The Town of Desborough has its own history, character and identity within the Borough of Kettering. Labour Candidates are very much part of this community, with a stake in its future, and are committed to looking after Desborough’s interests.

Local people are fed up with the feeling that we are the poor relation of the Kettering Borough. The grant to Town and Parish Councils has been totally removed by the Conservative Controlled Borough Council and this has increased the Parish precept for Desborough Residents. At the same time many of the issues raised by local people which are the responsibility of the Borough and County Councils are not being addressed.

The Town Council has an important role to play as the voice of the Town and Labour Councillors will ensure that this voice is heard on issues that affect our community.

Town Centre – We want to achieve
- An attractive and vibrant Town Centre, which local people like to spend time in.
- Parking facilities and a choice of shops and activities for the whole family.
- A pedestrian crossing between the Library and Doctors’ surgery with improvements to the traffic system making it safer and friendlier for pedestrians, especially older and disabled people.

Ise Valley – We want to protect
- This visually and historically valued area of land is worthy of preservation and protection from housing development. In 2012, Kettering Borough Council proposed sites along the River Ise as possible housing. This was opposed by Labour Town Councillors.
- Labour Councillors will continue to support the work of a Neighbourhood Plan to help protect this land from housing development and work with local residents to protect the green space and prevent over development of housing on the Hawthorns Site.

Incinerator – We will continue to oppose
- The original application carried too many uncertain risks to our local environment and to the health of our residents and future generations of families and children in our town.
- Labour Town Councillors strongly opposed the application to the County Council.
- Labour Town Councillors will work with local groups and residents to oppose any Environment Agency permit applications.

Infrastructure – We will campaign for
- Resources from health service providers to assist our local health service which is already under immense pressure.
- Initiatives aimed at providing better facilities for the youth of the town and improved leisure for all.
- Promote access to the countryside and preserve the dwindling number of walk ways around the town.

Law and Order – We will lobby for more
- Police resources in the Town to support the good work of local policing and to meet the needs of a growing community.
- Money to fund traffic calming initiatives to support the Community Speed Watch initiative.