

**RE-ELECT**

# EDWARD TIMPSON

**AS YOUR MP FOR CREWE & NANTWICH**



**IN TOUCH ALL YEAR ROUND:**



**FOUR PAGE ELECTION SPECIAL**

## LISTENING TO YOU SPEAKING FOR YOU

*Over 14,000 constituents helped since 2008.*



Edward in his Crewe office with just a fraction of the case files he has helped with!

Edward speaking in the House of Commons about vulnerable children in Crewe and Nantwich.

Serving you as your Member of Parliament throughout this Parliament has been the greatest honour of my lifetime.

My focus as your MP has been simple: to work for our community to the very best of my ability. Seven years ago when I asked for your support to be your MP I said I would be on your side and not let you down. I hope you agree that I have done just that.

My door has always been open to constituents in need of help, and I have been able to assist over 14,000 of you since 2008.

I have kept in regular touch with my residents over the last five years through regular leaflets, surveys, newspapers and magazines.

It is right that as the 7th May approaches

I report back to you again. I hope you will get a flavour of the things I have been able to do for our area as your MP.

On 7th May, please re-elect me, so that I can continue to serve you.

I will always do everything I can to prove myself worthy of your support.

*Edward Timpson*

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# WORKING HARD FOR CREWE AND NANTWICH

## UNEMPLOYMENT: DOWN



Edward organises his annual Jobs Fair to get local jobseekers into work.

There hasn't been a bigger annual Jobs Fair at Crewe priority for me since I was first elected in 2008. Alex to help get people back to work and into training.

I have spent my time protecting existing jobs, growing local businesses, attracting new jobs to the area and organising my Local unemployment has dropped to below 2008 levels, but we've got to keep our efforts going!

## HOSPITAL SERVICES: IMPROVED

Our health couldn't be more important both for ourselves and those who rely on us. That's why I have supported the expansion and renewal of good-rated Leighton Hospital, successfully campaigning for £25 million of funding for new operating theatres and critical care, as well as maternity facilities that will benefit over 3,000 local women a year.



With the Prime Minister at Leighton Hospital discussing their new funding.

## APPRENTICESHIPS AND TRAINING: DELIVERED



Edward learning more about the Bentley apprenticeship programme at South Cheshire College.

We need to make sure our young people are fit for the workplace.

I campaigned hard for our new University Technical College and for more apprenticeships for Crewe and Nantwich.

Locally since 2010 over 5,000 apprenticeships have been funded by the Government, preparing our youngsters for skilled work for life.

And, most recently, the Railway Exchange Training

Academy has announced that it will be opening its doors to train young people so that they are ready to start work as railway engineers straight away - a concept I have supported since 2008.

## LOCAL INFRASTRUCTURE: TRANSFORMED

Roads, rail, motorways: I've been campaigning successfully for big improvements.

A new station for High Speed 2, improved motorway junctions for Crewe and Nantwich, the Crewe Green Link Road and increased pothole repair funding.

As the gateway to the



Opening the new entrance at Crewe Station with Pete Waterman.

North West, transport is in our blood, and I won't stop until we have the very best infrastructure to bring

more jobs, more business and more opportunity to local residents.

### UNEMPLOYMENT DOWN

The number of people in the Crewe and Nantwich constituency claiming Jobseeker's Allowance has **more than halved since 2010**.

### MORE APPRENTICESHIPS

Over **5,000** people in Crewe and Nantwich have started an apprenticeship since the 2010 General Election.

### LOWER TAX BILLS FOR ALL

Across the North West of England **354,000** people have been taken out of tax altogether, and **2.8million** are gaining by an average of **£521 each** from an increase in the personal tax allowance.

### MORE NEW BUSINESSES

Over **70,000 new businesses** have started up in the North West since 2010.

# DELIVERING FOR BRITAIN



## SECURITY IN RETIREMENT

Edward answering residents' questions at Pickmere in Crewe.

