

LUCY ALLAN MP

Member of Parliament for Telford, 2015 - 2024

Lucy was educated at Durham University and Kingston Law School. She has a degree in Anthropology and a Master's Degree with Distinction in Employment Law.

Before entering Parliament, Lucy qualified as a Chartered Accountant, working for PwC, specialising in Insolvency and business turnaround. She then built a career in Financial Services, becoming Head of Investment Trusts at Gartmore Investment and then a Director at UBS Warburg. After retraining, she later became an employment law consultant, taking employee cases to Tribunal pro bono, as well as serving on Employment Tribunal panels. She advocated for families contesting care proceedings in the Family Courts and the care system.

Lucy served as a Conservative Councillor in the London Borough of Wandsworth from 2006-2012 During that time she was a Trustee of a domestic violence charity, a Non-Executive Director of an NHS Trust Board, a School Governor at a number of schools and a Trustee of a Pupil Referral Unit.

Lucy moved to Telford in 2013 when she was selected as the Conservative Parliamentary Candidate. She was elected three times, in 2015, 2017 and 2019, increasing her vote share at each successive election and her majority over the course of her tenure by 10,211 votes. Lucy stood down at the 2024 General Election after nine and a half years in Parliament.

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Parliamentary Record

Electoral Record

General Election 2015

Party	Candidate	Votes	%	+/-%	
Conservative	Lucy Allan	16,094	39.6	+3.3	
Labour	David Wright	15,364	37.8	-0.9	
UKIP	Denis Allen	7,330	18.0	+12.1	
Green	Peter Hawkins	930	2.3	New	
Liberal Democrat	Ian Croll	927	2.3	-13.2	
Majority		730	1.8	New	
	Turnout	40,645	61.4	-2.1	
Conservative GAIN from Labour (+2.1% Swing)					

General Election 2017

Party	Candidate	Votes	%	+/-%	
Conservative	Lucy Allan	21,777	48.7	+9.1	
Labour	Kuldip Sahota	21,057	47.1	+9.3	
Liberal Democrat	Susan King	954	2.1	-0.2	
Green	Luke Shirley	898	2.0	-0.3	
Majority 720 1.6				-0.2	
Turnout 44,686 66.3 +4.9					
Conservative HOLD (-0.1% Swing)					

General Election 2019

Party	Candidate	Votes	%	+/-%	
Conservative	Lucy Allan	25,546	59.7	+11.0	
Labour	Katrina Gilman	14,605	34.1	-13.0	
Liberal Democrat	Shana Roberts	2,674	6.2	+4.1	
Majority 10,941 25.6 +25.0					
Turnout 42,825 62.1 -4.2					
Conservative HOLD (+12.0% Swing)					

In Office

Parliamentary Private Secretary to the Leader of the House of Commons (February 2020 – February 2022)

Lucy <u>was appointed</u> as Parliamentary Private Secretary (PPS) to Leader of the House, Jacob Rees-Mogg MP, in the February 2020 reshuffle. PPSs are chosen by the Minister themselves and approved by the Prime Minister.

Lucy remained in post until Mr Rees-Mogg was reshuffled and declined to continue her role under his successor.

APPG Memberships

- Vice-Chair, APPG for New Towns
- Vice-Chair, APPG for Choice at the End of Life
- Vice-Chair, APPG for Birth Trauma
- Officer, APPG for Care-Experienced Children and Young People

Private Member's Bill

- On Wednesday 29th June 2016, Lucy presented a Private Member's Bill to the House: the "<u>Counter Terrorism and Security Act 2015 (Amendment) Bill</u>", which would have applied in England, Wales & Scotland.
- Lucy felt that the Counter Terrorism and Security Act 2015 placed an unnecessary burden on educational, caring and other responsible persons in carrying out their respective roles.
- The PMB aimed to "provide an exemption from the CTSA 2015 Section 26
 Clause 2 duty on teachers, carers and other responsible persons to report
 potential signs of extremism amongst, or radicalisation of, children in primary
 or early years educational settings and for connected purposes."
- The Bill was supported by former Liberal Democrat Minister, the Rt. Hon. Norman Lamb MP (Norfolk North).
- Lucy published <u>an article in PoliticsHome</u> advocating her Bill and arguing that the Prevent programme undermines trust between teachers and pupils.

