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**Welcome to the Liberal Democrat 2023 Conference Directory.**

If you have any questions whilst at conference please ask a conference steward or go to the Information Desk in the main foyer of Bournemouth International Centre (BIC).

**Conference Venue**

Bournemouth International, Centre (BIC), Exeter Road, Bournemouth, BH2 5BH

**Conference hotel**

Bournemouth Highcliff Marriott, St Michael's Road, Bournemouth, BH2 5DU

Further information, registration and conference publications (including plain text and clear print versions) are available at: [www.libdems.org.uk/conference](http://www.libdems.org.uk/conference)

For information about the main auditorium sessions, see the separate Conference Agenda.

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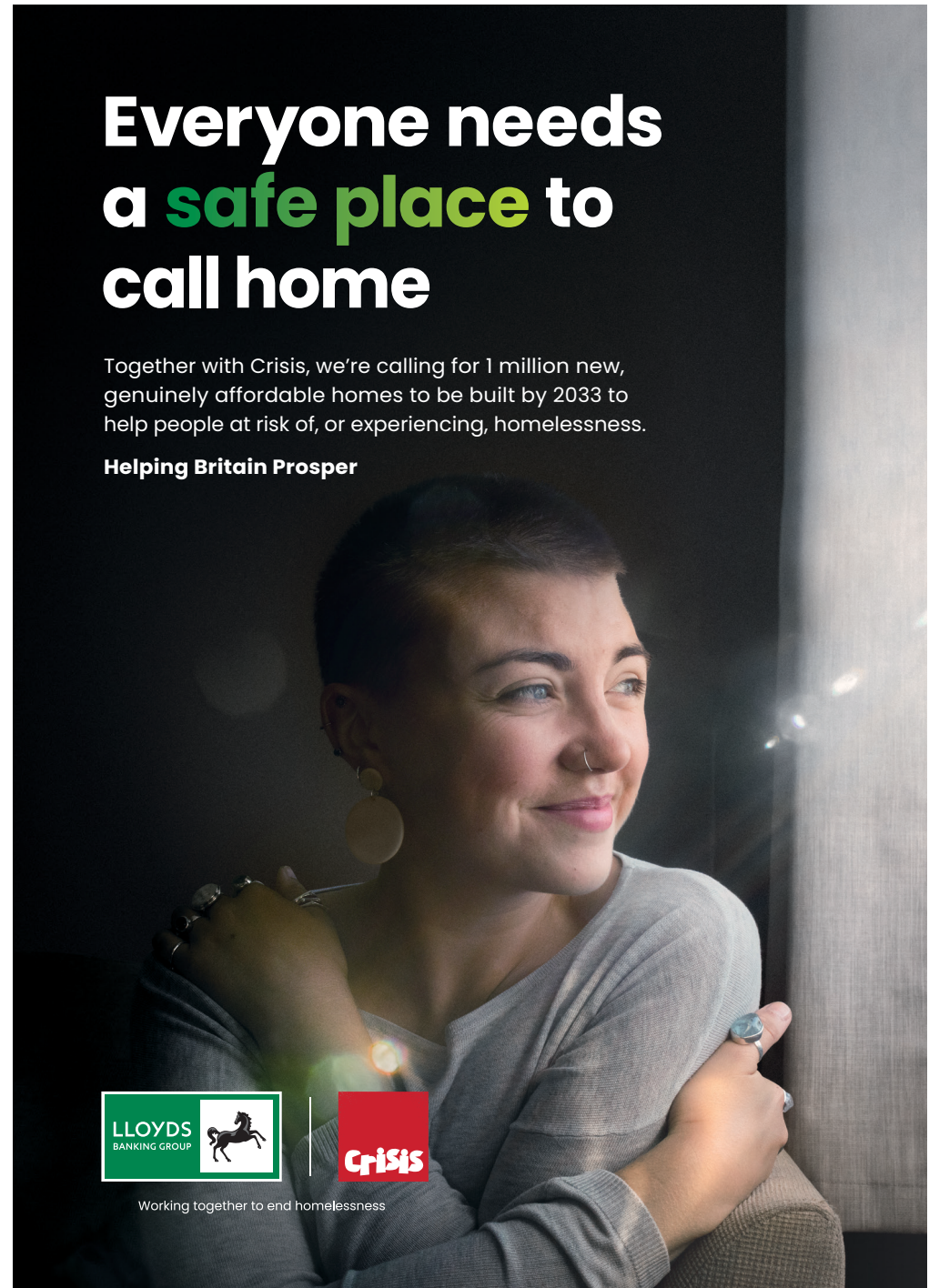
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# Welcome to Conference

*from Ed Davey MP, Liberal Democrat Leader*

I am delighted to welcome you to our first in-person autumn conference since 2019 – and my first as leader of our great party.

