

County Council Elections - May 6th!

Meet Our Candidates

Welcome to the Election Edition. Meet our candidates and see what we are doing to win more seats on East Sussex County Council



James Partridge Crowborough Nth & Jarvis Brook
Lucy Buck Wealden North East
Tim Murray Uckfield North
Beverley Johnstone Arlington, East Hoathly & Hellingly

Chris Bowers Uckfield South with Framfield
Neil Cleaver Hailsham New Town
Elizabeth Riminton Maresfield & Buxted

Anne Blake-Coggins Hailsham South **
Steve Murphy Hailsham Market
Jane Clark Heathfield & Mayfield
Gareth Owen-Williams Crowborough Sth & St. Johns

Newsflash!

A last minute Tory resignation in Hailsham North means another District Council by-election. Brilliant news that Hailsham mayor **Paul Holbrook** will now stand for the Lib Dems.



All of our candidates are fighting for a seat on East Sussex County Council
Except ** denotes Wealden District Council by-election candidate
See bios of all candidates on our website <https://wealdenlibdems.org.uk/en/>

What's Up for Grabs on May 6th?

1. East Sussex County Council.

Currently 30 of the 50 councillors are Conservative

There are 11 Lib Dems but **none of their seats are in Wealden**

The council is badly unbalanced because of the significant Tory majority

How many seats do we want on May 6th? - min. of 20 including 5 in Wealden

2. Wealden District Council.

There are by-elections in Hailsham South and Hailsham North

More councillors gives us a better chance of fighting bad housing plans

3. East Sussex Police Commissioner - Lib Dem candidate **Jamie Bennett**

We need to wipe out the Conservative majority on East Sussex County Council.

These elections give us a big opportunity to do that, as together with Lib Dems from elsewhere in East Sussex we could become a key player at City Hall.

What Must We Do To Win?

Winning a Council Seat

Engage with voters - delivering leaflets, canvassing, social media

Get the vote out - promote postal votes, display a poster or board

Raise the funds - to produce our leaflets



Postal voting registration deadline is April 20th!

How Can You Help?

1. Make sure that you register for postal voting [here](#)
2. Since March 8th have been able to make house to house deliveries. It takes about an hour to deliver 100 leaflets. We have thousands of leaflets to deliver so every offer of help, no matter how small, will help get us to our target

[Volunteer To Help Here](#)

3. Some [candidates](#) have Facebook and Twitter accounts. Why not follow them and share their posts?



4. Donate via our website [here](#)

Countdown to Election Day May 6th!

We need more Lib Dems in all levels of local government, to drive change for our communities.

What's Our Message?

Our Chair James Partridge



The end of our third national lockdown is finally in sight. This past year has been incredibly challenging, especially for those who've suffered directly due to COVID.

But all this adversity has brought out the very best in our community too - people have shown great resilience and compassion, supporting each other and our local businesses.

The world has changed, and we Liberal Democrats must also change our priorities, along with how we do things from now on. If you agree with our vision for a brighter future, please help us win as many seats as possible this May!

James

Are these elections important? **Yes!!**

After 20 years of unbroken and increasingly complacent Conservative rule in County Hall we need councillors who will fight for local interests, represent all residents and insist on **CHANGE**.

People

Putting people first, not politics; prioritising investment in young people, community assets and services so that everyone can thrive and no child is left behind.

Place

Tackling the climate; investing in roads and infrastructure; protecting the countryside and Ashdown Forest so that Wealden remains a great place to live.

Prosperity

Supporting and encouraging local businesses with wealth generation and job creation; ensuring council tax is well spent with maximum return for taxpayers.

Planning

Saying **NO** to continued overdevelopment; challenging the huge numbers - and type - of housing applications. We need to shout about the numbers being built, the woeful lack of infrastructure provision, the pressure on our services and the added congestion to our roads and country lanes.

Voting more Lib Dems onto both the County and District Councils will give us the authority to not only challenge the Conservatives but to stop them from continuing to favour greedy developers at the expense of local communities.



"Three simple words - freedom, justice and honesty. These sum up what the Liberal Democrats stand for" Charles Kennedy