In Committee

Women & Equalities - (January-May 2017)

Reports published during Lucy's tenure:

- 5th Report Women in the House of Commons after the 2020 elections
- 6th Report High heels and workplace dress codes
- 7th Report Ensuring strong equalities legislation after the EU exit
- 8th Report Implementation of Sustainable Development Goal 5 in the UK
- 9th Report Building for Equality: Disability and the Built Environment

Education (July 2015 – May 2017)

During Lucy's tenure on the Education committee from 2015-2019, she was a strong advocate of a comprehensive rethink of the Government's social care system, with a focus on championing children in care and supporting families on fringes of care system.

Following years of lobbying, it was announced in July 2023 that Telford was chosen by the Government to be one of six pilot areas participating in the new Family Network Support policy. The pilots will test how best to implement effective family group decision-making and Family Network Support Packages in local areas. They will also test the impact of providing flexible funding for extended family networks — to help keep families together and children out of care wherever appropriate.

Lucy had repeatedly called for a review into children's social care and contributed to the Independent Review of Children's Social Care undertaken by Josh MacAlister. The Family Network scheme was brought forward as a direct consequence of her work.

Reports published during Lucy's tenure:

- 1st Joint Report of the Education and Health Committees of Session 2016-17 -Children and young people's mental health—the role of education
- 1st Joint Special Report Education, skills and productivity: commissioned research
- 1st Report of the Sub-Committee on Education, Skills and the Economy -Careers education, information, advice and guidance
- 1st Report The role of Regional Schools Commissioners
- 2nd Report Appointment of Her Majesty's Chief Inspector of Education, Children's Services and Skills
- 2nd Report of the Sub-Committee on Education, Skills and the Economy Apprenticeships
- 2nd Report Holocaust education
- 3rd Report Social work reform

- 3rd Report Appointment of the Chief Regulator of Ofqual
- 4th Report Mental health and well-being of looked-after children
- 4th Report Evidence check: Grammar schools
- **5th Report** Recruitment and retention of teachers
- 6th Report Appointment of the Chair of the Office for Students
- 7th Report Multi-academy trusts
- 9th Report Exiting the EU: challenges and opportunities for higher education
- 11th Report Primary assessment

Health & Social Care (November 2021 – September 2023)

Lucy used her position on the Health and Social Care Committee to give a platform to the issues facing residents in Telford: Poor GP access, egregious ambulance waiting times, staff strikes and unaccountable NHS management.

Lucy committed her knowledge and experience to the Assisted Dying Inquiry, hoping that it would provide a balanced and factual basis on which Parliament could again consider the issue at a vote. During her time in Parliament support for assisted dying increased, although the Committee retained an anti-reform majority during Lucy's tenure.

Reports published during Lucy's tenure:

- 1st Report Pre-appointment hearing for the Government's preferred candidate for the role of Patient Safety Commissioner
- 2nd Report The impact of body image on mental and physical health
- 2nd Special Report The Health and Social Care Committee's Expert Panel: Evaluation of the Government's progress against its policy commitments in the area of mental health services in England
- **3**rd **Special Report** Expert Panel: evaluation of Government's commitments in the area of the health and social care workforce in England
- **3rd Report** Workforce: recruitment, training and retention in health and social care
- 4th Special Report Evaluation of Government commitments made on the digitisation of the NHS
- 4th Special Report Expert Panel: evaluation of the Government's commitments in the area of cancer services in England
- 4th Report The future of general practice
- **5**th **Report** Pre-appointment hearing with the Government's preferred candidate for the role of Chair of HSSIB
- 6th Report Follow-up on the IMMDS report and the Government's response
- 7th Report Integrated Care Systems: autonomy and accountability
- 8th Report Digital transformation in the NHS
- 8th Report Children and young people's mental health
- 9th Report NHS dentistry
- 9th Report Clearing the backlog caused by the pandemic

