



FOCUS



East Devon Liberal Democrats Working For You

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**

With all of our existing District councillors standing again are we delighted to be fielding a team of seasoned campaigners and new candidates eager to meet you, hear your concerns and serve our community.

These are some of the issues they have been working on
What are your views ? Please tell us info@eastdevonlibdem.org.uk

Focus on Environment.

Actions speak louder than words

Exmouth Councillor Alex Sadiq Chairs Exmouth Town Council Plastic Reduction Group:

- Working with local businesses to encourage reduction in waste
- Overseeing a waste audit of the Magnolia shopping centre to understand how we can best reduce waste and increase recycling
- Supporting and promoting international climate protection initiatives
- Reviewing waste practice at the town council by reducing the use of single use plastics



Focus on Education

What's happening in Devon Schools?

Ono Olmedo Lib Dem Candidate, Reader in Education Policy Bristol University. Ono has been out and about talking to parents and teachers:

- Did you know Devon schools are losing funding? This is even more acute for children with special needs.
- Class sizes are increasing
- Devon schools had to cut 600 teacher and teaching support posts last year



And the Government says there is no crisis in our schools! We know different!

Focus on Protecting Services

Monitoring the effects of Government policy on our Communities



Councillor Steve Gazzard and his colleagues are in touch with the communities they represent and will feed back issues and concerns to our MPs and County Councillors

Current matters we are monitoring:

- Police numbers in East Devon
- Pressure on the Ambulance service leading to dangerous delays in response
- The almost total loss of community care services for older people

Focus on Rural Issues

Building communities



Eleanor Rylance
Rebecca Lipscombe and

Sarah Chamberlain Community Activists & Working Mums

Candidates for Broadclyst.

Busy members of their communities, Eleanor Rebecca and Sarah are concerned about:

- Accessible services in our villages and in the new housing developments across East Devon.
- Preserving our villages - many have already lost shops, pubs, post offices and schools
- Pressing for the roll out of fast broadband into rural areas



WHAT ARE WE WAITING FOR? LET'S GET MOVING!

We know East Devon because we live here too. The Lib Dems are very much setting the progressive agenda at East Devon District and Exmouth Town Councils. We are passionate about local politics and want to work with you and for you, creating and supporting policies that work. We are an approachable team and would invite you to contact us with any of the issues or concerns that matter to you. Email info@eastdevonlibdems.org.uk

Some of the concerns we have picked up include:

- Planning decisions that seem to take little account of local people
- Growing pressure on our schools as funding is reduced
- Poor public transport and broadband that hinder business and families
- Concerns from the farming and business community about a no-deal or bad Brexit.
- Pressure on health and social care services
- Developments that are not sustainable or family friendly



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'Reasons to be Cheerful' Why vote Lib Dem in East Devon?

- **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



Working hard all year round