I'm especially looking forward to us all celebrating together our amazing recent successes in local council elections and at those historic by-elections!



**I'm still buzzing from Sarah Dyke's incredible victory in Somerton and Frome, and I'm sure you are too. We are winning again because we are working hard, listening to people, and offering real hope in the face of big challenges.**

Everywhere I go, people are fed up with being let down and taken for granted by this out-of-touch Conservative Government. They are struggling to make ends meet, to get a GP appointment, or to find a dentist for their children – and the Conservatives just don't seem to care.

We do care. That's why, at conference and beyond, we are focusing on the things that matter most to people across the country: the cost-of-living crisis, the NHS crisis and the environmental crisis.

**With a general election looming, this will be a conference full of big ideas to get the Conservatives out, change our country for the better, and deliver the fair deal people deserve.**

And I know it will be a lot of fun too! Have a great conference.

# Welcome to Conference

*from Mark Pack, Party President*

**What a quartet of years it has been since our last in-person autumn conference, which was also in Bournemouth. As with four years ago, this is likely to be our last autumn conference before a Westminster general election.**



But we've learnt and grown a lot since then. Our local government base is much larger, with net gains in every round of local elections since then. Our network of campaign staff around the country is much bigger. Our campaign teams are more experienced and better trained. Our political messaging is more finely honed, based on both doorstep feedback and market research. Our range of top candidates is more diverse and our campaign technology is much improved.

So we can look forward with increased confidence to the possibility of a general election soon and to the certainty of another crucial round of local elections next May.

To support that, we need to have the right policies, so it's great to see the range of motions on the agenda for this conference. Particular thanks should go to Dick Newby and everyone involved in drawing up the pre-manifesto that we'll be debating.

Watch out too for the excellent range of training available. You'd have to pay thousands of pounds to get access to the sort of training conference provides at no extra cost!

**Whether you're coming in person, or joining online, I hope you enjoy conference, and make good use of it to boost campaigning in your area.**

Please don't hesitate to grab me for any questions you have, or drop me an email on [president@libdems.org.uk](mailto:president@libdems.org.uk)

# Conference information

If you have any questions on-site, please ask a steward or go to the Information Desk in the main foyer of the BIC.

Be aware that flash photography is frequently used in the auditorium. Please ensure that all mobile phones are on silent before entering the auditorium.

Please note that access to the BIC is only possible with a valid conference pass.

## Accessibility

If you need assistance at the venue, please contact the Information Desk where our stewards will be on hand to help. If you need assistance or information in advance, please visit our website and look at the 'Accessibility' page or contact the Conference Office on:

[conferences@libdems.org.uk](mailto:conferences@libdems.org.uk)

## Complimentary coach from Highcliff Marriott to BIC (running back and forth at peak times)

There is a complimentary coach running from the Highcliff Marriott to the BIC - back and forth between the two properties during peak times at the conference (which includes space for one wheelchair). Priority will be given for those who are less able. Details of timings are on our website under 'Accessibility'.

## Auditorium facilities

- There is access to the stage via a lift at the back of the stage. The chair of the session will ensure wheelchair users are called in plenty of time to access the stage.
- An induction loop system, which can be linked to hearing aids.
- Sign language interpretation during all auditorium sessions; a number of seats are reserved for attendees using this service, at the front of the auditorium.
- Reserved seats at the front of the auditorium for those who would benefit from being closer to the stage due to a visual impairment.

## Mobility aids

The Liberal Democrats have a limited number of electric scooters available for use around the conference venue – please note that they need to be returned each evening. To request the use of an electric scooter, please contact:

[conferences@libdems.org.uk](mailto:conferences@libdems.org.uk)

## Conference Access Fund

We have established a Conference Access Fund to improve accessibility for members attending conference.

The fund consists of a contribution from the conference budget as well as donations from party members. Contributions made by members are ring-fenced. Where applicable, unused donations will be carried over to the next conference.

