise I'll always use our Labour values to put Holborn & St Pancras first.

I'm an experienced campaigner - winning my council ward from the opposition & then defending it against a well funded targeting campaign by them. I'll use this experience to keep Holborn & St Pancras safe for Labour now and into the future.

**What I stand for: an everyday socialism**

I stand for an everyday socialism relevant to people's daily lives - for wage rises, rights at work & lower rents.

I oppose the devastation of HS2 & I'll vote against it if elected. Instead I support rail re-nationalisation & investment in regional transport.

I would take real steps to end social cleansing in Holborn & St Pancras: pushing for council home building here & intervention to end the use of London's private homes as bank accounts for the world's elite.

I believe in strengthened employment rights and repealing the anti-trade union laws so we will all be better protected in the workplace.

Our public services should be publicly owned & publicly run. Most urgently we must restore this principle in the NHS but the same must apply across our public services. No more privatisation.

Having attended Camden's schools, I'll always back our state education system & continue to support the campaign for a new secondary school south of Euston Road.

I'm against austerity & instead support redistribution of wealth alongside a program of public investment to drive growth & create jobs for local people.

I've always opposed illegal wars & will continue to oppose irresponsible military adventurism which is still common among many politicians. I believe that Britain should lead the world in nuclear disarmament negotiations, rather than the dash to renew Trident.

We need a decent state & society, preserving the bonds which tie us all together & maintaining a social security system which looks after all in need.

**Thomas Gardiner**

**Camden Labour Councillor and member in Holborn and St Pancras**

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