People who have done the right thing during their working lives deserve security and peace of mind in retirement.

A Conservative government will continue to use the Triple Lock to protect the basic State Pension after the next election – ensuring pensions rise every

year in line with wages, prices or by 2.5%, whichever is highest.

We also said we would protect pensioner benefits, including the winter fuel allowance, free TV licenses, free bus passes and free prescriptions. We have, and have pledged to continue to do so in the next Parliament.



## MORE JOBS & LOWER TAXES

Edward visiting growing Crewe business Darlington Jams.

Since 2010, there are 1.9 million more people in work and income tax has reduced for over 25 million people. Over three quarters of new jobs created are full time.

Conservatives will keep cutting income tax by raising the point at which people start paying income tax from £10,600 to £12,500 – lifting 1 million of the lowest-paid workers out of tax altogether. And also raising

the level at which people start paying the 40p rate from £42,285 to £50,000. That's a tax cut for 30 million people – so you keep more of your hard-earned money.

These tax cuts will be paid for by savings from more efficient and effective government – in contrast with Labour's legacy of wasteful spending, borrowing and debt.



## AN IN/OUT EU REFERENDUM

Edward has welcomed the Prime Minister's promise of an in/out referendum on the EU if the Conservatives win in May. Edward said, "The EU has a flag, an anthem, a currency and a Parliament. It is a million miles from the Common Market the British people agreed to join. The EU now sets the majority of our laws. We cannot put up with the EU's current hold on us any longer. The only way to ensure a better deal for Britain, with an in/out referendum is to ensure a majority Conservative Government is elected in 2015."

## WHAT ARE LOCAL PEOPLE SAYING ABOUT EDWARD?

*"Thanks for your attention to the pothole ... good we have someone who will listen to us."*  
– BK, Crewe

*"Thanks for your response regarding superfast broadband... Assuring you of my support."*  
– RS, Nantwich

*"Thank you for being an MP that gets things done."*  
– RG, Shavington

*"Thank you. I have just had the keys to a two-bedroom house... the answer to my prayers."*  
– LF, Crewe

*"Just to say thank you for your efforts regarding the renewal of my blue badge."*  
– SS, Nantwich

*"Thanks for such a prompt follow-up. Very impressed to see we have an MP who cares."*  
– DH, Hough

## SUPPORTING THE NEXT GENERATION

We now have the lowest number of young people not in education, employment or training in the whole of the North West of England. There are more opportunities than ever before for on-the-job training in terms of apprenticeships, the new University Technical College and the new Railway Exchange Training Academy.



At the launch of the Railway Exchange Training Academy on Weston Road.

## IMPROVING RESULTS

**78% more students** in Crewe and Nantwich are now taking GCSEs in English, Maths, Science, Humanities and Languages than were in 2010.

## PUPIL PREMIUM FOR 3,233 CHILDREN

**3,233** children are benefiting from the pupil premium for deprived children, bringing an extra **£3.7 million** to our local education system.

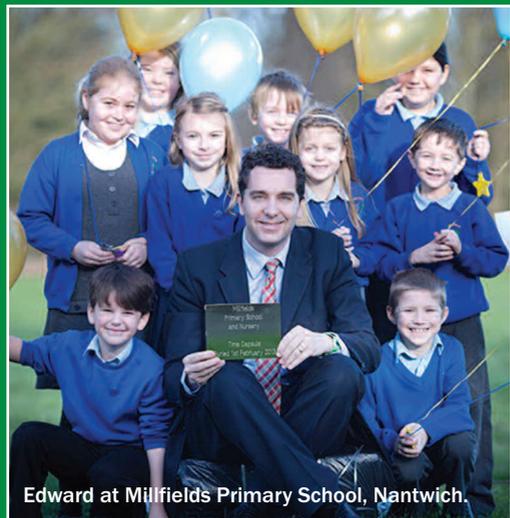
## MORE MONEY FOR LOCAL SCHOOLS

The schools budget in Cheshire East will increase by **£5.7million**. Crewe and Nantwich schools will see their per pupil funding increase by **3.1%**.

