

## A personal message from Stephen BATES



A compassionate Conservative who will be a strong voice in Westminster

Newcastle needs a fresh positive voice. I want to free it from Labour's shackles and secure a better future for you, your family and Britain. With my three priorities – the right economic base for recovery; relentlessly focusing on waste; and supporting those most in need - I want to echo the words of John Wesley who re-invigorated a spiritually shackled nation, by helping create an environment where you can "work all you can, save all you can and give all you can".

For a strong and effective MP who will be accountable to you, vote Stephen Bates on 7th May

## **Work - foundation for recovery**

I read History at Nottingham University and still love history today. I have visited Hadrian's villa near Rome and am especially thrilled we have a section of Hadrian's Wall still standing within our constituency. Whilst I cannot claim my policies will last 1,900 years this should remind us all that things meant to last must be built on solid foundations. I am proud of the North East and stand for a compassionate Conservatism. But unlike Ed Miliband's Labour Party, I know that only a Conservative Government knows how to build on the right foundations. We have taken some difficult decisions and there is still a lot more work to do. We need to build on this and stay on the right tracks for a stronger economy - for you, your families, Newcastle and for Britain.





On the right tracks for recovery with a clear plan to take off

## **About Stephen BATES**



Stephen Bates is North East born and bred and went to a comprehensive school in Gateshead



He went on to Nottingham University (BA), Newcastle (MSc) and Imperial College London (PhD)



Stephen has strong industry experience and leads an European team in a £Bn global business



He has studied business at Harvard University and regularly works across Europe



Stephen is a lifelong Newcastle supporter and has never lost his passion for the North East



He will give his all in strongly representing you and the wider North East at Westminster



Save - a focus on financial, human and environmental waste

Stephen believes in saving:—our financial resources; human resources; and natural resources. Stephen applauded the launch of the National Savings & Investments Bond for pensioners with market-leading rates for people who rely on savings in retirement. "A key part of our economic plan is to support savers and boost hardworking peoples' financial security at all stages of life".

## Give - of your money, time or energy



I will work hard to build the right economic foundations in Newcastle and to fight waste, in whatever guise it takes and wherever it is found. However thirdly, I will also fight equally hard to encourage us all to give something. It is easy to miss this out, particularly when money is tight or when we are under so much pressure with our busy lives. However I believe that we all can, and indeed should, give something whether that be financial, or simply our time. That sense of community is something for which Newcastle is renowned and which we need to work hard to continue to build together. I love the words of Edward Everett Hale who said "I am only one, but I am one, I can't do everything, but I can do something. What I can do. I ought to do. And what I ought to do, by the grace of God, I shall do". So I will fight to build the right conditions to allow you and your families to work all you can, save all you can, but also importantly, to give all you can.





