

# Emily Thornberry MP

ISLINGTON SOUTH AND FINSBURY

March Report



## Islington CLP Fundraising Dinner

On Monday 20th February, I hosted one of our most successful Frederick's Fundraising dinners to date.

The night raised vital money so we can continue delivering our local campaigns and establishing ourselves as General Election ready.

Members enjoyed a great speech by my friend and colleague, Lisa Nandy. We are determined to be sure that our country will finally have a Labour government at the next election.



A raffle by Grayson Perry

## A Tory Budget to Paper the Cracks

**13 YEARS OF  
TORY FAILURE**  
**LOW GROWTH  
LOW WAGES  
HIGH PRICES**



This Budget was a chance for the government to unlock Britain's promise and potential but instead they are continuing to paper over the cracks of their own failure. The only surprise today was a handout for the richest 1% and their pension pots.

Whatever the headlines about technical recessions, the Office for Budget Responsibility is still predicting the economy to shrink by 0.2%. While the Tories are content with managed decline, Labour won't accept anything less than growth.



# Guardian profile

In February I was profiled by The Guardian's G2 magazine, who also joined me on a campaign visit to Thanet. In the profile, I got the opportunity to discuss my upbringing and my parliamentary career.

I think it is clear from the article that there is nothing I love more than being out on the campaign trail fighting for a Labour government.

You can [read it here](#).



**The G2 interview**

**Emily Thornberry: 'A whip threw me against a wall. He was so close I got spit in my face'**

## International Women's Day and visit to Primary Schools



Speaking at Winton Primary School

It was such a delight to visit Winton Primary School and the City of London Primary Academy to talk to the pupils about women in politics, ahead of International Women's Day.

As some of you might have seen from my [article in the Islington Tribune](#), I'm passionate about encouraging the next generation of young women to get into parliament, which is why I was inspired by the level of knowledge and enthusiasm shown by even such young children. Who knows - maybe a future female Labour MP for Islington South and Finsbury was sat right in front of me!



# Matt Hancock's Expensive Taps

As key workers struggled during the pandemic with bin bags as PPE and a shortage of Covid tests, I exposed Matt Hancock spending £15,000 on fancy new taps in his office's bathrooms.

Tory ministers truly think it is one rule for them and another for everyone else. But after everything we've discovered this past week, it will take more than a thousand pound tap to wash Matt Hancock's hands clean.



## Falling Prosecutor Numbers

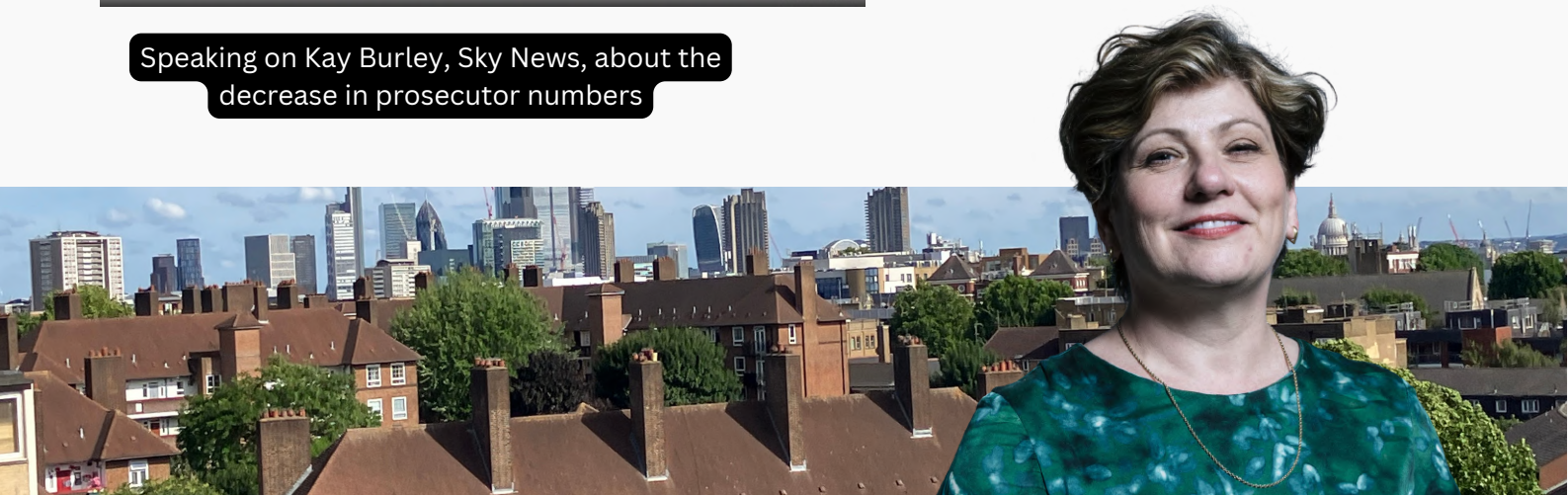
Through my parliamentary questions to the Attorney General, we have discovered that the number of prosecutors in the Crown Prosecution service has declined by an astounding 25% in a year. This is a worrying figure as courts up and down the country are facing record backlogs.



These backlogs worsen the terrible trauma of victims and increase the risk of cases collapsing, letting possible perpetrators off scott free.

The Tories are missing in action in the fight against crime, and sleepwalking through a staffing crisis that risks making the record court backlogs even worse. Labour would act immediately to increase the numbers of Crown Prosecutors, clear the backlogs, and get justice done.

Speaking on Kay Burley, Sky News, about the decrease in prosecutor numbers



# Diary

## Constituency

### February

20 Feb - CLP Fundraising Dinner  
26 Feb - Meeting the Arundel Square Association  
27 Feb - Visited the Margins at Union Chapel

### March

2 Mar - Visited Smart Works  
3 Mar - Constituency surgery  
3 Mar - Visited Rosa's Thai  
4 Mar - Attended the opening of the Finsbury Estate Playground  
10 Mar - Visited City of London Primary School  
11 Mar - Constituency Surgery  
13 Mar - Event at St Stephen's Church

## Media

### February

13 Feb - Media launch of the Labour GPC Files investigation  
20 Feb - Profile in The Guardian  
21 Feb - LBC Cross Question with Iain Dale  
22 Feb - Media round including Times Radio, Sky News, Bauer Media, LBC News, GB News and ITN

### March

9 Mar - Media round including Channel 5 News, BBC News, Times Radio, and Sky News

## Parliament and Shadow Attorney General

### February

25 Feb - Campaigning in Stoke-on-Trent  
28 Feb - Meeting with the Legal Aid Parliamentary Group  
28 Feb - Irish diaspora reception

### March

1 Mar - Meeting with the Law Commission  
1 Mar - Meeting Foreign Office Lawyers to discuss the war in Ukraine  
1 Mar - Meeting with the Attorney General's office  
7 Mar - Meeting with the Law Centres Network  
8 Mar - International Women's Day Business Event  
9 Mar - LSE Labour Society event  
14 Mar - Fraud policy visit to Portsmouth University

