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## Conservatives will look after local pensioners

Keighley and Ilkley Conservative Parliamentary Candidate Kris Hopkins has repeated his personal assurances that a David Cameron-led Government will guarantee the benefits and entitlement of pensioners in the constituency.

And he has criticised the Labour Party for “continuing to peddle lies” in election literature distributed across the country, including in Keighley and Ilkley.

“One of the most memorable moments of the last week’s second Prime Ministerial Debate was when David Cameron challenged Gordon Brown over Labour’s lie-filled election leaflets,” said Kris.

“Examples of these have, shamefully, been distributed in Keighley and Ilkley including one which falsely claims that a Conservative Government would put pensioners’ benefits at risk.

“As I have made clear every single day of this campaign and will continue to do so, the Conservatives will not cut the state pension but will instead link it to earnings so that it goes up.

“We will also will protect Disability Living Allowance for over 65s and Attendance Allowance for pensioners, keep the winter fuel allowance, keep free bus passes and keep free TV licences.

“However, an incredible 23 examples of Labour’s scaremongering leaflets peddling lies about Conservative Party policies have now come to light.

"In last week's debate, Gordon Brown denied giving the go ahead for these leaflets to be distributed.

"But since then it has emerged that five Labour ministers plus his own Parliamentary aide have been using them in their local campaigns.

"His comments have therefore been shown up to be complete and utter rubbish.

"No doubt voters Keighley and Ilkley will have their own view on how Labour has behaved in this campaign.

"Thankfully, they will also have the chance to express it at the ballot box on 6<sup>th</sup> May."

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