

Aisha Mir

Scottish Executive



I was raised and schooled in Edinburgh, and attended University in Paisley after which I worked for over a decade in financial services. I left work to care for my mother through a number of serious illnesses while simultaneously running my own business.

I joined the Liberal Democrats just prior to the 2014 Referendum having previously had no political knowledge or interest and it was the best thing I ever did! I found a warm, welcoming, supportive group of like minded individuals with whom I felt I could make a difference.

Since then, I have stood in the last 3 General Elections in seats across the UK, been active in my Local Party becoming a member of the exec and campaigned extensively in all other elections/ referendums across the UK.

Most recently, I was a speaker at the Women & Girls in Politics event run by Barbara Gibson.

I am proud to be a member of a party that isn't afraid to take risks – we haven't always got it right and those risks haven't always worked out -I know but, we dare to dream and we dare to try and make those dreams a reality.



Flora Sharp

A fresh voice on the Scottish Executive



Why I want to serve on the Scottish Executive

I want to help shape the future of the Scottish Party. It is more important than ever that Liberal Democrat voices are heard as Councillors and as Members of Parliament at Holyrood and at Westminster.

What is my involvement with the Party so far?

I joined the Party 5 years ago and I have served as an Ordinary Member of Edinburgh West Executive, followed by 2 years as Membership Development Officer and currently I am serving as Vice Convener.

Why me?

I believe in fairness. I believe in equality of opportunity. I believe in creating a decent and fair society. As a member of the ruling body of the Scottish Party, I will be better placed to work towards creating those opportunities.

Please vote for me.

Flora

About me

- Raised in Perthshire
- Educated at Morrison's Academy and studied French at St Andrews University
- Worked for Ford Motor Company in Sales and Marketing
- Ran French Nursery and After-School clubs after taking early retirement
- Experience at Board Level including Chairmanship
- I work as a volunteer at Maggie's Centre at the West General Hospital Edinburgh
- Gaelic learner – the language of my maternal grandparents

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KRIS CHAPMAN

For Scottish Executive

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Scottish Borders Councillor Youth Worker

Volunteer Member Deliverer Activist

Former President of Liberal Youth Scotland

MY EXPERIENCE

Scottish Parliamentary Candidate

Previous HQ Campaign Manager

Former Local Party Chair

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WHY KRIS?

Experienced

Across all levels of the party and beyond.

Approachable

Supporting our local parties and members to ensure voices are heard and best practice is shared.

New Thinking

Building on experiences from within and outwith the party.



Mark Simons: Executive Committee Nominee



Statement of Intent

- ~ To facilitate the workings of the Committee to the best of my ability.
- ~ To work to secure a productive amalgam between the economic and social aspects of the Party and manage the natural tension between the principles of Liberty and Equality.
- ~ To ensure a productive balance between these principles and the pragmatism necessary to deal with the vagaries of the political arena, whilst never losing sight of the Party's core values.
- ~ To secure the continuity of these considerations at the macro, meso and micro levels of the Party's political activity.
- ~ Finally, to let these considerations guide and inform my own conduct and participation on the Committee.

Background

~ I've been a member of the Party for two years. At present I'm the Membership Secretary for Glasgow City Liberal Democrats and its Policy Committee Convener, as well as an ordinary member of Greater Glasgow Liberal Democrats.

~ I am in the process of completing a Degree in Politics and Philosophy at The University of Glasgow.

~ Prior to this I was a small business owner in the construction and maintenance industry.

Personal Statement

I may not have accrued the same level of experience in the Party as some of the other nominees, however I hope to bring fresh eyes to old problems.

If asked what the role of the Executive Committee is, I would obviously say that it is to run the day to day workings of the Party and guide its course. But I would also say that it has the job of securing the integrity of the Party.

What I mean by this is that it is not enough to espouse principles of freedom and fairness if they go no further than the preamble of the constitution. Trust is a vital and all too often absent part of politics. I see it as an essential job of the Committee to ensure that the Party lives up to the principles at its core. It is not enough to talk the talk, trust only comes when we walk the walk.

If you have any questions concerning my nomination to the Executive Committee please feel free to contact me at 07793279790 or alternatively email me at: msms@sky.com

Manifesto for Mike Ash (Edinburgh East)

I am interested in helping the party by serving on the Executive Committee.

Before retiring and coming to live in Edinburgh I was very active in the English Party. Over a 10 year period I have been leader of LD group on Cumbria CC and deputy leader of Council, chair of Penrith & Border, LD leader on NW regional assembly, PPC [Tatton 2001] and member of English LD Executive Committee.

Since 2006 I have had politically restricted roles on various Boards in Scotland but I am now finishing my final term and I am free to get directly involved again on behalf of the Lib Dems.

I enjoyed helping Jill Reilly, Edin East at the last election and I believe my experience could contribute in any of the roles advertised.

Mike Ash, 27th Feb 2020

Steve Arrundale



For Scottish Executive



Who I Am:

- Midlothian PPC in the 2019 General Election.
- Company Director.
- Degrees in Computing, Banking and an MBA with specialisms in Accountancy, Economics and Strategy.
- Experienced Head of Department with Budget Responsibility on Programmes up to £1.2bn.
- Experienced in working with Lib Dem MPs and Peers to develop policy on Business and Individual Taxation.

If elected, I will...

- Promote the interests of Members in all areas of Scotland, particularly those in constituencies currently without Parliamentary or Council representation.
- Encourage tight budget control and planning, drawing on decades of Budget Management experience within Financial Services.
- Bring a new perspective and a new voice to the Exec, albeit one with a significant amount of experience in Senior Management roles in market-leading Private Sector Companies.



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Stephen Harte – candidate for Scottish Liberal Democrat Executive



About Me

- I joined Glasgow University Liberal Club on starting University in October 1986, going on to campaign in Roy Jenkin's final election campaign in Glasgow Hillhead.
- I went on to join Livingston Constituency Liberal Association after the 1987 General Election, becoming a member of the Scottish Liberal Democrats on merger and have been a party member ever since.
- I'm currently a member of:
 - Edinburgh North, East & Leith Liberal Democrats;
 - LGBT+ Lib Dems.
- I work as a lawyer in the oil industry, living in Edinburgh with my partner and cat and working in Aberdeen, campaigning in both cities.

Why am I offering myself for consideration for the Scottish Executive?

We have a wide range of talent within our Party and many good people have been offering their service for years. I'd like to follow their example. I have no desire for elected public office so this is a way I can help promote our values.

The Scottish Executive is an important if unglamorous job. It's about making sure our Party as an institution is fit for purpose and is able to support the campaigning energies of our members across Scotland. If elected:

- I'd bring a lawyer's analytical eye to the decisions I take;
- I'd make sure that we demonstrated to the world what liberalism looks like in all that we do – whether in organising and supporting staff or prioritising spending or promoting equality and diversity or anything else.

You've many excellent candidates to choose from. Thank you for reading my manifesto and I hope you will consider giving me one of your preferences – maybe your first preference?

If you have any questions please feel free to email me on sjharte@gmail.com.

Stephen Harte