

**Job Title: Constituency Campaign Organiser**

**Location: Hazel Grove Constituency, based at the constituency office in Romiley, South Manchester, £19,000 - £21,000 (depending on experience/ability)**

An exciting opportunity has arisen to work in the parliamentary target seat of Hazel Grove, as part of the Liberal Democrat constituency party's active campaign team.

Hazel Grove constituency is in Greater Manchester and is one of the most winnable parliamentary seats for the Liberal Democrats in the country. At the 2019 General Election the Lib Dem vote increased by 6% - cutting the Conservative majority to just 4,500. We are in a strong position to win the seat at the next election.

The constituency has a strong record of Liberal Democrat success – having had a Lib Dem MP from 1997 to 2015. The Lib Dems currently hold 17 of the 18 council seats in the constituency on Stockport Council and are now the largest group.

We have one of the strongest local teams in the country and a Constituency office with 3 members of staff, in addition to a large group of experienced councillors, a hardworking volunteer base and an active local membership.

With both Manchester City centre on the doorstep and good transport links with the rest of the North West, the role is both challenging and rewarding, offering the opportunity to gain experience and training in a top target seat with experienced campaigners.

Hazel Grove Constituency Liberal Democrats have sitting Lib Dem Councillors and a strong Lib Dem presence linked to a good track record of election success. There are elections every year for Stockport Council and the constituency is also part of the Greater Manchester Combined Authority. Local elections are scheduled for 2022, with all up elections in 2023, when all 18 Council seats in Hazel Grove Constituency will be on the ballot papers, offering an excellent opportunity to gain significant campaigning experience.

Working with the office team and a well-developed volunteer network, you will assist in engaging with and expanding the volunteer base post-pandemic, creating high quality literature, canvassing, assisting, developing campaign plans (including enhancing digital media), and management of Connect. You will be a key part of the team running a busy office in the centre of the constituency.

The successful applicant will have lots of enthusiasm, good interpersonal and organisational skills, and a willingness to develop. Working closely with volunteers, councillors and candidates, key to the role is the ability to build relationships, along with training and motivating volunteers. An understanding of political campaigning, messaging and artworking is desirable.

We are looking to make a permanent appointment commencing as soon as possible. There will be a six month probationary period, after which the position will become permanent, with a pay review after the 2022 local elections followed by further pay reviews annually.

You are advised to read the full Job and Person Specification before applying for this post. Appointment will be subject to references. Some evening and weekend work will be required with time off in lieu.

**For the job description, application details and any queries, please contact Gemma Bowker, Campaign and Office Manager, on:-**

**Tel: 0161 406 7070**

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**Closing date: Friday 1st October 5pm with interviews scheduled for Thursday 7th October via Zoom**

#### **APPLICATION PROCEDURE:**

Please apply by email attaching: -

- A full CV (no more than two pages and including contact telephone numbers and email address);

- A covering letter (no more than one A4 page) setting out why you want to do this job and how your experience and skills are relevant to it; and
- A diversity monitoring form will be sent out to all applicants.

Please let us have details of your current salary and two referees including one from your current employer - if you would prefer us not to contact them until a later stage of the selection process, please specifically let us know.

We will notify all applicants when the process is complete.

**The Liberal Democrats are equal opportunity employers and particularly welcome applications from groups who are currently under-represented in our staff.**