- **10**th **Special Report** Evaluation of the Government's commitments in the area of pharmacy in England
- 10th Report Prevention in health and social care: vaccination
- 10th Report Pre-appointment hearing for the position of Chair of NHS England
- 11th Report Pre-appointment hearing for the position of Chair of the Care Quality Commission
- 12th Report Cancer services
- 13th Report NHS litigation reform

Inquiries contributed to by Lucy:

- The future of General Practice (opened 16th November 2021)
- Workforce: recruitment, training and retention in health and social care (opened 23rd November 2021)
- The Impact of body image on mental and physical health (opened 1st December 2021)
- Integrated Care Systems: Autonomy and Accountability (opened 6th July 2022)
- Assisted Dying/Assisted Suicide (opened 5th December 2022)
- NHS Dentistry (opened 7th December 2022)
- Ambulance Delays and Strikes (opened 15th December 2022)
- The situation in A&E Departments (opened 12th January 2023)
- Prevention in Health & Social Care (opened 18th January 2023)
- Future Cancer (opened 21st March 2023)
- Pharmacy (opened 8th June 2023)
- Men's health (opened 20th July 2023)

In the Constituency

Towns Fund

- Lucy sits on the <u>Towns Fund Board</u> along with other senior local stakeholders and helped to design and shape the bid proposal for submission to Government.
- Telford <u>was announced</u> as a successful recipient on 8th June 2021 by Communities Secretary Robert Jenrick MP.
- The Government invested £22.3m in schemes <u>proposed by the Telford Towns</u>
 <u>Fund Board</u>, which include the regeneration of Station Quarter, with a new
 maths and digital skills hub devised in collaboration with Telford College at its
 heart.

Levelling Up Funding

- Telford was successful in round 2 of the Government's levelling up fund, <u>receiving £20 million</u> for projects across the community through the "Broadening Aspirations through Education and Culture" programme.
- The funding is to be spent on the redevelopment of the Telford Theatre
 (formerly known as "The Place") and the public realm in Oakengates, as well as
 allocating more money to the Station Quarter redevelopment pioneered by the
 Towns Fund.
- Lucy <u>raised her concerns</u> about Telford & Wrekin Council's use of this money to expand Telford Theatre at the expense of local residents and businesses, some of whom were forced to close their businesses or relocate.

Campaigning for Better Infrastructure

- Lucy held <u>Ministers</u> and Executives to account for unreliable rail services in Telford.
- Lucy <u>argued in Westminster Hall</u> for improvements to rolling stock, capacity and journey times for travellers from Telford.
- Lucy successfully lobbied against the closure of ticket offices in Telford and submitted her opposition to the proposal's consultation.
- Lucy <u>supported</u> Midlands Connect's <u>£3.5 billion plan</u> to revolutionise the West Midlands Rail Network, reduce journey times and increase the number of direct trains from Telford to London.
- Lucy <u>supported</u> the Ironbridge Railway Trust's bid for Government funding to reopen a historical railway link between Ironbridge and Bridgnorth.

Local Heritage

- Lucy backed the <u>Love Your Railway Campaign</u>, supporting the Telford Steam Railway with funding to continue operating many years into the future.
- Lucy <u>successfully lobbied</u> the Department for Digital, Culture, Media & Sport to include the Ironbridge Gorge Museums in the National Heritage Memorial Fund. The Museums received £9.9 million, safeguarding its future for many years.
- As a result of Lucy's lobbying, <u>Ironbridge received £379,000</u> as part of the Frequently Flooded Allowance to fund flood defences and protect the local community for yearly flooding.

Supporting Veterans

- Lucy <u>successfully recommended</u> local veteran Eddie Mansfield for a Prime Minister's Points of Light Award, which he received on his birthday, November 11th 2021.
- Lucy <u>presented the award in person</u> and <u>self-funded a plaque</u> on Telford's Veteran Trail in Eddie's name.
- Lucy <u>held Telford & Wrekin Council to account</u> in Parliament for its implementation of the Military Covenant.