## UNIVERSITY ADMISSIONS UP

In 2014, **20%** of 18 year olds started a full-time course, up from 18%.

# EDWARD TIMPSON: CHILDREN'S CHAMPION AND MINISTER OF THE YEAR



Edward at Millfields Primary School, Nantwich.



Edward receives his Minister of the Year award.

Prior to his election in May 2008, Edward was a family lawyer in Cheshire, dealing with child protection work in local courts, including Crewe Magistrates'.

*Minister has impressed many with his handling of adoption and fostering services. Having grown up in a household that fostered 90 children, he's overseen changes to make it easier to both foster and adopt."*

His parents had fostered almost 90 children as he was growing up, and adopted two, so he had seen first hand the benefits that this special type of care can bring to vulnerable children.

Edward was presented with the award by Labour MP Gisela Stuart.

So it was both fitting and touching when, last year, Edward won the 'Minister of the Year Award' in recognition of his work on children's policy - particularly adoption and fostering.

As Minister for Children and Families, Edward has helped increase the number of adoptions to their highest level since 1992, and has recently brought in a new law that allows foster children to stay living with their foster family right up to the age of 21.

The citation for the award read: "Mr Timpson, the Children's

Adoption rates in Cheshire East have doubled.

## EDWARD TIMPSON: SEVEN YEARS OF SERVICE IN PHOTOS



At the Weaver Primary School free school meals launch.



Naming a locomotive in memory of Crewe train driver Jack Mills with station manager Sheila Breeze.



Bentley Motors' new dedicated apprenticeship training facility.



Edward with the Cheshire East apprenticeships team at his Jobs Fair.



With some of the team at the Nantwich Food Festival.



On a visit to the Haslington fun day.



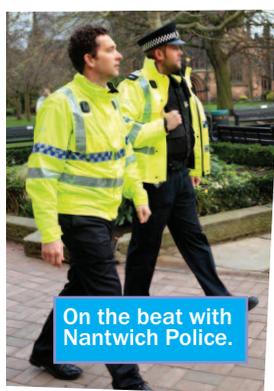
Visiting Royal Mail in Crewe to see the Christmas post.



With some of the Holly Holy Day reenactment team in Nantwich.



Edward at Crewe's Mecca Bingo supporting the successful campaign to lower bingo tax.



On the beat with Nantwich Police.



Inspecting the troops of the Mercian Regiment.



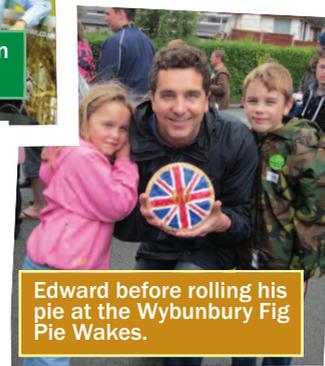
Laying a wreath of poppies in Crewe on Remembrance Sunday.



Learning about the Mountain Trike Company in Nantwich.



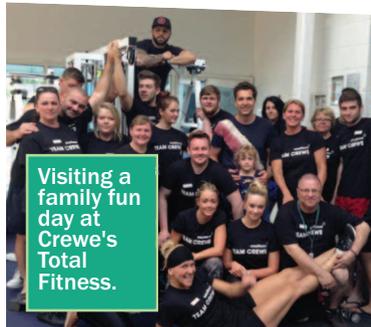
Edward with wife Julia after the Nantwich triathlon.



Edward before rolling his pie at the Wybunbury Fig Pie Wakes.



Litter picking with the Crewe Clean Team.



Visiting a family fun day at Crewe's Total Fitness.



With the Cheshire East Youth Support Service.



At St Bertoline's Barthomley to celebrate a grant from the Heritage Lottery Fund.



Edward with the residents of Beatty Court in Nantwich.