

## Salma El-Amin Manifesto

I am Salma El-Amin. I am excited to present my manifesto as a candidate for Camden Youth MP. Together, we have the power to shape our future and make a real difference in our community. I have always had a deep passion for serving and supporting my community. It brings me immense joy to contribute positively to the well-being of those around me, and I have always felt encouraged and motivated to do so. Here are my key priorities to tackle the major issues.

Firstly, these are one of the main issues I will tackle from the very beginning:

### Youth employment opportunities:

- I will advocate for more job opportunities and apprenticeship programmes for young people in Camden, helping to address youth employment and create pathways to success.
- This results in another issue of **Youth engagement and participation**: I will strive to increase youth engagement in decision-making processes and provide more opportunities for young people to have a voice in shaping policies that affect them.

### Community Safety and Well-being:

- I will work to improve community safety measures and support initiatives that promote the well-being of young people in Camden, creating a safer and more inclusive environment for all youth in the borough. I will ensure the borough is safe and has low levels of crimes by trying to invest in a new community safety enforcement team, trying to implement many council CCTV cameras and systems, try and increase lighting in dark areas so residents can be able to walk on well-lit streets. Furthermore, I will ask the council to invest in an extensive CCTV network across the borough, which is monitored 24 hours a day, seven days a week and CCTV operators.

### Education and skill developments:

- I will push for better access of quality of education and training programmes, as well as support for young people to develop essential skills for future careers. I would work to ensure that all young people have access to high-quality education and support services, regardless of their background and circumstances. I will work on collaborating with schools and educational institutions by partnering local schools and colleges to provide resources, mentorship programmes and internship opportunities that can help students gain valuable skills and experience.

### Career guidance and counselling:

- Providing career guidance and counselling services to students and young adults can help them make informed decisions about their future and develop the necessary skills for success. This results in another big issue of community engagement: engaging with community through workshops, seminars and training programmes can help raise awareness about the importance of education and skills development. Additionally offering adult education programmes, vocational training and skills development workshops can help adults in the community to improve their skills and advance their careers.

### Mental health support:

- I will work to improve access to mental health services and resources for young people in Camden, ensuring that everyone has the support they need to thrive. I would advocate for increased access to mental health services and resources for young people, as mental health issues are a growing concern among youth.
- Promoting mental health awareness campaigns to educate the community about mental health issues and reduce stigma surrounding seeking help for mental health problems. Ensure that there are accessible and affordable mental health services available in the borough, including counselling, therapy and psychiatric care. Encourage individuals to prioritise self-care practices such as exercise, mindfulness, healthy eating and adequate sleep, to promote overall well-being and resilience.

By taking a multi-faceted approach that involves collaboration, community engagement, support for learners of all ages, and advocacy for policy change, individuals can make a meaningful impact on education and skills development in Camden borough. By implementing these strategies and taking a holistic approach to these issues to try and promote and support it. We can work together to improve the outcomes of Camden borough.

Overall, my goal as Camden Youth MP Candidate would be to ensure that young people have the support, resources and opportunities they need to thrive in their lives. By focusing on these key issues, I aim to make a positive impact on the lives of young people in Camden and create a brighter future for our community.

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