



What Kind of Councillor Do We Want?



On 6th May there will be an election to choose the County Councillor for West Malling, East Malling and Larkfield.

This is a LOCAL Election. It cannot change the Government.

Around here, it's always a straight vote between the Liberal Democrats and the Conservatives.

It's about choosing the best local person who has shown they work hard on issues, and help to make Malling a better place to live for everyone.

Trudy Dean



Trudy with local Lib Dem Councillors - Tim, Anita, David, Roger, Michelle & Nick

Someone who works with local people



Litter picking groups; Trudy has been a litter picker, cake baker or tea lady!



Trudy and David Thornevell briefed the Parish Councils' legal team in the successful Swan Street Abbey Appeal in 2019. They attended site meetings and the hearing throughout, organising community witnesses and fact checking reports. We made the national press!



Trudy has given grants to the East Malling Community Centre for repairs and refurb.



Our Councillors all run monthly surgeries and Trudy organised a new cafe venue with help from the community champion at Tesco, Leybourne Way, for David & herself. Thanks Tesco!



Trudy started Malling Community Choir with Jane Anderson and Jeffrey Vaughan Martin. She remains a singer with the now 100 strong choir who have performed in The Albert Hall, and on tour in France.



Local Lib Dems, along with residents and Parish Councils, worked hard against the Wates application for 250 homes on Forty Acres.

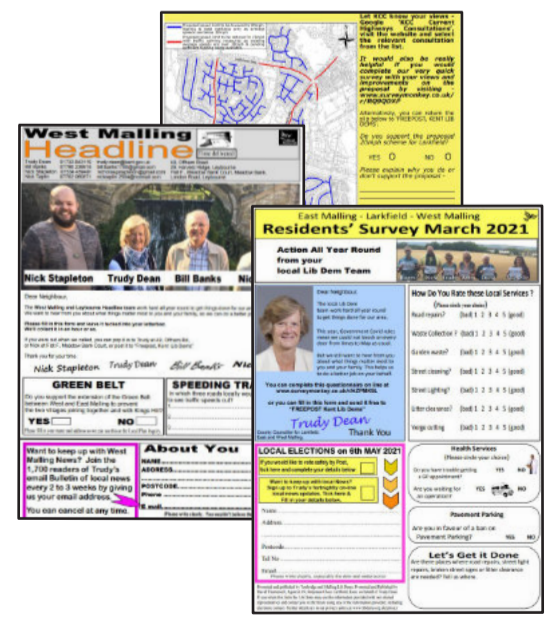
Someone who keeps us informed

Someone who asks our views

Someone who helps sort things out



- ★ Regular newsletters
- ★ Door to door surveys
- ★ 80 bulletin email updates
- ★ Residents' monthly surgeries, currently online
- ★ Public meetings
- ★ Active social media pages



LIBERAL DEMOCRATS - ACTION WHERE YOU LIVE

"These are the issues I will fight for"

Trudy Dean



Environment

Extending the Green Belt to protect all green fields between East and West Malling, Larkfield, and Kings Hill.

A more effective litter collection service.

Working to extend the Quiet Lanes network to include The Rocks Rd, Sweets Lane, Easterfields and Water Lane.

Building Leybourne Lakes Country Park cafe, visitor centre and function room.

Maintain Clare Lake and Cottenham Orchard for public access.

Number 58 bus route continued giving access to Maidstone Hospital.

Planning

Make getting a 5 year landbank and approved Local Plan a top priority to stop the house builders feeding frenzy.

Extending West Malling Conservation Area to include the fields between the Abbey and the bypass.

Replace the main access to West Malling Station from Broadwater Farm development, with an access via Kings Hill.

Oppose closing Pikey Lane.

Streaming of all Borough meetings live, so that members of the public can watch.

Safer Streets

Establishing a 20mph limit to include most residential roads in Larkfield, East Malling, and West Malling.

Campaign for a change in the law so local councils can ban pavement parking except where there is space for pedestrians, children's buggies, wheelchairs and mobility scooters.

Continued support for Speedwatch.

More detailed action points for Larkfield, East Malling and West Malling can be found on our website at www.tonbridgeandmallingslibdems.org.uk

How my KCC Councillor funds were spent

Supporting Community Groups - supporting volunteers

	£
Malling Community Choir for larger premises for socially distanced singing	2,000
Larkfield Community Group room hire and Notice Boards for Brookfield and Lunsford Primary Schools	798
Larkfield Football Club female toilets	2,500
Leybourne Park Residents Ass. for Christmas Tree, spring bulbs and football goal	2,769
East Malling Community Centre Roof repairs, internal and external decoration	3,725
West Malling Pilsdon Community windows	1,000
Macey's Meadow volunteers for storage containers	1,190
Music @ Malling Festival	1,000

Giving A Helping Hand

Heart of Kent Hospice bedroom equipment & Children's Bereavement Counselling	3,682
St Mary's Church family support & Malling Action Partnership recruiting Volunteers	1,650



West Malling Farmers' Market for Covid signs and barriers to enable the market to reopen £1,890



East Malling Community Centre roof repairs, internal & external decoration £3,725

West Malling Farmers Market for barriers and signs for Market to reopen	1,890
Safer Streets	
West Malling Speedwatch equipment and Larkfield 20mph consultation	3,600
Highways trees, Ecological Study and verge protecting bollards	1,869
Children's Activities	
Larkfield First, Blacklands and Holy Trinity Scout Group for scout hut heating, a marquee and Great Nights Out respectively	7,000
Malling Junior Park Run for a defibrillator	588
Y2crew children's holiday activities	500

Kent Police & Crime Commissioner Elections

6th May will also be the election for Kent's Police and Crime Commissioner. Liberal Democrats have selected Graham Colley.

Graham is the President of Liberal Democrat Lawyers, studied Law at Aberystwyth and European Law at the College of Europe. Graham worked in the City, and has been a Legal Aid lawyer in Lambeth, Westminster and Chatham.

Graham now lives in Rochester, and has stood three times as a Parliamentary candidate. He is also a former Kent County Councillor and co-chair of the Kent Fire & Public Protection committee.

For more info on Graham and his campaign, visit www.grahamcolley.org

West Malling's Polling Station has changed

The Polling Station for West Malling is now the Baptist Church at 61 Swan Street. **Please note that there is no on-site parking.**

On your doorstep, on your side

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Can you help Trudy by displaying a poster or garden board?

Are you getting Trudy's online news Bulletin?

Email Trudy at dean.j6@sky.com

You will be able to vote in person at a Polling Station - and measures will be put in place to ensure this can be done safely.

If you prefer, you can apply for a Postal Vote. This may be a more popular choice for many this year, given the current circumstances.

To apply visit www.gov.uk/how-to-vote#postal-voting download and complete the Postal Vote Application Form and post it to 'Electoral Services, Tonbridge and Malling Borough Council, Gibson Building, Gibson Drive, Kings Hill, ME19 4LZ. Alternatively, scan your form and return it to voting@tmhc.gov.uk