## BETTER LEARNING, EDUCATION AND SCHOOL

## **GREEN VISION: What are we aiming for overall?**

Education should be about inspiring a love of learning and ensuring that every young person can reach their potential. Yet too many children are failing to thrive in an education system that operates like a production line rather than valuing their individual qualities. An investment in the next generation is the most important investment we can make.

School budgets are tight, insufficient funding lack of provision for SEND especially with complex needs. Lots of children missing out on an education and leaving school with no qualifications. Part-time school goes on for too long with a negative impact.

Valuing training and opportunities for apprenticeships to support the green economy.

## GREEN Priorities: What we will try to do in the next four years

- Lobby for investment in school buildings.
- Lobby the government to expand the provision of SEND places within the city.
- Push for free school meals.
- Call for more climate education within our schools.
- Implement School Streets where people want them, to make the walk to school safer and healthier.
- Provide primary school children with access to one-to-one counselling to help tackle the mental health crisis.



## **GREEN ACTION: What we have done**

- Met with local schools and lobbied for more SEND provision.
- Called for a "Wheels to Education" programme to help more deprived residents without access to a car or public transport to get to education sites by bike.
- Successfully called for an investigation into the impact of the pandemic on the educational outcomes of the most disadvantaged.