For details see: [www.libdems.org.uk/access-fund](http://www.libdems.org.uk/access-fund)

## Accommodation

Accommodation can be booked via our local partner: [www.bebres.bzon.uk/event/liberal-democrats-2023](http://www.bebres.bzon.uk/event/liberal-democrats-2023)

## ATM

An ATM is located next to the front entrance of the BIC. Please note that all catering venues in the BIC are cashless (cash is not accepted).

## Cloakroom

Under no circumstances will any large bags or suitcases be allowed into the BIC. There is a cloakroom in the Main Foyer of the BIC – a charge of £2 per item applies.

On the last day of conference your hotel should be able to store your luggage for you after checkout. Alternatively you can leave it at the Highcliff Marriott for a charge of £2 per item.



### Coffee, tea, water - refills

Please bring your reusable coffee / tea cup to conference in order to obtain 10% discount on the price of coffee / tea / hot drinks at the BIC.

Please bring your own reusable water bottle which can be refilled with tap water at the cafes and bars at the BIC.

### Conference Extra and Daily

Conference Extra is available online ahead of conference and Conference Daily each day at conference, containing updates to the agenda including changes to timings, amendments, topical issues, emergency motions and questions to reports, available at: [www.libdems.org.uk/conference\\_papers](http://www.libdems.org.uk/conference_papers)

Limited hard copies of Conference Daily will be available each morning from the Information Desk.

### Be green - Go paperless!

### Distribution of literature

Distribution of literature is not allowed inside or directly outside the BIC. Excessive distribution of promotional literature is not in line with the party's environmental policies.

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### Federal Board helpdesk

The FB helpdesk is situated by the Information Desk. Members of the Federal Board will be available to have strategic conversations with members at the following times:

Saturday	23 September	10.30-11.30
Sunday	24 September	10.30-11.30
Monday	25 September	10.30-11.30
Tuesday	26 September	10.30-11.30

### Federal Conference Committee helpdesk

Members of the FCC will be available to give advice at the Information Desk at the following times:

Saturday	23 September	10.30-11.30 and 13.00-14.00
Sunday	24 September	10.30-11.30
Monday	25 September	10.30-11.30

### First Aid

In the event of needing First Aid, please speak to a conference steward, go to the Information Desk or first aid room at the BIC. The stewards will arrange for First Aiders to attend and/or request a paramedic.

### Information Desk

The Information Desk is located in the main foyer of the BC and is open as follows:

Saturday	23 September	08.30-20.00
Sunday	24 September	08.30-18.30
Monday	25 September	08.30-18.30
Tuesday	26 September	08.30-15.30

You can contact the Information Desk by email:

**[conferenceinformation@libdems.org.uk](mailto:conferenceinformation@libdems.org.uk)**

### Internet access

Free wifi is available in the BIC and The Highcliff Marriott:

#### **BIC**

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#### **The Highcliff Marriott**

Network name: Marriott\_Bonvoy\_Conference  
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### Left luggage

A left luggage facility will be available at the Highcliff Marriott between 08.00 and 17.00 on Tuesday 26 September. Please note that capacity is limited and will be available on a first-come first-served basis. A charge of £2 per item will apply.

### Live stream

The conference will be streamed live at [libdems.org.uk/conference-live](http://libdems.org.uk/conference-live) in case you miss any sessions or want to watch again!

### Lost Property

Any lost property should be handed in to the Information Desk in the foyer of BIC.

### Member welfare

Health Assured is an independent health and wellbeing provider that can offer wellbeing resources as well as a 24/7 365 helpline. All Liberal Democrat members have access to the Health Assured Support Helpline at 0800 028 0199. Members should feel free to use this service as needed.

### Q&A sessions

There will be a series of Q&A sessions during conference where you can ask questions of our spokespeople. All sessions take place in the BIC. See Conference Extra and Daily for details.

### Quiet room

A quiet room is available for those needing a quiet space or for prayer or meditation. The room is the Purbeck store on the ground floor of the BIC. Please be respectful of others using the room.

### Recycling facilities

Recycling facilities for paper, plastic and cans are available throughout the BIC. Please make use of the collection bins.

### Refreshments

For a range of hot food options, snacks and beverages, head to the catering areas on the ground floor of the BIC (Elevate near the front entrance of the BIC and Solent Lounge near the exhibition). If you're in a rush – sandwiches and savoury snacks are also available at Think! on the ground floor. Please note that they are cashless (cash is not accepted). The Highcliff Marriott (HQ & fringe hotel) also has a variety of options available.

