

Focus



Clare Clark selected for Epsom West

The Lib Dem Focus team are delighted to introduce **Clare Clark** as our candidate for Epsom West in the county council election.

Like many modern Lib Dems, Clare joined the party only recently, but has quickly become an active Focus team member.

Her '60 second surveys' are building a picture of local problems.



See inside for the 2017 Liberal Democrat Manifesto for Surrey



Clare Clark says:

“Ensuring the best outcome for local residents requires a councillor who will seek your views and work with the other councillors to benefit the area.

“Making improvements whilst keeping high-quality services means avoiding waste and working cost-effectively, but when delivering public services the needs of people must always come first.”

About Clare Clark

As a local working mother with 3 young children, Clare understands the problems many residents face and is well suited to represent you as your county councillor.

Clare's job as a lawyer is part-time, so residents will be able to get a swift response to their emails or phone calls and arrange face-to-face meetings where needed.

Clare is a member of the Epsom Common Association as well as her local residents association, and is also a trustee of the Newcomen Collett Foundation in Southwark.

In her spare time she enjoys spending time with family and friends, music, heritage and literature.

Thursday May 4th – make a fresh start!

Over the last 18 months, residents seeking the aid of their new Conservative county councillor have not received the sort of help you used to get from your former Liberal Democrat county councillors.

On 4th May you can choose a new representative who will listen to and champion the needs of local residents, not just act as a mouthpiece for the council, nor meekly follow the demands of party leaders.

Clare Clark

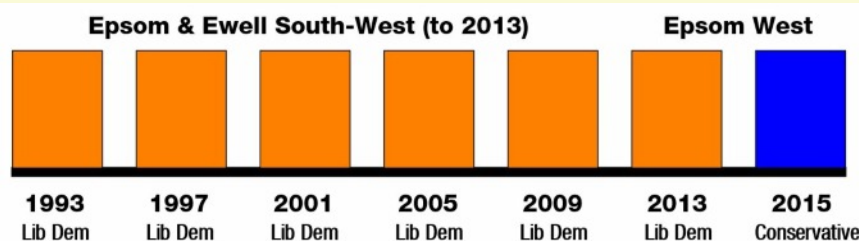


The Liberal Democrat Record for Epsom West



Epsom West was formed in 2013. Most of this area was part of Epsom & Ewell South-West, with active Lib Dem county councillors from 1993 to 2015.

The current county councillor is a Conservative.



All around us are signs of the improved safety and quality of life resulting from the efforts of previous Lib Dem councillors, benefiting children, cyclists, motorists, pedestrians and shop-keepers alike.

Off-road cycle paths, warning signs to protect children, bollards to protect grass verges, street corner marking to protect sight lines, parking limits outside shops and soft verge hardening to allow one-wheel-off parking are just a few examples.



Epsom Lib Dems have also:

- Successfully campaigned against parking meters outside shops.
- Called for additional school places nearer to new homes.
- Promoted conservation work on Epsom Common.
- Led the campaign to bring Epsom station into Zone 6.

The SCC Lib Dems have:

- Campaigned for improvements to Surrey's roads and pavements.
- Promoted key-worker housing.
- Held the Tories to account for their failing Social Services.
- Promoted increased recruitment and retention of social workers.
- Opposed withdrawing grants from voluntary care organisations.
- Promoted providing special needs education within the county itself.
- Opposed large extra payments to senior Conservative councillors.
- Exposed overnight away-days held in expensive hotels.

Surrey County Council

Surrey has been run by the Conservatives for the last 20 years. The Liberal Democrats are the main opposition party at county hall.

There is only 1 Labour councillor.

Six to Fix

Six key issues for Epsom:

- ✓ No charges for recycling at tips.
- ✓ Places at schools close to home.
- ✓ 20 mph speed limits where wanted.
- ✓ Improve repair of roads and footways.
- ✓ Support for voluntary social services.
- ✓ Longer opening hours at youth centres.

P.S. Naturally, we also continue to support:

- ✓ Keeping services at Epsom Hospital.
- ✓ Bringing Epsom Station into Oyster Zone 6.
- ✓ Extending Crossrail 2 to Epsom.
- ✓ Protecting the Green Belt.
- ✓ Residents Parking (but only where wanted).

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For more details of our manifesto, see our website at: www.e-e.lib.dm/manifesto

The Conservatives are embarrassing Surrey. We can't go on like this...

"Just 39% of residents think Surrey County Council is 'value for money'"

Get Surrey, 14/2/17

Surrey County Council has paid out more than £1.2m in pothole compensation claims since 2012

Get Surrey 22/2/17

Surrey council tax row: Leaked texts, 'gentleman's agreements' and public outcry

Get Surrey, 10/2/17

"Surrey County Council abandon 15% council tax rise"

ITV News 7/2/17

Surrey County Council criticised for £1 million spend on 'propaganda' magazine

Surrey Mirror, 15/4/16

"Hundreds of thousands of pounds to be cut from Surrey County Council's libraries budget"

Epsom Guardian, 6/3/17

Calls for 'secret' list of county council owned properties and land to be made public

Get Surrey 23/2/17

Surrey County Council leader third highest paid in south east of England as expenses bill soars

Epsom Guardian, 21/3/16

Surrey council tax rise would raise £90m but the council has £136m invested outside the county

Surrey Mirror, 24/1/17

For real change in Surrey, vote Lib Dem on May 4th



News headlines from Surrey County Council

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Council Tax to rise 15% this year? Services also cut by £93 million?

Was this just a bad dream? – Unfortunately, no it wasn't.

Surrey's Conservative Leaders proposed this tax rise.

Thousands of residents signed a Liberal Democrat petition – then Surrey County Council backed down.

The tax rise is now 5%, with services cut by £123 million.

With the Conservative Council's finances in such a shambolic state, surely there must be a better way?

Yes, there is - Back the Lib Dems in May's Elections!

Elect a Team who will champion Surrey residents and deliver the services they need, with a Fair Council Tax.

Join your local Lib Dem team

Your local Lib Dem FOCUS team relies on the support of volunteers. Can you help Clare Clark win this election?

Name(s):

Address:

E-mail:

- I can help deliver leaflets in my area.
- I can help talk to residents either on the doorstep or by phone.
- I can help with telling outside polling stations.
- I'd like to join the Liberal Democrats.

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