During the Pandemic

- Lucy <u>published and communicated</u> rapidly-changing Government advice to constituents throughout the pandemic.
- Lucy demanded the Shropshire Clinical Commissioning Group <u>accelerate its</u> <u>vaccination programme</u>, which she feared was not ambitious or proactive enough at the height of the pandemic.
- Lucy <u>thanked the Officers</u> at Telford & Wrekin Council for their hard work administering Government support packages and supporting residents throughout the pandemic.
- Lucy argued for the ending of coronavirus restrictions as soon as possible given the massive impacts on local businesses, households and individuals.

Key Campaigns

Child Sexual Exploitation

Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE) is an issue that greatly affected Telford over a period of many years. Lucy has worked with victims and survivors to get their voice heard in Parliament and to have joined survivors in successfully campaigning for an inquiry.

- Since her election in 2015, Lucy put victims front and centre of her work in Parliament. Many who had been failed by the Police and the Council came directly to Lucy for help. Lucy ensured that they were listened to and their cases prosecuted, including a case where the victim was turned away three times by Police and following Lucy's intervention, the perpetrator has since been brought to justice.
- Lucy worked to secure legal representation for families, worked with the police and probation services locally to ensure new victims coming forward were properly heard and secured pro bono legal advice for victims, many of whom would ordinarily be unable to afford legal fees.
- It was through Lucy's <u>exhaustive lobbying</u> that the decision was taken to commission an Independent Inquiry into Telford CSE cases (IITCSE). The Inquiry, undertaken by law firm Eversheds Sutherland and Chaired by Tom Crowther KC, was published on 12th July 2022. The final report can be found <u>here.</u>
- Lucy <u>subsequently campaigned</u> to hold Telford & Wrekin Council and its Leader to account for what she saw as a poor response, lethargic and untransparent implementation of its recommendations, and failure to properly apologise to victims.

Parliamentary Action

- Lucy <u>campaigned to change the law</u> relating to early release of serious sexual
 offenders by highlighting the case of the Mubarek Ali. In March 2023 the
 Government changed the law so that serious sexual and violent offenders serve
 two-thirds of their sentence behind bars by default.
- Lucy took up the case of Ceri-Lee Galvin, a victim of CSE whose abuser and father had disguised himself from her by identifying as a woman. In doing so, she gave Ms Galvin a platform to challenge the Parole Board and contributed to a debate in Parliament on 9th March 2023.
- Lucy subsequently <u>signed an amendment</u> to the Victims and Prisoners Bill to close a loophole that allows registered sex offenders to change their names to disguise their identity.
- Lucy continued to lobby Justice Ministers for reforms to the Parole Board system, which routinely took inexplicable decisions to release the most depraved criminals back into society after serving fractions of their sentence. Lucy also worked cross-party with MPs whose constituencies have been

- affected by this issue, including prominent Labour campaigner against CSE Sarah Champion MP.
- Lucy worked with the Parole Board and the Victims' Commissioner to ensure victims are supported at the time of the release of offenders.
- After the report was published Lucy held an adjournment debate in Parliament and urged Telford and Wrekin Council to ensure all the recommendations of the report were implemented. You can read the full report from the IITCSE Inquiry on their website here.

Westminster Hall Debates:

- 19/4/2016 Children's Homes
- 25/10/2016 Child Sexual Exploitation: Telford
- 13/3/2018 Victims of Crime: Rights
- 22/5/2018 Child Sexual Exploitation and Consent to Sexual Intercourse
- 6/2/2019 Independent Inquiry into Child Sexual Exploitation
- 23/2/2022 Child Sexual Exploitation by Organised Networks
- 2/3/2023 Change of Name by Registered Sex Offenders

In the House of Commons:

