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The Conservatives are the Party of the NHS

Keighley and Ilkley Conservative Parliamentary Candidate Kris Hopkins and his team have been out and about in Keighley and Ilkley town centres and in Silsden reminding local voters that the NHS will be the number one priority for a Conservative Government.

“One of the issues raised most often by Keighley and Ilkley residents since I was selected as Conservative Parliamentary Candidate back in 2006 has been the state of the NHS after three terms of Labour Government,” he said.

“And it is therefore very important for me to assure local people that, should we win the General Election, the Conservatives will introduce a series of very detailed measures to improve the NHS.

“Our plans include:

- increasing spending on the NHS every year over and above inflation
- ensuring the NHS focuses on the treatment of patients, not box-ticking
- giving patients more choice
- stopping the spread of hospital infections
- ending the scandal of mixed-sex wards
- increasing the number of single rooms in NHS wards
- making sure cancer patients get the drugs they need
- restoring access to an NHS dentist to a million people
- free dental checks for all school children and
- providing 4,200 more health visitors across the country

“I was delighted at the excellent and warm response our ideas received from

residents who agreed strongly with my view that change for the better in the NHS is urgently required.

“Under David Cameron, the Conservatives have become the Party of the NHS.

“If I am elected as the Conservative MP for Keighley and Ilkley on 6th May, I can promise local people that I will do all in my power to ensure that our plans for a better NHS are implemented in full.”

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