Tilly McAuliffe



A lifelong and passionate Liberal Democrat and active volunteer, since 2021 I have been Party Treasurer, maximising fundraising opportunities to help give the party every chance for success. I also sit on FFRC and FASC.

Previously, I chaired the Lib Dem Business Network, served on the London Regional Executive, and LD Creative Network and am the recipient of the Harriet Smith Award in 2018. I am Brentbased and a three-time council candidate.

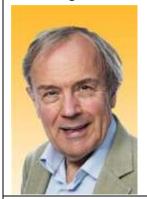
Professionally, I co-own Think Publishing Ltd, am a director of the Professional Publishing Association and a trustee of the think tank Demos.

Simon Robinson



Ordinary members are key to the LibDems. The central party's focus on winnable seats has got us many more MPs but at the cost of neglecting local parties and ordinary members elsewhere including large areas of London. I will seek to build on our electoral success but also rebalance so that we can become a truly national party. Joining the LibDems should mean becoming part of a vibrant party, welcoming to everyone and giving all members a voice, active in the community, and spreading liberal ideas to fight Reform, no matter where you live. My blog is at https://www.libdemworld.com.

simon mcgrath



I am standing for one of London reps to the English Council to carry on supporting the new English Party Chair, Caroline Pidgeon, in the work she is doing to make the English Party an effective body, focused on winning elections rather than internal bureaucracy.

Unfortunately there are a number of people on the Council (most not from London!) who oppose any change and its important that London elects people to the English Council to support her

I have served on English Council on several occasions over the last 20 years representing LDYS, Yorkshire & the Humber and London Regions at different periods. As an active member in Lambeth, I want to make sure we include the voice of members

Simon Drage



from urban Labour facing areas. I also bring experience as a campaign organiser, agent and trainer. We need to make sure our organisation is fit to meet the challenges ahead. We need to make sure we help provide an open constructive culture that

Shamim Muhammad



looks for ways to make it easier for members to get involved.

I'm committed to my goals actives in Haringey since 2012 working with Liberal Democrat's supporting Community in Haringey campaigns, hoping to be a Councillor for 2026! Have been Supporting parliamentary and local elections, listening peoples concerns in the areas and supported many ways. Continuing to contributing growth, elections, campaigns, membership development, party support. Also have experience management committees or sub-committees to Attend meetings, be prepared, engage with other members, Shaping and reviewing policies insuring policy meetings reflects on decisions and delivering agreements input. Most important to Communicate decisions back to the team keep members informed and engaged with party work.

Sean Hooker



I have served on the Council, for over twenty years, including 10 years on the English Executive, first as Regional Chair, then directly elected, I am on London's Candidates Committee and am the chair of Barnet Borough. A former councillor, election agent, parliamentary and GLA candidate I have the experience at every level.

I trained as a conciliator for the party, am an active Returning Officer and have been appointed to sit on English Party discipline panels to investigate issues: so I know how to deal with difficult situations.

Re-elect a dedicated, hardworking and professional Liberal Democrat.

First preference please!

Sarah Lewis



Sarah was elected to the English Council in November last year and is seeking reelection. She served as chair of Lambeth Liberal Democrats from 2022 - 2024 and continues to sit on the local party executive. During her term as chair, Sarah helped Lambeth to form the Official Opposition Group on the borough Council after eight years without councillors. For GE24 she mobilised members to campaign in nearby target seats, while securing second against Labour in Clapham & Brixton Hill. Sarah has experience as a parliamentary candidate (Vauxhall, GE19); and also serves as chair of Liberal Democrats for Electoral Reform.

Sam Foulder-Hughes



As a former organiser, councillor and longstanding campaigner across London. I would like to sit on English Council to be a voice for London campaigners and ensure the party's governance across England allows us to capitalise on next year's local elections and

Ruth Dombey



I have been an active member of the Liberal Democrat party for over 25 years and an elected councillor in Sutton since 2002. I was Leader of the Council 2012-24. I have a long track record of running successful election campaigns and have taken part in campaigns and events in many London boroughs. I now have more time to dedicate to party matters, locally and nationally. I am keen to ensure that more members feel connected with the decision making processes in our party and have the opportunity to contribute to important issues.