- 14/9/2016 Prime Minister Hansard UK Parliament
- 19/7/2017 Engagements Hansard UK Parliament
- 5/9/2017 Child Sexual Exploitation: Sentencing Hansard UK Parliament
- 31/10/2017 Topical Questions Hansard UK Parliament
- 14/3/2018 Engagements Hansard UK Parliament
- 19/3/2018 Topical Questions Hansard UK Parliament
- 25/2/2019 Police Funding Hansard UK Parliament
- 28/1/2020 Criminal Law Hansard UK Parliament
- 11/2/2020 <u>Prisoners (Disclosure of Information About Victims) Hansard UK</u>
 Parliament
- 27/2/2020 Child Protection Hansard UK Parliament
- 16/9/2020 Sentencing White Paper Hansard UK Parliament
- 26/10/2021 Child Sexual Exploitation: Bradford Hansard UK Parliament
- 23/02/2022 <u>Child Sexual Exploitation by Organised Networks Hansard UK</u>
 <u>Parliament</u>
- **05/09/2022** <u>Telford Child Sexual Exploitation: Inquiry Hansard UK Parliament</u>

Online:

- 9/10/2017 Lucy Allan pleased that Mubarek Ali won't be returning to Telford
- 1/11/2017 Lucy Allan MP raises the early release of Mubarek Ali in Parliament
- 13/3/2018 <u>Lucy's Westminster Hall speech on child sexual exploitation (CSE)</u>
- 23/1/2019 <u>Lucy Allan raises lack of progress of Independent Inquiry into Child</u>
 Sexual Exploitation at Prime Minister's Questions
- 25/2/2019 <u>Lucy Allan raises CSE in Parliament with Minister for Crime, Safeguarding and Vulnerability</u>
- 6/2/2019 <u>Lucy Allan holds debate in Parliament on the progress of the</u> Independent Inquiry into Child Sexual Exploitation in Telford
- 1/3/2019 <u>Lucy Allan meets with Ministers to discuss Independent Inquiry into</u> Child Sexual Exploitation in Telford
- 23/2/2022 Lucy Allan MP contributes to Westminster Hall Debate on CSE
- 20/5/2022 <u>Lucy meets with West Mercia Police to discuss Independent Inquiry</u> into CSE in Telford
- 12/7/2022 Lucy Allan MP comments on release of Telford CSE Report
- 5/9/2022 Lucy holds debate on IITCSE Report

In the news:

- Telford grooming gang leader back behind bars BBC News
- MP slams decision to 'release former child sex gang ringleader Mubarek Ali 17 years early' | The Independent | The Independent
- Mubarek Ali: Why is he just being let out? | Shropshire Star
- Report into child sexual exploitation in Telford 'could find extensive failures' | Shropshire Star
- 'No time limit' call by MP on Telford CSE inquiry | Shropshire Star
- MP Lucy Allan calls for Telford child sex abuse inquiry BBC News
- Telford just shows how far we are from understanding child sexual exploitation (newstatesman.com)
- MP renews calls for inquiry into 'extremely shocking' child sexual abuse allegations | ITV News Central
- Telford child abuse gang ringleader freed | Shropshire Star
- Telford CSE inquiry 'like slow gravy train', MP says BBC News
- <u>Telford child sex abuse: Lessons need to be learned from inquiry, says MP Lucy</u> Allan | ITV News Central
- <u>Lucy Allan: After decades of failure, the victims of child sexual exploitation in Telford are finally being heard (politicshome.com)</u>

