



FOCUS on Littleham Ward

East Devon Liberal Democrats Working For You

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- **A National Party** with a coherent message from your doorstep all the way to Westminster
- **Local Activists** hard-working and approachable with a reputation for providing balanced sensible and rational local government
- **Strong Opposition** in East Devon the Lib Dems are the only consistent political party scrutinising the Conservatives
- **Success** in the last two years the Lib Dems have been winning by-elections all over the country

Old hands - New faces

Although it's difficult to take our eyes off national politics at the moment, here in East Devon we are getting ready for the District and Town Council Elections on 2nd May
In Littleham Ward we are fielding a team of seasoned campaigners and new candidates eager to meet you, hear your concerns and serve our community.

Focus on Brian Bailey brianbailey775@gmail.com

Brian is married with 3 children and 12 grandchildren. He has recently retired after 20 years as a taxi operator in Exmouth. Brian was a town councillor in Budleigh Salterton from 1995-2012 and was mayor in 2003. He moved to Exmouth in 2012 and was elected to both the town council and district council in 2015. At present he is lead councillor for East Devon Community Safety Partnership, working with local Police, fire service, social workers and local residents



Focus on Ono Olmedo ono.exmouth@gmail.com

Ono lives in Littleham with his family. He is an assistant professor at the University of Bristol. He is passionate about education and fully aware and horrified by the reduction of funding resulting in a shortage of teachers and resources for our local schools.

Ono is a keen sailor and kitesurfer. He believes that our stunning beach and sea should be accessible to all and enjoyed by everyone.



Focus on David Poor

David has been a Councillor for 12 years in two other areas. He has specialised in Housing and Environmental Issues and has been a council cabinet member for Housing as well as a Liberal Democrat council spokesman on Housing

He led a council task force looking at the complex issues around homelessness and why people live on the streets.

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Focus on LITTLEHAM

- There is a great deal that needs sorting out in our area.
- **Housing.** We need more social and affordable houses
 - **Seafront** We need a seafront to be proud of and which can be used by us and generate money from our visitors
 - **Schools and Families** We need more school spaces for our children
 - **Health.** We need to improve our clinics and hospitals
 - **Transport** We need to have more frequent buses and better access to our local hospital

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Our Sea Front

Our Sea Front is one of the best in the UK. It is the jewel in Exmouth's crown but David, Brian and Ono all feel strongly that it's proposed development has been handled badly. We would like The Queens Drive play park to be expanded to have additional facilities for older children and we think the facilities should be permanent being used by both local residents and visitors.. But let's be frank about this, the Council stumbled into doing it only because of the public outcry about the way the Council was managing the whole project. We think it has been plagued by

- Lack of direction
- Lack of communication
- Lack of proper forward planning

We would also support the continued use of the cafes and other seafront facilities and feel that they should not be part of the Queens Drive redevelopment but we would happily work for them to be enhanced to continue providing a popular choice for families.



Housing

Just 25% of all new developments in our area are allocated for affordable housing. We have to recognise that many people in our area are on low wages and so cannot afford so-called 'affordable housing'; which is actually 80% of market value. We think that East Devon should provide much more social (council) housing and housing which is more affordable to our local residents. By providing a mix of self build houses, shared ownership, help to buy and intermediate tenures.

These simple measures will give our residents who cannot afford to buy a roof over their heads, the chance of getting proper accommodation

Education, young people and families

Our Littleham ward is the biggest and most diverse in Exmouth. The new housing developments mean that we are also getting more younger people! As a result, we have an urgent need to create more facilities to support the new families and young people moving into our area. Our local school, Littleham CoE Primary, is doing a great job as recent inspections show. But it is also suffering like all schools around the country from the callous cuts that the government is imposing on public services. Our local school should be one of our priorities. We need to support it in any way we can and make sure that it is fully resourced so that it can open its doors to the new families that will be moving into our neighbourhood in the coming years. As part of the new housing developments funds were promised for an extension of our school building but it now seems that it might not happen... we need to fight to make sure that these funds do not go away!



Improvements for our area

After talking to Ambulance and Fire Service staff and motorists your Liberal Democrat Councillors were successful in getting a motion through the Exmouth Town Council asking the County Council to urgently look at putting traffic lights at the Junction of the Liverton Park and Salterton Rd. Helping to make access and egress much easier and safer, this is now in the hands of County Councillors, but we will continue to push for swift action.

The recently agreed Local Neighbourhood Plan suggested that a new access road be provided from Salterton Road to Sandy Bay as long as the money was available and also that a new valley park be provided for Littleham. What do you think of these proposals ?



Lets put it in context, a statement from our Prospective Parliamentary Candidate. Councillor Eleanor Rylance

It's never been more important to protect our local services, a true lifeline for the people of Exmouth. By voting on May 2nd for your local LibDem team, you will be electing active local campaigners backed up by a hard-working and dedicated parliamentary party. LibDem councillors can rapidly take your concerns to our MPs and Peers.

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