Roger Giess



As a Member in several London local parties since the 1990s I have served as a ward councillor, executive councillor in administration, general election agent and lots of local party exec posts - and three times produced the party's London-wide Parliamentary boundary review submissions. In my day job I have worked supporting Lib Dem GLA members in London's fire authority. I artworked the leaflets for 2022 campaigns that gained London council seats from Labour. We need effective voices making the case for London in the party. Please give me your first preference.

Richard Moir



As a new member, joining because I believe in our values, in liberty, equality and community, I feel it is my civic duty to use my skills and experience to support the good work of the Party as a member of the London English Council.

I am a Chartered Construction Professional and have worked in Industry, and with Local and Central Government on nationally important projects. I would like to use the skills and experience I have gained throughout my career to support our work as Liberal Democrats and help ensure everyone can live in a safe and prosperous country.

Pete Dollimore



I am asking to be elected as one of London Region's 25 members of the English Council in order to speak up strongly for members in London's 32 boroughs. I believe that the English Party has begun moving in the right direction to help not just the big successful local parties but also those who currently have limited resources; especially those who have yet to elect their first councillors. I want the English Party to move further and faster to help make progress happen at all levels, including the startups. Please give me your 1st preference vote.

Olly Grender



One of my roles of a lifetime was for this Party as Director of Communications from July '21 to July '24. You'll occasionally catch me on air for the party - less since we elected so many brilliant new MPs - as it should be. I am also in the Lords but agree with every word of party policy about reforming it! How Communications, Campaigns and Parliament link to change stuff is my daily bread. A recent win was applying the Decent Homes Standard to MoD housing. Thanks for reading and thanks if I get your vote.

Nigel Scott



Nigel Scott for English Council

Experience – Honesty – Independence

Liberal since 1966 Proven campaigner within and outside the party

Founder member of Lynne Featherstone's original winning campaign team

Former local party chair and president. Haringey school governor since 1995. Former Haringey councillor and local environment spokesperson. Charity board member and adviser on STI related criminal cases. Writer on the psychopathology of unjust prosecutions and criminal law reform

I have experience and a solid and life-long understanding of liberal values and principles. Looking to the future, I will seek to ensure that these values continue to underpin our party.

Nicholas da Costa



I've been a councillor in Haringey since 2018 and an active London Liberal Democrat for over 20 years. I'm passionate about strengthening our party's democracy, ensuring that members and local parties across London have a clear voice at national level. As FCC Chair, I've worked to make Conference fair, professional and accessible; I want to bring that same inclusive, practical approach to English Council. I'll champion better communication between regional and federal structures, support local parties in developing policy, and help make our organisation more responsive, transparent and connected.

Nichola Martin



I'm an experienced political strategist and campaigner with over a decade of work supporting Liberal Democrat MPs, councillors, and activists across the UK. I'm passionate about empowering local teams and winning elections, combining strategic insight with a hands-on approach to campaigning, communications, and leadership. I value openness, clear communication, and doing things properly — and I'm not afraid to ask tough questions when something doesn't add up. My career has been dedicated to helping Liberal Democrats in power deliver for their communities, and my focus is always on strengthening grassroots campaigning and achieving meaningful results.

Mohsin Khan



Mohsin combines party-wide experience with frontline campaigning. He has been elected to Federal Policy Committee for six years, held leadership roles in LD Campaign for Race Equality, and has worked with many party bodies. He regularly campaigns on Richmond doorsteps. He has pushed nationally to improve targeting, training, candidate development and recruitment, and data use. Mohsin strongly believes in improving recruitment and campaigning to increase diversity, esp across ethnic, gender, age, and socioeconomic groups, and their complex intersections – so we win more boroughs and MPs. We must avoid complacency. We must be ambitious reaching voters abandoned by other parties.

