

**John Grogan MP**  
**with David Loud your**  
**Labour Candidate**



**Working with our MP**

Our constituency MP John Grogan continues to be very active across the Ward and, with his support, I am sure as an elected Labour Councillor I can make a real and positive difference in the community.

It has been nearly a quarter of a century since Craven last had a Labour Councillor. If you think your voice isn't being heard, then vote for me on the 2<sup>nd</sup> May.

Local issues are at the heart of local councils. I will work closely with Silsden Town Council and other local Councils, to ensure that every area within the Ward is properly represented on Bradford Council.

**Transport Links**

Our existing bus services fail to meet the requirements of residents. I will continue to pursue every possible avenue to establish a direct bus service between Silsden, Steeton, Cross Hills and Skipton.

**Development and Infrastructure**

I will strongly oppose further development of green-field sites. Such developments rob our communities of their character and fail to provide the types of housing needed by residents. Existing road networks struggle to cope with the increased volumes of traffic.

We cannot allow recommendations for infrastructure that run alongside housing developments to be ignored by developers and planners. Craven needs the right environment and initiatives to support local businesses, to create local employment opportunities for all, and to provide training and investment for our young people.

**Accountability**

I am not afraid of asking searching questions. Since joining Silsden Town Council, I have raised several concerns, these include: traffic safety, the use of community funds from housing developments, planned access for Silsden's new school, improved bus services and upgrading of the canal towpath.

I firmly believe that collaborative working between Councils across boundary lines and other outside agencies will best serve our local communities.

**Dear Resident**

*My name is David Loud and I am extremely proud to have been selected as the Labour candidate for Craven Ward.*

*Silsden has a unique identity and as councillor I would want to help foster its sense of community. The Ward*

*deserves a councillor experienced at dealing with individuals, agencies and organisations – and at all levels. It also needs a councillor who has the enthusiasm, commitment and determination to get things done.*

*I have lived in Silsden for over 20 years and sit on Silsden Town Council. In the past I have served as a very active Parent Governor and key member of the Parents' Association fund-raising group at Hothfield Junior School, and as a volunteer with several other groups.*

*It would be an absolute privilege and honour for me to represent all the residents of Silsden. I want to ensure that our Ward is not disadvantaged by being on the periphery of both the local authority and the West Yorkshire area. This election is not about distant political ideas, but it is about the down-to-earth, everyday issues that concern us here and now at a local level.*



# Vote

**Thursday  
2nd May**

# David Loud

## Silsden's voice on Bradford Council



Speaking out for Craven Ward

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