

15.5%

Council Tax increase

Labour Councillors have forced through an alarmingly high Council Tax increase of 15.5%.

15.5% is 6 times the rate of inflation.

15.5% will add around £110 to the average Council Tax bill.

The Labour Government has starved Swindon of essential resources and forced a huge Council Tax rise on the people of Swindon.



What Labour's shocking Stealth Tax increase means to you!

	Current Tax Bill (average)	New Tax Bill (approximate)
Band A	£525	£602
Band B	£612	£703
Band C	£699	£803
Band D	£787	£903
Band E	£962	£1104
Band F	£1137	£1305
Band G	£1312	£1506

Douglas Stewart supports the aims of:

**WEST SWINDON PARENTS IN
EDUCATION**



"To ensure all our children obtain a place at a Secondary school, with a satisfactory standard of education, in the

community of West Swindon"



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SWINDON'S LABOUR LEGACY

Education Department
Ofsted Inspection

Bad
Failure

Swindon deserves better than a Labour Council!

Estelle Morris Labour MP,
Secretary of State for Education and Skills,
said of education services under Labour:

**The council is "seriously failing in its duty to
provide support to its schools and their pupils"**
(Advertiser, 15/09/2001)

Time to Change Swindon Council Vote Conservative on 2nd May



Cllr. Douglas Stewart

1 Newmeadow Copse, Peatmoor, is a retired Water Board Inspector. Born in Swindon, he was elected in May 2000 and specialises in planning and highway matters. He has successfully campaigned to protect Peatmoor Lagoon from further development and is now fighting to improve the quality of street cleaning in West Swindon.

Your Local Conservative Candidate for Shaw & Nine Elms



With your support Doug Stewart can be part of a Conservative Borough Council that will:

- Raise children's SAT and GCSE examination results to levels above the national average by increasing school budgets and working with teachers, parents and pupils to raise their expectations.
- Protect the elderly and the disabled by better management of the Social Services budget.
- Manage council finances to get the best value for your money (by reducing waste).

STEWART, Douglas

CONSERVATIVE



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Labour Betrays The Pensioner



19% of Swindon Households have an income of £10,000 or less. For pensioners like Mrs Ashton a 15.5% Council Tax rise will mean cuts to her house-keeping. The main fault lies with the Government who have cut council funding. However, a Conservative budget would only have risen by 12.5%.

Remember Conservatives cost you less.

In 2002 Britain's NHS is a horror story that's repeated in hospitals across the country.

Tony Blair plans to jack up taxes to fund our declining health service. But we still have no explanation why he has £10 billion of unspent money in the NHS coffers? Why has that money not been spent? A persons post code determines whether they live or die and old people lie on trolleys in hospital corridors. How can we trust a Government that wants to take even more money off us but doesn't know how to spend the money it already has?

What chance is there, with Blair's special health taxes, that the money will be used to make a difference? On past performance it is obvious Labour hasn't a clue on how to make the NHS more effective.



VOTE AT POLLING STATIONS 8am – 9pm

Conservatives must gain 4 seats to defeat Labour.

A gain of 8 seats will control the Council.