Matt J. McLaren



In addition to my prior work as GLA Agent and regional officer overseeing local party governance, for c.20 years I've served on the party's English Council. Despite its (many!) flaws, I believe it ought to be the voice of local and regional parties to the powers-that-be.

I've made no secret of the fact I think the English Party could and should have been run much better recently. If re-elected, I will continue to press for significant improvements in internal governance and rules which make sense. In particular, I plan to bring forward improvements to the Model Constitution for Local Parties.

Mark Pack



I am a member in Islington, and previously Haringey. I have previously been a local party officer, campaign manager for the GLA elections, and served on the London Region Executive.

Until the end of the year I am President of the Liberal Democrats, which makes me well placed to understand feedback from members about what they want from different parts of the party.

I am standing for English Council to help make best use of such feedback and to help different parts of our party work together effectively. That way we can best support our members and win elections.

Mark Morris



I am a long-standing member of the Liberal Democrats, having joined the party as a student in 1988.

I was elected a Lewisham Councillor in 2002 and as group leader was proud to see it grow to a group of 17 councillors. I am now working hard to ensure we return to having Liberal Democrat councillors in my borough, as part of our continued growth and rebuilding across London.

My other experience within the party include being a General Election agent at three General Elections, including to Paul Burstsow in 2001, and being a member of my local party executive.

Margaret Joachim



Having been a Lib Dem activist in London for more than 40 years I know how important this region is! I'm a strong voice on your behalf at English Council. My work on the English Candidates Committee – training returning officers, advising on approval and selection and revising selection rules with greater provision for diversity – depends on EC membership. Please vote for me to continue to advocate for London and help the Party in England become a lean, mean, effective organisation, maximising support for all the regions while not taking London (and its huge financial and volunteer contributions) for granted.

Luke Taylor



A member for 17 years, have served on the executive in Wandsworth, Merton and Sutton Parties, a Councillor in Sutton, as the MP for Sutton and Cheam, and frontbench Spokesperson for London. I serve as the representative of the Parliamentary Party on the London Region Executive.

I have experience of the challenges of small local parties with no councillors and few members, through to large, successful parties in administration.

To continue to grow, our party must learn the right lessons from previous election tests, and not be afraid to welcome change to fight the election battles of the future.

Lorraine Zuleta



I would like to represent London Region on the LibDem English Council, bringing my experience as a long standing Party Member, former Southwark Councillor (2002-10) and Executive Member (2002-08), former London Region Executive Member and Chair of Local Parties Committee.

I have extensive governance experience as a Board Member locally, nationally and internationally with public, private and third sector organisations and understand the requirements and expectations of different stakeholders and the importance of legal and regulatory compliance. In 2023 I received a Community Southwark Star Award for Trustee of the Year. I would bring all this experience to the role.

Larry Ngan



Chair of the LD Friends of Hong Kong and a member of Federal International Relations Committee for nearly 3 years. These experiences support my standing in the policy working group - 'Defending and Strengthening British Democracy'. Also, my commitment to Hong Kongers affairs is driven to support party membership and policy. My European and Asia-Pacific connections had encouraged LGBT and minority support both locally and nationally. If elected, my focus will be ever increasing engagement for more membership, continue networks with European sister parties, inspire youth in politics, and promote diversity within our party

Keith Sharp



Islington exec member multiple times, most recently 2018-2023; on the Campaign team for the 2019 General Election and the 2022 local elections; and election agent for a Council by-election in 2021. I have been a parliamentary candidate and an elected councillor, both in Islington. I have also been a member of policy groups, including 'It's About Freedom' and on international trade and immigration. I joined the party (SDP) in 1981 and am currently: a Parliamentary Candidate Assessor (since 2021) and: Exec member, Liberal Democrats for Electoral Reform. I would aim to bring party knowledge and communications experience to the role

Keith Moffitt



I believe that I can continue to make a useful contribution as a London member of English Council. I have been a member of the London party for several decades. During that time I was a Camden councillor for 20 years, including 4 years as leader of the Council and 4 as leader of the opposition. I am the vice-chair of the Camden party and acted as agent for all our 54 candidates in the 2022 borough elections, and also in several by-elections, including the recent highly successful West Hampstead by-election.

