

Record numbers back in work with security of a wage

■ Cornwall is marching towards a full employment economy with thousands more people benefitting from the security of a job and even more learning as they earn with an apprenticeship.

In fact, there were 5,532 fewer people in Cornwall claiming unemployment benefit in January 2016 than in 2010.

Unemployment here is already significantly below the UK average and I want this progress to continue. I want to see more home-grown food, home-generated energy and home-made goods and services created here and sold across the UK and the world.



Sarah Newton champions a full employment economy

We can deliver this by giving people the skills businesses need; apprenticeships are crucial with 28,820 new apprenticeships created in Cornwall since 2010.

We must also support the great local firms that are creating jobs. A

range of policies, including cutting business rates, an employment allowance worth £3,000, reduced red tape and £500 million EU investment are helping our economy grow and wages rise.

Steve Double MP – Reporting Back



■ I am pleased that once again the Cornish MPs have proved that we are a powerful force within the Government.

The Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government, Greg Clark, announced recently that the Government has listened to the concerns of MPs representing rural constituencies. The original proposed changes to local government funding would have seen Cornwall worse off than many metropolitan areas. By working together the Cornish MPs secured £3m of additional funding for Cornwall.

Mr Clark said that the Government will carry out a comprehensive review of the costs of delivering services, meaning that we will have the chance to definitively prove that it is simply more difficult, and more expensive, to deliver similar services in rural areas compared to cities. This will give us the chance to back up our arguments with hard evidence and pave the way for establishing a fair system for Cornwall.

Fairer funding is something people in Cornwall have campaigned for, for many years. It is the Conservatives who are at last delivering what Cornwall deserves.

Cornish Express Delivering the Goods For Local Traders

■ Cornish businesses met with potential London customers in Westminster to highlight the county's new express freight link with the capital.

St Ives MP Derek Thomas is working hard to make sure businesses in the South West benefit from the Cornish Express, alongside local business leaders and Great Western Railway.

In total 34 businesses from his constituency came to discuss their products and services to top London hotels, retail outlets, food and drink merchants and purchasing managers including Mayfair Luxury Wedding Cakes, Moxon's Fresh Fish, The Ritz

Hotel, Rhubarb FD and Fortnum & Mason.

Derek organised the event in the Houses of Parliament and said:

"The aim is to convince businesses in Cornwall and buyers in London that the express service can work - goods can come up safely, it reduces congestion and emissions, and it can give you same day delivery.

"There are so many people making high quality products that are perfect for the London market and it was a privilege to introduce London purchasing managers to



Derek and West Cornwall food producers at Westminster

producers from my constituency.

"The Cornish Express Service is a remarkable example of people working together in the interest of West Cornwall."



Scott Mann at Werrington School, a typical rural underfunded school for which Scott is fighting for better funding

Working as a team brings results

■ For years, rural areas like Devon and Cornwall have been unfairly treated by central governments. We rely on Whitehall funding for police, local services, healthcare, transport and education.

The Conservative representatives of Devon and Cornwall have been pushing for fairer funding, and in an area which has a large number of Conservative MPs, we're working together to achieve mutual goals without the political division that often comes with party politics.

We have already been successful in securing an additional £3 million in Cornwall for local Government services, as well as working with Tony Hogg to stop a £15 million cut to policing.

We've also been successful in calling for fairer school funding, with a new National Funding Formula currently out for consultation to address the disparity between urban and rural areas. The average funding per pupil in Cornwall is £4,467, whereas in London's Hackney it's £6,858. All children have the right to a good education, and I'm proud rural MPs were able to successfully make Government recognise this.

Too long was the South West shunned by 13 years of an urban-obsessed Labour Government. Now, with a majority in the House of Commons, we can finally deliver some real change to our infrastructure, and our MPs are working hard to make sure the Government delivers the money and resources we need to drag our railways and our roads into the 21st Century.

By having a Conservative PCC, this cohesion in Devon and Cornwall can continue so that not only can we maintain close ties for communication and representation, but we also continue our mutual goal of getting a fairer deal for the South West.



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Cornwall MATTERS

With Alison Hernandez



CHOOSE YOUR POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER

Policing is heading to the polls in May and the stakes couldn't be higher

■ Residents will be voting for their new Police and Crime Commissioner on May 5. The PCC hires and fires chief constables, controls a £279.5m budget in Devon and Cornwall, and sets the policing priorities for their area.

Alison Hernandez is the Conservative candidate and is tired of hearing her opponents roll out the cynical slogan 'keep politics out of policing'.

"Other candidates try to score cheap political points but everyone I speak to on the doorstep knows this role is inherently political - we are elected by

the people to make sure hard-earned taxpayers' money is used to deliver safer streets and lower crime," she explained.

At the Spending Review in November, Conservative PCCs also proved they are

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better placed to lobby the Government to protect police funding and invest in firearms and counter-terrorism policing.

Alison will work with the Government and other agencies to get the best out of the police for local people through competent management and efficient use of resources.

She added: "We're doing a good job so far - Devon and Cornwall Police record the highest public confidence rating in the country and the third lowest crime area in England and Wales - but we can't sit back.

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Have your say on May 5 by voting for Alison Hernandez - the only candidate who won't use the position to score political points but will work with the Government to improve policing, reduce crime and make our communities safer.



