

19th Annual Report



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KEY STATS

83

HOUSE OF COMMONS DEBATES SPOKEN IN

87

ADVICE SURGERIES FOR CONSTITUENTS

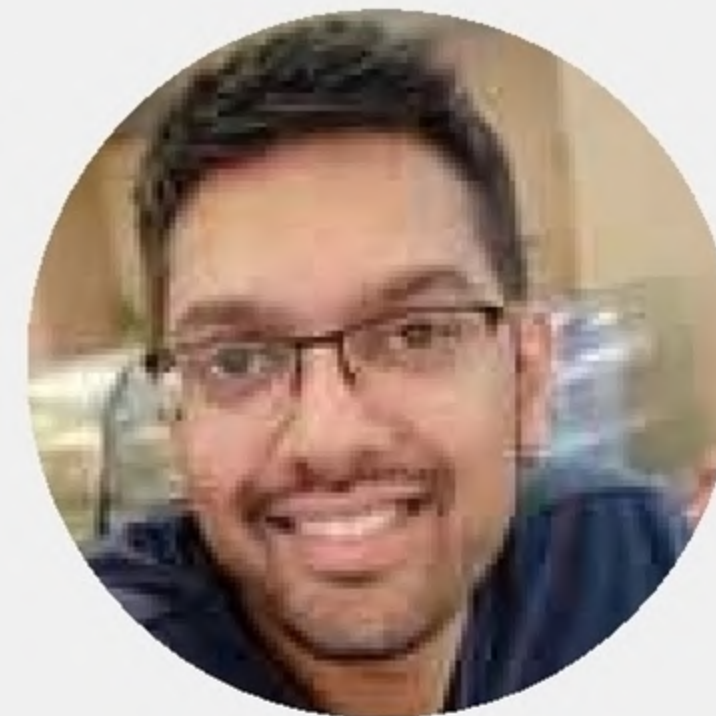
9,000+

PIECES OF CASEWORK DEALT WITH



"Ed Davey's commitment and support for us has been nothing short of exceptional, and we have so much to thank him for."

- John & Lucy, Surbiton



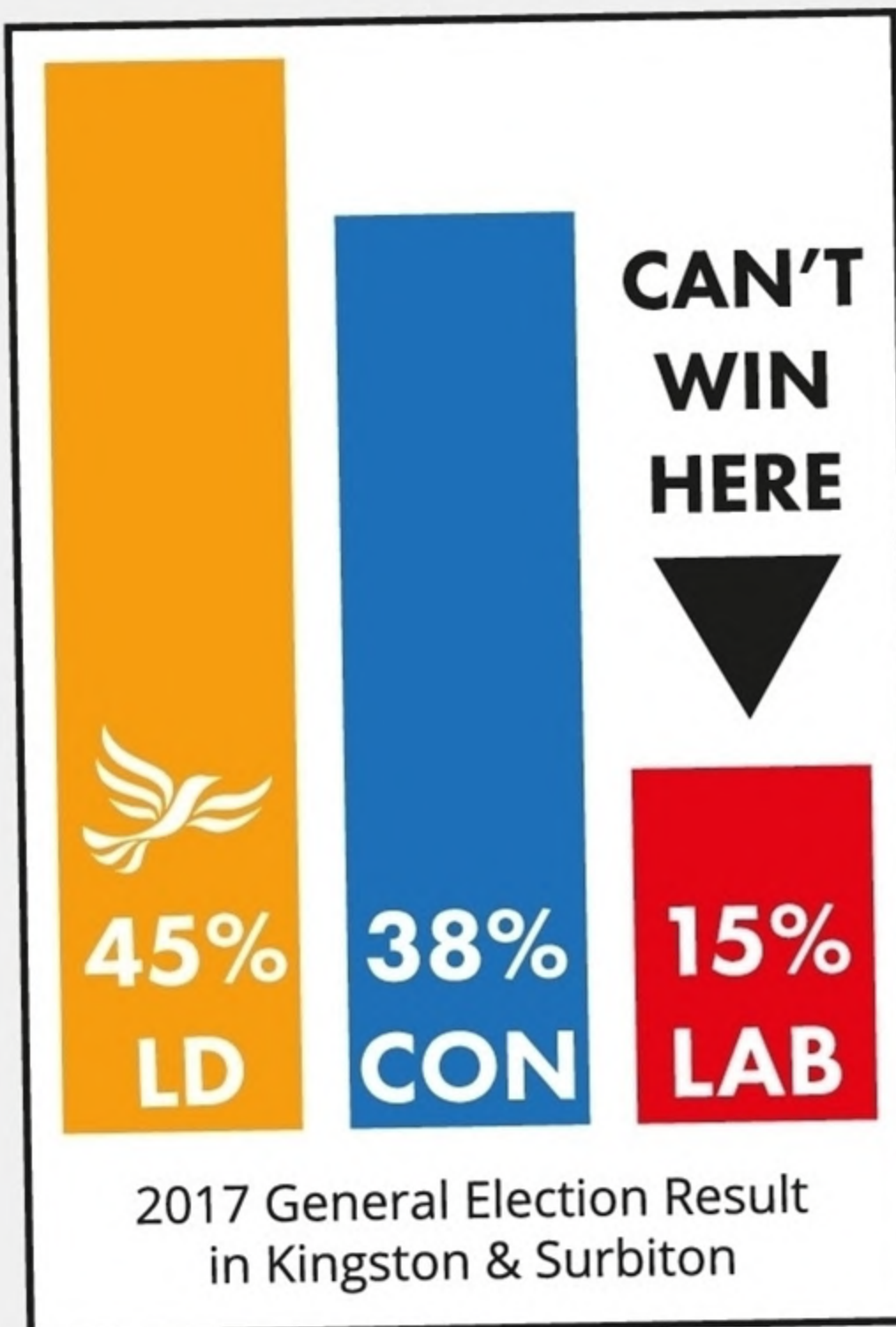
"I will be forever grateful to Sir Ed Davey for helping me through a tricky situation which I thought would not be possible."