Julia Cambridge



English Council perform a vital function within the Liberal Democrats.

As Lead member for Education and Children's Services for Richmond Council, a Councillor of seven years, a Vice Chair of Campaign for Gender Balance and Vice Chair of the largest local party in London I am well placed to contribute meaningfully to English Council.

I have experience in overseeing governance and transformational change. I have, in my Chair role, a position where scrutiny and oversight are key. All this, along with the voice of a London Councillor, will be brought onto this critical body.

Jon Ball



It's really useful to have a number of connections between the Federal Conference Committee and English Council as so much of the work of Federal Conference and English Council is interlinked. I'm the Vice-Chair of FCC and have been a member of that committee for 22 years. I'm also the sort of constitutional geek who is useful in discussions on the English constitution, membership rules and so on. Please give me your first preference!

Jeremy Hargreaves.



Over the last 20 years I've been active in Croydon as a deliverer, local party exec member, newsletter editor and Parliamentary Candidate, and then in Islington as part of the Lib Dem team running Islington Council. I was chair of the London Policy Committee and member of the regional exec. And I've spent several years as vice chair of Federal Policy Committee, playing a central part in writing the last six General Election manifestos. I have the experience at all levels to be an effective voice for London on English Council, and ask for your vote.

James Gurling



Electoral success and progress in London will be key factor in the Party's continued rise. Ensuring the English Council plays a full role in strengthening our regions generally by simplifying decision-making will be key in helping focus on delivering the sort of campaigns we need. A former Southwark Councillor of 12 years, I have served the Party as parliamentary Agent in Richmond, local Agent in Wandsworth, London Region and Federal Execs, Federal Conference Committee, conducted federal reviews of General Elections in 2010 & 2015 and Chaired the general elections in 2017 & 2019

Jack Coulson





I have been London Region Treasurer for 5 years, and a London representative to English Council for 3. I also now sit on the English Council Executive and EFAC.

This means I understand the relationship between the English Party and Regional parties (particularly in terms of finance), appreciate the frustrations in recent years and want to help make it function better for everyone. I would like to continue working on this.

I am a Chartered Accountant. From my professional life I have experience of reporting to governing bodies, sitting on executives

and making recommendations to improve and ensure good governance.

Gareth Roberts



Gareth Roberts has been a councillor in Richmond Upon Thames since 2010, becoming Leader of the Opposition in 2015 and Leader of the Council in 2018.

Gareth also sits on the London Assembly as the South West constituency representative; he was the first Lib Dem in the history of the Assembly to be elected as a constituency member. Gareth is a Lib Dem peer member at the Local Government Association and is Lib Dem Vice Chair of London Councils He was the successful agent for both Sarah Olney in 2016 and for Vince Cable in 2017

Fulya Ozen



I am a mother of three, from Türkiye, and an active community member. With a strong financial background and marketing expertise, I bring creativity and analytical thinking to tackling complex challenges.

I build strong connections across communities, understanding issues from mental health and housing to small businesses and immigration through my first-hand experience, events, and regular canvassing.

I have led initiatives supporting local women's businesses, the Ukraine Appeal, and Turkish & Syrian earthquake relief, raising £10k in a single day, recognized by Kensington Palace. I am also Community Ambassador at Richmond Borough, supporting outreach, engagement, guidance, advocacy, and collaboration.

Emily Davey



With 36 years of experience and dedication to the Liberal Democrats, I will bring valuable experience to the English Council. As a Councillor on Kingston Council since 2018, in addition to having run in four General Elections and served as an Agent, I understand both local government and constituency seat campaigning. I have held practically every role at local party level, giving me expertise in best practice, effective governance, and the practical challenges faced by our teams on the ground across the country. I believe my deep commitment and operational knowledge make me an ideal candidate to be a representative on the English Council.

