



## Steve Gee is Lib Dem Candidate for MP

Steve has lived with his wife and family in the Epsom and Ewell constituency for 27 years. He fought the seat in the 2015 General Election.

Steve comments “My campaign is already off to a flying start. I have met people from right across the area and heard about their concerns.

“My message is clear: if you want Britain to be open, tolerant and united, vote Liberal Democrat. If you want proper investment in the NHS, Social Care and Schools, vote Liberal Democrat.

“Labour are a shambles. Under Jeremy Corbyn, they aren’t even an effective Opposition, never mind a Government in waiting.

“They voted with the Tories to trigger Brexit without any guarantees for EU citizens living here.

”They backed the Tories on taking Britain out of the Customs Union and Single Market on which our trade and jobs depend.

“A vote for the Lib Dems is a vote for a stronger opposition to Mrs Theresa May’s ‘Hard Brexit’ Tory Government. A vote for the Lib Dems is now also the only way that the people of Epsom and Ewell (who voted in favour of ‘Remain’) can demand a vote on the final Brexit package.

“I say let’s trust the people, not the politicians, with that decision.

**“In return, I am asking you to trust in me as a strong voice for our area in Parliament, as part of an effective opposition to the ‘Hard Brexit’ Conservative government and to the approach and the failed policies of one of the leading charlatans of the ‘Leave’ campaign – Chris ‘Failing’ Grayling.”**

## NHS, Health and Social Care

**The Liberal Democrats will always fight to protect our health and care system – and to ensure that it can carry on delivering for future generations.**

But to do that, we must recognise and address the critical funding and capacity challenges that these services face. The Liberal Democrats would use a 1p rise in income tax to increase spending by £4bn a year in the NHS and £2bn in Social Care.

**The country needs additional investment in health and care services as a matter of urgency – not the ‘fake news’ £350m a week promised by ‘Failing Grayling’ and his ‘Leave’ supporter friends – proper increases in funding.**

**The NHS must provide high quality health care to all, both physical health and mental health.**

We have long campaigned for equality of mental health care. In Government we secured additional investment and set the first treatment waiting-time standards for mental health – and we will continue to campaign tirelessly for the highest standards of care and for the extra money that is still needed.

We also want health and care services integrated and people empowered to control their own care through personal budgets that will allow them to choose services to fit their individual needs.

**Whilst these changes take place, we would ensure funds are in place to keep hospitals like Epsom fully supported – and from next year to increase NHS pay in line with inflation.**





## Schools budgets slashed

Conservative cuts to school budgets will be even more severe than feared. Primary schools will receive £399 LESS for each pupil in coming years while secondary schools face cuts of £477 per pupil.

Government claims that they are spending more on Education fail to take into account the increased number of pupils. **Head teachers should not be asking parents for contributions to the everyday operation of their schools nor making cuts to numbers of teachers.**

Rather than improving opportunities for everyone, the Conservatives are only interested in expanding grammar schools for the few, diverting funds into expensive new free schools, often in areas that don't have any additional demand.

**Tory policies are driven by dogma rather than by any proven benefit to children's education.**

The Lib Dems would invest nearly £7bn more in schools and colleges over the next parliament.

They would reverse cuts to frontline school and college budgets, protect funding per pupil in real terms and ensure no school loses out from the National Funding Formula.

**This would mean another £38m of investment for schools in Surrey**, paid for by reversing the Tories' proposed cuts to Corporation Tax and by diverting funds from Theresa May's vanity projects.

## Can you help our campaign?

Can you display a poster, help our street stall, deliver leaflets, canvas or join the party?

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"Help in General Election"  
or "Join us"
- or write to Epsom & Ewell Lib Dems at:  
7 Bridge Road, Epsom.

## Failing Grayling strikes again

Our local MP has become well known by making a mess of most of the Cabinet positions he has held. His time as the Justice Secretary included, amongst many calamities, the infamous banning of books for prisoners.

As Transport Secretary his miss-management of the Southern Rail contract has prolonged the long running dispute, causing misery to commuters.

In 2015 Chris Grayling made many pledges to the people of Epsom, few of which he has delivered.

**His biggest whopper was a promise to extend Oyster card Zone 6 to Epsom Station by the Summer of 2015.**

As Transport Secretary you might think he can influence this. He is offering contactless pay-as-you-go ticketing, but not Oyster and not Zone 6.

**Be very wary of what he promises this time!**



## United in fighting Hard Brexit

**Chris 'Failing' Grayling was the only cabinet minister to share a platform with Nigel Farage during the referendum campaign.**

So we can be sure he was pleased to hear about Farage's delight at Mrs May's extremist vision of Brexit and pulling Britain out of the single market.

Her extreme version of Brexit might please UKIP supporters, but it will be bad for the economy and bad for the jobs of working people.

**It certainly wasn't what the vast majority of people voted for last June.**

Millions of 'Remain' and moderate 'Leave' voters need a leader and a party who will fight their corner.

Tim Farron and the Liberal Democrats are fighting for a country that is Open, Tolerant and Free.

**Join us and vote to change the direction of this country on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> June.**