- Bhavesh, Kingston



"Ed Davey's support around my child's special needs issues has been fantastic and we cannot thank him enough for his work."

- Sarah, Chessington



Education

My education campaign had a major success, when we won funds for a new special school for Kingston, after intense lobbying by the new Lib Dem Council and myself. More special needs children will be educated in-Borough, saving long journeys and reducing severe budget problems left by the last Conservative Council.

A key campaign now is to win investment for a new secondary school – though Conservative Ministers have restricted the Council's funding options to either the Government's failing Free Schools programme or a faith-based school. I was delighted to open the new teaching block at Tolworth Girls (see left and inside).

Environment

Climate change remains a major campaign priority for me – after my time as Secretary of State for Energy and Climate Change when I nearly quadrupled Britain's renewable power. Climbing up to the top of a wind turbine – picture left – takes some energy!

Last year, I spoke out in Parliament against the Conservatives' ban on onshore wind power. I also led criticism of their failure to proceed with the plans I had developed in Government for new tidal lagoons, to harness Britain's world-beating tidal energies.

Police

While my campaign for more police funding may at last be seeing success, I remain concerned about crime locally and across London.

Conservative police cuts have contributed to a rise in violent crime nationally and locally there's been a worrying rise in burglaries, violent crime and anti-social behaviour.

Ministers don't understand they must improve police pay to get the extra officers we need. The Met Police, including Kingston, have had problems filling vacancies – so promises of more police aren't credible unless there's a better deal for existing officers and recruits.

Housing

Housing remains the most frequent issue local people bring to me in my advice surgeries. As in many Boroughs, Kingston has an acute need for more affordable housing and more social homes.

So I'm backing the Council's plan to invest in Kingston's Cambridge Road Estate (see left). The plans provide brand new homes for existing residents and build over 1,000 new homes, including at least an extra 100 council-owned homes.

These exciting plans will be put to residents on the estate in a ballot later this year, so they can have the final say.

ED DAVEY MP: WORKING FOR YOU ALL YEAR ROUND



Police: **Siobhan Benita** is the Lib Dem candidate for London Mayor and is campaigning with me for more police for Kingston.
Siobhan is a New Malden resident and joined me last year at the Surbiton Festival (see above).



New disabled access for Chessington South Station: Chessington councillor **Tricia Bamford** and I have campaigned for disabled access to Chessington South train station for over a decade – so we were delighted to open the new access this year.



New teaching block at Tolworth Girls School: I was proud last November to open TGS' new building – with its science suite, theatre, catering area & sixth form facility.
The students above were helping me remember some physics!



Environment: campaigning for action on climate change is key to my national work. Above, I visited the turbine blade factory in **Kingston-upon-Hull** – as Secretary of State for Energy, my decision to invest in offshore wind led to the factory being built, creating 1,000 green jobs.



Chessington Business Expo: it was great to attend the first ever expo to celebrate business in the South of the Borough, organised by Kingston's Chamber of Commerce.
The second expo is on 6th November at Chessington School – book your ticket!



Wildlife: I joined a cross-party campaign to ban trophy hunting – to stop hunters killing endangered species and importing their “trophies” back to the UK.
I also got to meet Bill Oddie – “the Goodie” – (see above)!



Brexit: Liberal Democrats are the strongest remain party, campaigning to stop Brexit.
As democrats, we believe people have the right to change their minds and so want to give the British people the final say on whether Brexit goes ahead.



School cash victory: winning investment funding for a new special school for Kingston was a highlight.
The lobbying visit I made to the Department of Education with Lib Dem Councillors **Diane White** and **Alison Holt** was crucial in making our case.



Health: the evidence of links between pollution and bad health just gets even stronger – especially with issues like air pollution. So as well as campaigning for clean air, I'm looking at other health benefits from taking the environment more seriously.



Senior citizens and leaseholds: a number of people living in retirement apartments have had problems with managing agents and/or freeholders. As vice-chair of a cross-party group of MPs on leasehold reform, I've given advice and support.



Media: with British politics in crisis, I've not only been busy at Westminster, but also the media have been keen to understand events. I'm worried about both Mr Johnson's Brexit and Mr Corbyn's policies: they both threaten the break-up of our United Kingdom.



Trains: after a disastrous 2018, local train services still aren't reliable enough. Having set up a new cross-party group of MPs to hold SWR and Network Rail to account, I wrote a report calling for major change – published on my website at: www.eddavey.org/passengers-first.