Maternity Care

- Lucy campaigned in Parliament for better maternity care nationally following the maternity scandal at the Shrewsbury and Telford Hospital Trust, where malpractice led to tragic injuries, deaths of babies and mothers, as well as birth trauma for many hundreds of women.
- Lucy demanded the Trust be placed in special measures and campaigned for the removal of the Trust CEO who had complained the media were scaremongering" about the scale of the problem. Both of these bjectives were achieved.
- Lucy worked with the then-Health Secretary Jeremy Hunt to secure an Inquiry into maternity care, which came around as <u>a direct result of her campaigning</u>.
 She continued to put pressure on the Government to make maternity care a national priority throughout her term of office.
- Former Secretary of State for Health Jeremy Hunt, who commissioned the Ockenden review, said: "I thank Lucy Allan for her tireless campaigning on this issue. It's not easy to publicly criticise a local hospital trust and for an honourable member to do that, as in this case, shows enormous courage."
- Since first being elected in 2015, Lucy has helped constituents affected to
 access medical negligence solicitors, to raise cases with hospital management
 and Ministers, and ensuring the families engaged with the <u>Ockenden Review</u>.
 Over 1,800 families were affected right across Shropshire, which covers 5
 Parliamentary Constituencies. Families suffered avoidable neonatal death or
 injury and maternal deaths.

Online:

- 10/5/2019 Further urgent action to be taken against local health trust
- 24/1/2020 <u>Lucy meets chairman and chief executive of Shrewsbury and Telford Hospital Trust</u>
- 21/4/2020 Ockenden review investigating 1170 maternity cases at Telford and Shrewsbury hospitals
- 10/12/2020 <u>Lucy Allan MP: The preliminary findings of the Ockenden Review</u>
 <u>must be acted on now</u>
- 11/3/2022 <u>Lucy Allan MP welcomes confirmation that the Ockenden Review</u> will be published ahead of parliamentary recess
- 30/3/2022 Ockenden Review into maternity care issues final report

In the Media:

- **8/11/2018** <u>National Health Executive Shrewsbury and Telford Hospital Trust</u> put into special measures
- 15/1/2020 ITV News Baby death review at Midlands Trust 'now dealing with 900 cases'
- 16/1/2020 The Telegraph Inquiry into baby deaths now looking at 900 cases
- 16/1/2020 BBC News Scale of Shropshire maternity scandal 'shocking'
- **18/7/2020** <u>Shropshire Star Royal College of Nursing still 'extremely' worried</u> about Shropshire hospital care
- 30/3/2022 <u>Shropshire Star MP calls for 'safer and more compassionate'</u> maternity care
- 31/3/2022 LBC 'Justice is coming for every baby' in maternity scandal
- 1/4/2022 GB News Lucy Allan MP talks about Maternity Scandal
- 4/4/2022 <u>Daily Express Ockenden Maternity Review has shocked me patients' voices must be heard</u>

In Hansard:

- 15/1/2020 <u>Adjournment debate</u>
- 16/1/2020 Business Question to the Leader of the House
- 10/12/2020 Statement on the Ockenden Review

On Facebook:

- 19/11/2019 https://www.facebook.com/LucyAllanForTelford/posts/2506460642808111
- 11/12/2020 https://www.facebook.com/LucyAllanForTelford/posts/3474984055955760
- 12/12/2020 https://www.facebook.com/LucyAllanForTelford/posts/3476588759128623

Post Office Horizon Scandal

- Lucy Allan MP campaigned for justice for sub-postmasters throughout her term in office, particularly on behalf her constituent Tracy Felstead. Ms Felstead was, like many other sub-postmasters, falsely convicted of false accounting and fraud, with her conviction quashed along with 38 others on 23rd April 2021.
- Liaising with the Criminal Cases Review Commission (CCRC), Lucy was confident that the evidence used to convict the sub-postmasters was unsound and fought on behalf of sub-postmasters throughout her time in Parliament.
- Working cross-party and as a member of the APPG on Post Offices, Lucy secured and engaged in parliamentary debates and question sessions to raise the profile of this scandal and keep pressure on the Post Office itself. She had a particular focus on holding Senior Management to account, many of whom had faced little to no consequence for their organisation's treatment of its own staff.
- Lucy met personally with Senior representatives of the Post Office in Parliament, including Chief Executive Nick Read and Head of the Post Office Remediation Unit, Simon Recaldin.
- On 3rd July 2023, Lucy <u>convened a meeting in Parliament</u> for Nick Read and Simon Recaldin to issue an in-person apology to Ms Felstead. to press her concerns and provide a voice for the wrongfully convicted Postmasters.
- All the links to Lucy's campaigning in Hansard, the official Parliamentary record, are available here.