Dawn Barnes



As an active London Lib Dem campaigner since 2007 and councillor since 2018 I understand London's challenges and want to represent those as a member of the English Council.

I've served on the Federal Executive, as was; am a current member of the London Region Executive, and have been a London PPC in three General Elections. I am a current London representative on the English Council and would like to continue to bring my party structure and procedure knowledge along with my campaign experience knowledge to the table.

David Barnsdale



I have been a member since 2019 (joined to oppose Brexit) and mainly

help the party by canvassing locally. As a liberal, I see myself as part of a tradition that has been by people like Karl Popper, Leonard

Hobhouse and John Stuart Mill and which originated with the Girondins

of the French Revolution. As such it is an Enlightenment project and

so free speech is central – indeed without it democracy is meaningless. I believe that, as we are a political party, our policies

must be evidence based if we are to avoid unintended consequences

Caroline Pidgeon



I am re-standing for English Council to continue my work ensuring the English party fully supports our regions and adds value to our work. As the Chair of the English Party over the last year, I have ensured a greater outreach programme, sharing good practice across regions and local parties in areas such as diversity, fundraising and membership recruitment and retention. It is important the English party works well with the regions and the Federal party and starts to modernise how it works, helping to fund initiatives to support our regions. Please give me your support to continue this work.

Brian Orrell



Chair of the English State Party (2006/09). Inaugural Chair of the English Candidates Committee (2001/2004).

For London, he was Regional Chair (1998/2001) and Candidates Chair for 17 years (1996-1998), (2001-2006) and (2011/2020). Also served as a Local Party Chair (2004/06) and (2010/12) and has acquired invaluable experience of the Party at Local, Regional and State level.

Regions should be the engines for electoral success on the ground. We have a vital role in reducing the growing number of derelict seats with a programme of membership recruitment, fundraising and campaigning.

Ashley Lumsden



I seek nomination to stand again for English Council. As a Lib Dem Member in London across four decades I have served as a ward councillor, group leader, election agent, and special adviser to Vince Cable during the coalition government. As a member of English Council. I want to make sure that the party listens to the needs of the London party. We must have policies, campaigns and resources to fight Labour. And we must update our processes to work with our fantastic new parliamentary party of 72 MPs. Please give me your first preference vote.

Anthony Fairclough



I joined the Liberal Democrats in 2000. My professional and party background shows wide experience in thoughtful and measured decision making. I have been an election agent for all types of election, including for a target parliamentary constituency in 2019. I was a trained party returning officer, and managed multiple selections including for the 2016 London elections.

Professionally I have held senior management, legal advice/research and compliance roles. I retrained as a solicitor in my 40s and now represent professional regulators in Fitness to Practise cases.

I am leader of the largest ever Lib Dem group on Merton Council.

Anood Al-Samerai



I served as a local councillor for 14 years, as Liberal Democrat Council Group Leader for 10 years, and in various local party roles including Treasurer. In 2020-21, I ran our London elections campaign, involving hundreds of members, volunteers, and donors, and doubling our representation on the London Assembly. I have a thorough understanding of our democratic processes, and the support regions and local parties need to win elections and serve their communities. I also bring relevant experience from membership organisations outside the party, including my current role as the Chief Executive of a charity, representing over 1,000 member organisations.

Ann Glaze



As chair of London region from 2021-2024 I served on the English Council Executive. This year I have continued representing London to the English Party as a member of English Council, and am now seeking re-election to English Council for 2026. I will continue to work to influence how the English Party spends its money and ensure the varied challenges and opportunities we have in London are understood at the national level.

Alice Bridges-Westcott



During my thirteen year career in the Lib Dems I have been a volunteer, an intern, an organiser, a campaign manager, and an agent. I have won elections at every level.

I've delivered wins that have seen Lib Dems take control of councils and win more MPs across the country. I have run some of our largest scale election campaigns.

But I've also lost elections - and want to use the lessons from both the wins and losses to help push forward the party's campaigns at every level, to grasp the opportunity in front of us over these next few years.