### Registration on-site

On-site registration is located via the Russell Road back entrance to the BIC and is open at the following times:

Friday	22 September	17.30-18.30
Saturday	23 September	08.30-18.00
Sunday	24 September	08.30-17.30
Monday	25 September	08.30-17.30
Tuesday	26 September	08.30-12.30

Please note that you may experience queues at busy times.

We strongly advise all those wishing to attend conference to pre-register via:

[www.libdems.org.uk/conference](http://www.libdems.org.uk/conference)

If you have lost your conference photo pass, visit on-site registration to arrange a re-print. A suggested replacement fee of £10 applies.

### Security and safety

Access to the BIC is possible only with a valid conference pass worn with the official lanyard. Conference photo passes must be worn visibly at all times within the secure zone. Anyone found in the secure area without a valid pass will be escorted from the venue.

All attendees will be subject to compulsory bag searches and metal detector wand at the entrance. To ensure you can access the venue as quickly as possible please only bring essential items with you into the conference venue. Please allow time for queuing during key times – particularly after lunch and ahead of popular events. No sharp objects will be allowed in the BIC (including knitting needles).

Under no circumstances will any large bags or suitcases be allowed into the secure zone. Any bag left unattended will be brought to the attention of the police and may be removed and/or destroyed.

### Transport and travel

The BIC is approximately 25 minutes walk (1.6 miles) from Bournemouth train station and 8 minutes (0.3 miles) from the Highcliff Marriott.



## Parking

The BIC has a multi-storey car park for 644 cars. Please collect a ticket upon arrival and pay when you leave. It is open 24 hours a day and has accessible spaces on levels 1, 2 and 3.

Please visit: [www.bic.co.uk/parking](http://www.bic.co.uk/parking) for rates.

For further parking information contact Bournemouth Borough Council Car Parks on: 01202 128900

## Taxis

If you wish to book a local taxi, please contact:

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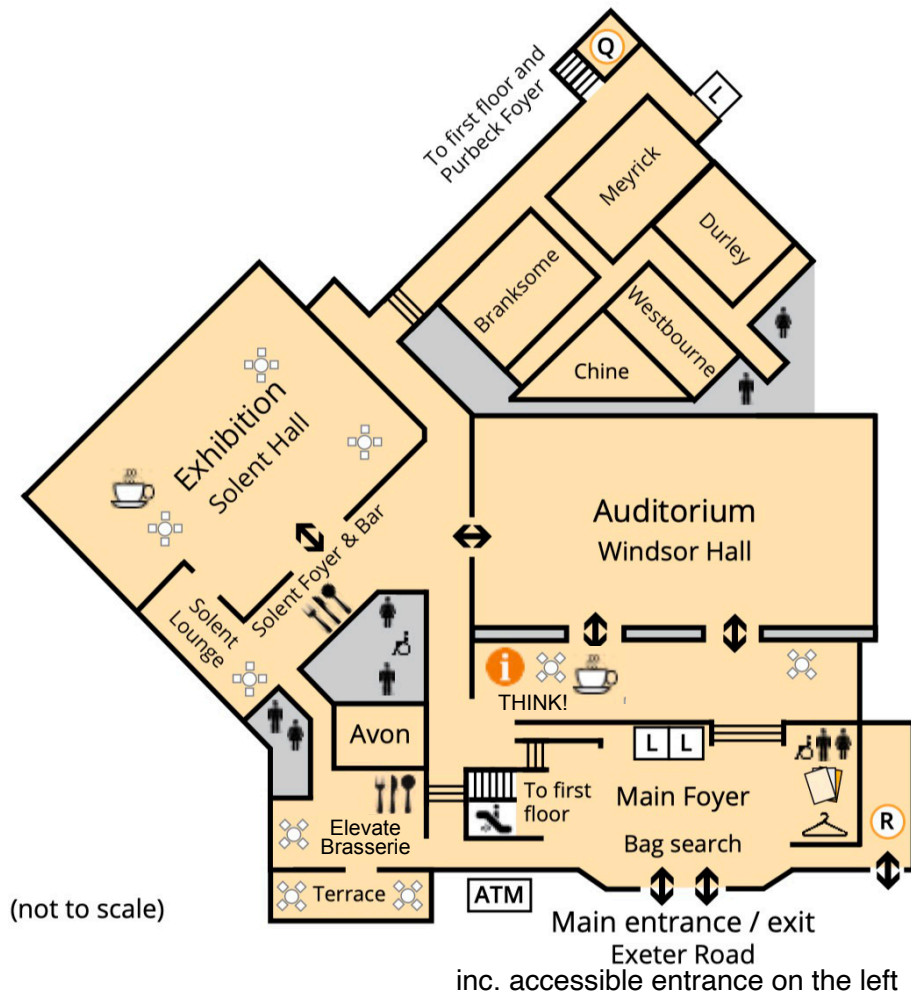
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# Conference venue plans

