

Labour delivers in Rothwell

The Labour Party has a proud record of achievement in Rothwell and has worked with and supported the community over the years. This leaflet sets out just a few of these achievements.

At election times there are some who say *'it doesn't make any difference'* or *'they are all the same'*. The truth is that there is a difference and in this leaflet it is easy to see what can be achieved with Labour representatives in your community,

Together we can make a difference on the 9th February 2006 . A vote for Labour is a vote for Rothwell.

EDUCATION

In June 1997 newly elected MP Phil Sawford met with three Head teachers in Rothwell. They told him that it was possible for a child in Rothwell to spend their entire school life in a wooden hut. Within four years mobiles had been replaced with permanent classrooms at all three schools.

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ROTHWELL VICTORIA INFANT SCHOOL

When the three new classrooms were opened the children released 25 balloons (one for every year that they had had mobile classrooms on the site).

- three new classrooms (£250,000) opened in November 2000.

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NURSERY SCHOOL

In the early nineties there was no Nursery school in Rothwell and parents had to make a special case for their children to go to the nursery at Loatland School in Desborough.

- Labour took control of the County Council in 1993 and a Nursery unit was opened a couple of years later.

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ROTHWELL JUNIOR SCHOOL

Some classes were being taught in decaying 'HORSA' huts that were put there in the 1950's and were expected to last for 10 years.

- 'HORSA' huts removed and eight new classrooms (£380,000) were opened in March 2000.

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MONTSAYE

In 1997 there were no less than 14 mobile classrooms at the school surrounded by a sea of mud in the winter months. Since 1997 Montsaye has benefited from massive investment

- New entrance and admin facilities (£250,000).
- New teaching block opened in June 2004 (£1.27 million).
- New Science and Maths block (£900,000).
- Eight new classrooms (£1 million) opened in November 2000.
- Refurbished swimming pool and new gymnasium (currently under construction)

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TRANSPORT

The campaign for a bypass for Rothwell to take heavy traffic out of the town started in the 1950's. In the early nineties we were told that a bypass would be built by the private sector through a DBFO (Design, Build, Finance and Operate) scheme. The government would pay 'shadow tolls' and eventually motorist would have to pay a toll to use the road. There was no start date and the whole project was part of a Tory fantasy road building programme. In the meantime a few black bollards were placed along Harrington Road to stop 40 ton lorries mounting the pavement .

- A6 bypass opened in August 2003 (£11.7 million).
- Lighting on the A14 between Rothwell and Kettering (£1 million).

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