In Parliament:

- 13/2/2020 Wrongful convictions question to Leader of the House
- 25/2/2020 <u>Lucy asks questions of the Lord Chancellor</u>
- 5/3/2020 Lucy leads debate in Parliament
- 10/3/2020 <u>Lucy accompanies constituent to give evidence at BEIS select</u> committee
- 19/3/2020 Lucy raises the role of the Criminal Cases Review Commission 2020
- 10/6/2020 Lucy raises the matter with Business Minister at Urgent Question
- 2/10/2020 Convictions are quashed and summary of Lucy's work to date
- 5/10/2020 Lucy asks for justice to be done
- 7/10/2020 Justice for Sub-Postmasters
- 24/3/2021 Lucy raises issue with Prime Minister at PMQ's
- 27/4/2021 Lucy raises Post Office Litigation
- 30/4/2021 Prime Minister meets Tracy Felstead
- 21/5/2021 Lucy seeks compensation for all victims of Post Office Scandal
- 15/12/2021 Lucy asks Minister Scully to ensure justice for the 555 postmasters
- 24/2/2022 <u>Lucy asks Minister to ensure that civil servants who were involved</u> in the Horizon scandal can be held to account
- 22/3/2022 <u>Lucy criticises the Post Office's use of group litigation and seeks an apology</u>
- 4/7/2023 <u>Lucy Allan hosts meeting between Chief Executive of Post Office and Telford's Tracy Felstead</u>

In the media:

- 14/2/2020 Shropshire Star Post Office jail terms a 'national scandal' says MP
- 7/3/2020 Daily Mirror <u>Post Office scandal as 'dodgy' IT system STILL causing errors worth £1million</u>
- 6/10/2020 Shropshire Star Post office continues to review Horizon cases
- 7/10/2020 Shropshire Star Groupthink led to wrongful convictions, says MP
- 24/04/2021 BBC News <u>Post Office worker Tracy Felstead 'over the moon' to</u> clear name
- 5/7/2023 Shropshire Star <u>Telford woman who was wrongly jailed in Horizon</u> scandal meets Post Office bosses face-to-face

The Princess Royal and reforming Future Fit

- The Future Fit plan for reconfiguration of healthcare in Shropshire was originally proposed in 2013 and would have seen the vast majority of services, including A&E, moved from the Princess Royal Hospital in Telford to the Royal Shrewsbury Hospital. It was hugely unpopular in Telford and residents were very concerned about the loss of local services. Lucy launched a <u>crowdfunding campaign</u> to finance a judicial review against the original iteration of the Future Fit plans.
- During Lucy's tenure, Shrewsbury and Telford Hospital Trust (SaTH) was, by every
 performance measure, in the bottom 10% of Trusts across the country, with multiple
 critical incidents declared. Years of controversy and indecision over the Future Fit
 scheme exacerbated the problems with Telford's healthcare.
- Following years of Lucy's campaigning, a new management team brought forward revised plans to improve hospital care and replaced Future Fit with the Hospital Transformation Programme (HTP), which would retain more services in Telford itself and better served residents. By taking the complex critical care cases out of the system and away from PRH, access for local people to the most frequently used A&E services at PRH will be greatly improved. This model of A&E care, (separating the most critical cases from the rest of A&E care) is used across the country and is one that leads to improvement in safety and access.

"Let me turn to my hon. Friend [Lucy Allan MP]'s two specific points relating to her health and care system. She highlighted her campaign to retain a 24/7 A&E local in Telford. As she said, in 2019 my Rt. Hon. Friend the Member for West Suffolk [Matt Hancock MP] made his decision, which still stands, for the Future Fit programme to proceed, but also, crucially, for an A&E local to be in place in Telford. It is very important that I put this on the record. The success of my Hon. Friend's Lucy Allan MP] call—the fact that that was agreed to—is down to her campaigning work on behalf of her constituents.