Derek Thomas championing the role of independent pharmacists in West Cornwall



George Eustice with Home Office minister, Mike Penning, outside Camborne Police Station



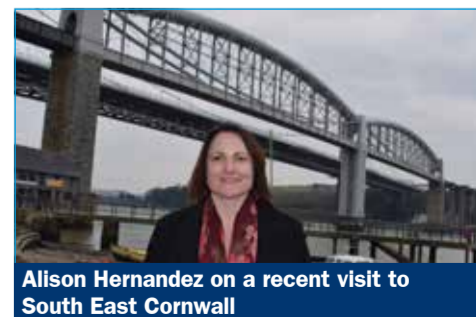
Sarah Newton and Alison discussing policing in Truro & Falmouth



Steve Double welcoming Aviation Minister Robert Goodwill MP to Newquay Aerohub



Home Secretary Theresa May MP with Scott Mann in North Cornwall



Alison Hernandez on a recent visit to South East Cornwall



Cornwall's six MPs before a meeting with the PM to discuss local issues

COULD YOU CHAMPION YOUR LOCAL COMMUNITY?

Do you want to stand up for your local community and the interests of local residents?

Conservatives are looking for Councillor candidates who want to serve a local community. We welcome all candidates who care about representing local people's views and looking after the interests of their local area.

In 2017, Councillors will be elected to serve their local community and you could be part

of our strong, supportive and friendly team of Councillors and campaigners. If you are interested in finding out more about what might be involved, we want to hear from you.

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PUTTING NATIONAL AND ECONOMIC SECURITY FIRST

With the recent commitment to protect the overall police budget for the next five years, forces throughout the country have the resources they need to do the job of protecting us.

**Theresa May
Home Secretary**

■ This is a Government that puts national and economic security first.

In the last Parliament, we had to take difficult decisions to cut our national deficit, and it was right that the police had to play their part.

However, thanks to the reforms we made to policing, and thanks to the hard work of

time in modern history.

Those reforms must continue over the next five years so we can continue to cut crime and keep our communities safe.

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hold the police to account, and make sure they're doing everything they can to cut crime and focus on the frontline.

And so only with a Conservative Government and Conservative PCCs can taxpayers be sure that they will get both value for money, and a safer, more secure community to live in.

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police officers, crime has fallen by more than a quarter. On top of that, public confidence in the police has been maintained and police officers are more likely to be on the frontline than at any

Significantly, we have given the public real power over policing in their local area. By introducing elected Police and Crime Commissioners, people now have someone who can

We must continue this work over the next four years – keeping our people safe and giving the police the tools they need to do the job they do so well.



Discussing policing with Cornish businesses

VOTE FOR

Alison Hernandez
- an experienced campaigner with a record of community action.

■ Alison Hernandez has tackled poverty in Plymouth, fought crime in Torbay and the South West, and has won awards for her work getting the community involved in projects to make life better for everyone.

No wonder she was selected as the Conservative candidate for Police and Crime Commissioner in October 2015.

She's also worked alongside the police to promote community safety and cut crime and as a business consultant helped housing associations and the transport industry.

She said: "I've spent years fighting crime and tackling poverty at the front line and at a strategic level and I look forward to the campaign and the challenges ahead."

"Safety, first and foremost" is her mantra. If elected, she will tackle crime taking into account the views of the police, external agencies, victims and the public. She will also tailor the policing priorities to the needs and challenges of the rural, urban and coastal communities. This will require strategic thinking and the ability to form strong partnerships and alliances.

- Alison's Five Point Plan:**
1. Safety through Positive Leadership
 2. Safety through Accountability and Transparency
 3. Safety through Catch and Convict
 4. Safety through Victim Support
 5. Safety through Respecting Diversity



KEEP SAFE ONLINE

■ Tackling cyber-crime is the number one concern of businesses and a major priority for the Conservative Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) candidate.

Alison Hernandez reassured local business representatives she met during the Cornwall Business Show in the showground that she will make sure the police have the resources they need to tackle online crime.

"Crime and criminality are changing," said Alison. "The

internet and new technology offer criminals the scope to offend on an unprecedented scale and across jurisdictions and we need new policing strategies to cope."

In Devon and Cornwall you are more likely to be a victim of crime online than in the street where you live.

To increase your online security: use strong passwords, install security software and download software updates. Check www.cyberstreetwise.com for more tips on keeping safe online.



Alison meets Boat Watch with Sheryll at Looe Societies Day

Sheryll backs 'active in the community' Alison

■ South East Cornwall MP Sheryll Murray is backing Alison Hernandez to be the next Police and Crime Commissioner for Devon and Cornwall.

Sheryll said: "It is good that we have someone who has a background of being really active in her community. She is keen to support local groups who work so hard for the good of our neighbourhoods. I was with Alison at Communities

Day in Looe and she showed me how eager she is to make sure their views and concerns are listened to. I have also been out on the doorsteps talking to people with Alison. She is willing to put in the effort to be our representative getting what we need from our police and acting when there is a problem with crime. I am happy to give her my support."



George visits students and teachers at Hayle School

Eustice: Fair funding for Cornwall

■ One of my priorities has always been to make sure Cornwall receives its fair share of funding, and while there is still more to do, we have begun to see some positive steps forward.

In the last Parliament I campaigned to introduce a £50 rebate off all household water bills in Cornwall, and then successfully lobbied the Chancellor to ensure the scheme was extended until 2020.

I've also worked to challenge proposals that

disadvantaged Devon and Cornwall Police in favour of more urban areas. I'm pleased the Government has listened to these concerns as it means our community policing can now be safeguarded.

The Government has now launched a consultation to amend the funding formula for schools, which has been outdated for too long, and I will be working to make sure more money goes to the pupils who need it most.

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VOTING GUIDE Alison HERNANDEZ



In the election for Police and Crime Commissioner **you have a first preference and a second preference. For your vote to be counted you must make a first preference. You don't have to give a second preference.**

If you want a Conservative PCC, you can only guarantee that by voting for **Alison HERNANDEZ** as your **FIRST PREFERENCE**.