

Your Team: Jean Branch, Chris Maines and Peter Ramrayka

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Residents across Lewisham say their estates are blighted by litter and illegal rubbish dumping...

**And Labour-run Lewisham Council does nothing about it.**

Four years ago, getting to grips with fly-tipping was a key election promise by Labour, but official figures show Lewisham now has the third worst record in the country.

The local Liberal Democrat team, **Jean Branch, Chris Maines** and **Peter Ramrayka** are calling for urgent action.

We all deserve a clear, practical plan - not just empty promises.



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# WHAT A MESS!

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## LABOUR Failing Lewisham since 1971

This May marks 55 years since anyone but Labour held power in Lewisham borough. **It's time for a change.**

Labour has run the Town Hall with no interruption since 1971 and the powerful Mayor of Lewisham has been Labour since the office was created in 2002.

There's nobody else to blame for the neglect, waste and poor service local residents put up with.

**We say Enough is Enough!**



**CHAOS**  
Three Mayors in Three Years

**DELAY**  
Still no Lewisham Library

**NEGLECT**  
Rubbish on our Street Corners

**WASTE**  
Careless with OUR money

**STARMER**  
What does he even stand for?

## OFFICIAL: IT'S A TWO-HORSE RACE

Only Lib Dems can beat Keir Starmer's Labour Party in our area

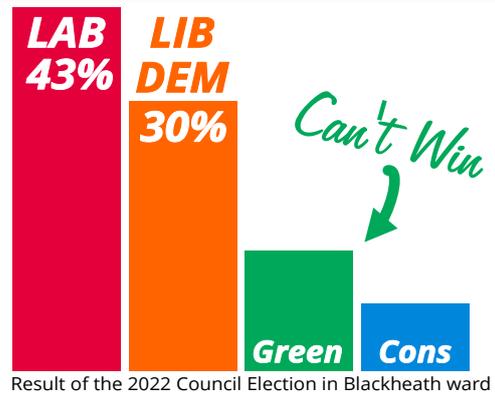
People all over the country are deciding who to vote for in local elections on May the 7th.

Fortunately, here in Blackheath there is a clear choice.

Last time round, although Labour won, the local Liberal Democrat

team were the clear challengers with twice as many votes as the Green Party and way ahead of the fourth-placed Tories.

For change in Blackheath ward, vote for Jean Branch, Chris Maines and Peter Ramrayka.



# LIB DEM ACTION ON HOUSING

Decent Homes • Faster Repairs • Get Tough with Developers



Lewisham Council has been dreadful at delivering housing services.

"They are way behind in delivering their own modernisation programme, repairs are slow and they are hopeless at dealing with complaints," says Blackheath campaigner, **Peter Ramrayka**.

"People are living with mould, water leaks and substandard kitchens and bathrooms - and Labour just can't be bothered."

**The Liberal Democrats have proposed a list of key actions to improve housing in Lewisham:**

1. a timetable to deliver the long-overdue home improvements.
2. Get a grip on slow and unreliable repair services, tackle fly tipping and improve recycling on estates.
3. Hold private developers to account and force them to deliver more family homes.

## AND IT'S NOT MUCH BETTER FOR LEASEHOLDERS.

There is real misery for many leaseholders on Lewisham estates too - some face sky-high mystery bills and suspicious gagging orders.

The bills, described as "confusing" and "needlessly complex," have left homeowners baffled and angry. They say the Council has never properly explained where the money is going.

Not only that, but four leaseholders who discovered they had been grossly overcharged say the Council only agreed to reimburse them after they sign Non-Disclosure Agreements (NDAs).



"Mistakes can happen," says campaigner **Chris Maines**, "but Labour bosses need to be accountable - and gagging the victims of their errors is the opposite of that."

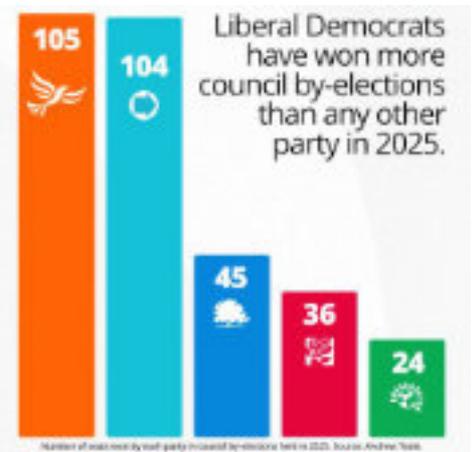
And when the time comes to move on, leaseholders say it can take months to get the paperwork allowing them to sell.

"It's a shambles," says **Chris**.

## WHO'S BEATING FARAGE'S REFORM?

As Labour adopts right-wing talking points to desperately try and compete with Reform UK, Lib Dems are presenting a genuine alternative.

With a progressive, community-based agenda, we actually won more by-election seats than Reform last year - **and we're not done yet!**



Everything we do across the community is supported by local residents and volunteers **just like you**. To get involved or for help with a local issue, email: [BlackheathLD@gmail.com](mailto:BlackheathLD@gmail.com)

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