**VOTE FOR INDEPENDENT GREEN VOICES**

**RESIDENTS IN THIS AREA HAVE THE POWER TO MAKE A CHANGE**

You have a chance to elect an independent voice on to Southwark Council on Thursday 3 May at the local elections. Southwark Council suffers from a lack of opposition. Labour Party councillors have pushed through the demolition of hundreds of council homes on the Heygate and Aylesbury estates, selling the land to private developers. The Green Party opposes the sale of public property for private gain. We will protect council homes and invest in building genuinely affordable homes.

At the moment, there are no Greens on Southwark Council. Next door, Lambeth and Lewisham have Green councillors – so why not us?

Residents get a better deal when councils include different voices. The Electoral Reform Society has shown that people living in areas ruled by ‘one-party councils’ miss out on savings of around £2.6 billion a year!

In this area, the Green Party is the real alternative – we came 2nd here in 2014. You have the power to elect Green councillors to serve the whole of Southwark.

[www.southwarkgreenparty.org.uk/abetterdeal](http://www.southwarkgreenparty.org.uk/abetterdeal)

**WHO WORKS HARDER FOR YOU? YOU DECIDE**

**GREENS TAKING DIRECT ACTION TO IMPROVE OUR AREA**

Some of the work Green activists have done locally:
- put up air pollution monitors near schools in Peckham, Camberwell and Dulwich
- petitioned the Mayor for cleaner buses through our area
- run a free Travel Clinic at Brunswick Park summer fête
- reported flytipping, water leaks, abandoned bikes and damaged trees
- planted a pollution screen round a school playground
- asked the Mayor to challenge the council’s plans to demolish Peckham Arch – we want it to stay.

**ELECT ELEANOR**

“I’ve lived in this area for more than 15 years. I have a proven record of getting things done, from raising £50,000 to create a community garden to running a citizen science project on air pollution.

As your councillor, I will work for a healthy environment for us all by cutting air pollution and putting safety first on our streets. I will work for easy, effective recycling that doesn’t clutter pavements. I will support more investment in youth services and better communication with residents. With an eye for detail, I will hold Southwark to account.”

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**SOUTHWARK’S CONSULTATION SHAM**

**WHY DO COUNCILLORS IGNORE RESIDENTS’ VIEWS?**

Last year, Southwark Council ran a consultation on its proposed ‘Southwark Spine’ cycle route. Local people and road safety experts said the designs would make cycling more dangerous, especially around Bellenden Road. In fact, 63% of people who replied opposed it. But just before the election was called, one of the Labour councillors for this area, Ian Wingfield, signed off the scheme. Eleanor says, “This makes a mockery of the idea of consultation. The Southwark Spine was meant to make cycling safe for all ages, from 8–80. Hundreds of people took the time to write in with their concerns. I can’t believe Cllr Wingfield has ignored us all. I will listen to residents and fight for a better scheme that reduces motor traffic and is safer for everyone.”

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**HELPLINE NO HELP**

**LEFT OUT IN THE COLD BY SOUTHWARK**

Homes on the D’Eynsford Estate in Camberwell were left without any heating for days in freezing weather earlier this year.

What really upset residents was that no one answered the emergency helpline. One resident reported that 63% of people who replied opposed it. But just before the election was called, one of the Labour councillors for this area, Ian Wingfield, signed off the scheme. Eleanor says, “This makes a mockery of the idea of consultation. The Southwark Spine was meant to make cycling safe for all ages, from 8–80. Hundreds of people took the time to write in with their concerns. I can’t believe Cllr Wingfield has ignored us all. I will listen to residents and fight for a better scheme that reduces motor traffic and is safer for everyone.”

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**Greens can win here. In the 2014 local elections, the Green Party took second place in this ward.**

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**USEFUL LINKS**

- Protect yourself from air pollution – advice for parents, commuters and older people: breathe.london.org
- We oppose plans for tall towers and overdevelopment around Burgess Park: southwarkgreenparty.org.uk/camberwell_union
- If you’d like to help, drop us a line contact@southwark.greenparty.org.uk
- Join us! join.greenparty.org.uk

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