I suspect that without her, it may not have happened. The fact that it has, as I believe was confirmed by my Rt. Hon. Friend the current Secretary of State [Sajid Javid MP] in a letter to her recently, is testament to the success of her campaign, regardless of some of the more misleading views that have been spread around the course of this process. She has succeeded. She has campaigned for her constituents and she has won on this point, and I pay tribute to her."

Health Minister The Rt. Hon. Ed Argar MP, House of Commons, 22/3/2022

Changes Secured to Future Fit

- One of the first Community Diagnostic Centres <u>opened in Telford in October 2023</u>, providing services including MRI scans, CT scans, ultrasound scans, cardiology, X-rays, blood tests and respiratory checks. This will significantly accelerate diagnoses and reduce waiting times for patients in Telford. The CDC will deliver an extra 53,772 tests, checks and scans for residents very year.
- New dedicated <u>cancer centre</u>, <u>ambulance hub</u> and A&E infrastructure at the Princess Royal.
- £24 million new Planned Care unit at the Princess Royal.
- In February 2023, Lucy was issued a guarantee of the "full suite" of 24/7 Urgent Care services to be retained at the Princess Royal.

Online

- Lucy Allan MP: Fighting for better healthcare in Telford
- <u>Lucy Allan will lead a debate in Parliament on the legal requirement to reduce health</u> inequalities
- Health Secretary confirms that Independent Panel will consider all the evidence in Future Fit decision
- Health Secretary tasks NHS with keeping A&E at Princess Royal open
- Lucy Allan MP welcomes £21 million of funding for Shropshire Hospitals
- Lucy welcomes £24 million new planned care hub at the Princess Royal
- Lucy welcomes new dedicated cancer centre at the Princess Royal Hospital
- Lucy visits Telford's new Community Diagnostic Centre

In the media

- 28/10/2019 Shropshire Star Telford MP launches crowdfunding campaign to stop Future Fit
- 3/11/2022 Work begins on Telford Princess Royal Hospital surgery unit
- 13/2/2023 Shropshire Star New county diagnostics centre will help save lives and cut waiting lists, says Health Secretary
- 29/6/2023 Shropshire Star Health bosses praise new ambulance hub for reducing delays at Telford Hospital

Assisted Dying

- Lucy has been one of Parliament's most outspoken advocates for the right of terminally ill people to choose to end their own lives.
- Lucy was an instrumental contributor to the Health & Social Care Committee's inquiry on assisted dying, although the committee members had a majority against its legalisation during her tenure.
- Lucy was an active member of the APPG for Choice at the End of Life, working closely with other members of the committee in favour of reform to the law. Lucy always argued for a free vote in Parliament, recognising that during her time as an MP the mood in Parliament had shifted in favour of reform.
- Full details about the Assisted Dying Inquiry is available on the Health & Social Care Committee's website here.

Parliamentary Debates

- 11/9/2015 Assisted Dying (No.2) Bill
- 8/10/2019 Assisted Dying
- 4/7/2022 <u>Assisted Dying</u>

In the media

- 11/9/2015 Daily Mail Shock as 'right to die' for the terminally ill law is overwhelmingly defeated by MPs after highly-charged four-hour debate
- 11/10/2019 Express & Star 'Parliament is out of step': Telford MP calls for assisted dying to be made legal
- 9/1/2020 Shropshire Star Telford MP calls for Assisted Dying Inquiry
- 7/12/2022 Shropshire Star Telford MP welcomes Inquiry into assisted dying
- 16/2/2023 Evening Standard What is assisted dying?

Online

- Lucy's Telford Journal Column: Assisted Dying Inquiry
- Lucy Allan MP Contributes to Parliamentary Debate on Assisted Dying
- Transcript of roundtable for the Health and Social Care Committee Inquiry into Assisted Dying
- <u>Dignity in Dying (Facebook) Lucy Allan MP Lucy Allan MP represents her</u>
 <u>constituent Sarah at the first #AssistedDying debate by MPs in over two years</u>
- Assisted Dying Debate: Most MPs Back Reform
- Conservatives for Choice at the End of Life