## The BIC Ground Floor



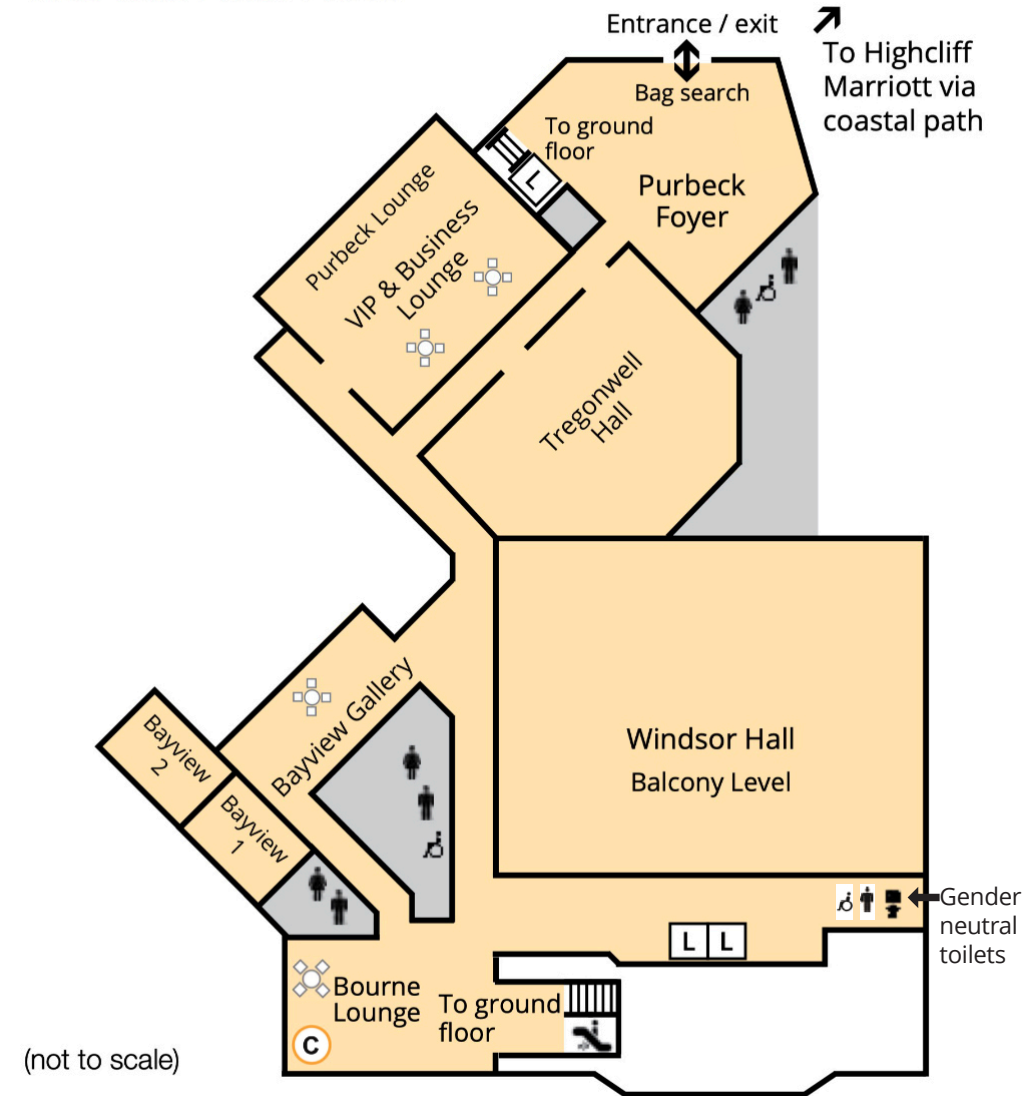
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**Key**

Toilets	Information Desk	Seating
Gender Neutral Toilets	Councillors' Lounge	Literature collection point
Lifts	Quiet room	Catering
Escalators	On-site registration	Coffee shop
Stairs / steps	Cloakroom	

# Conference venue plans

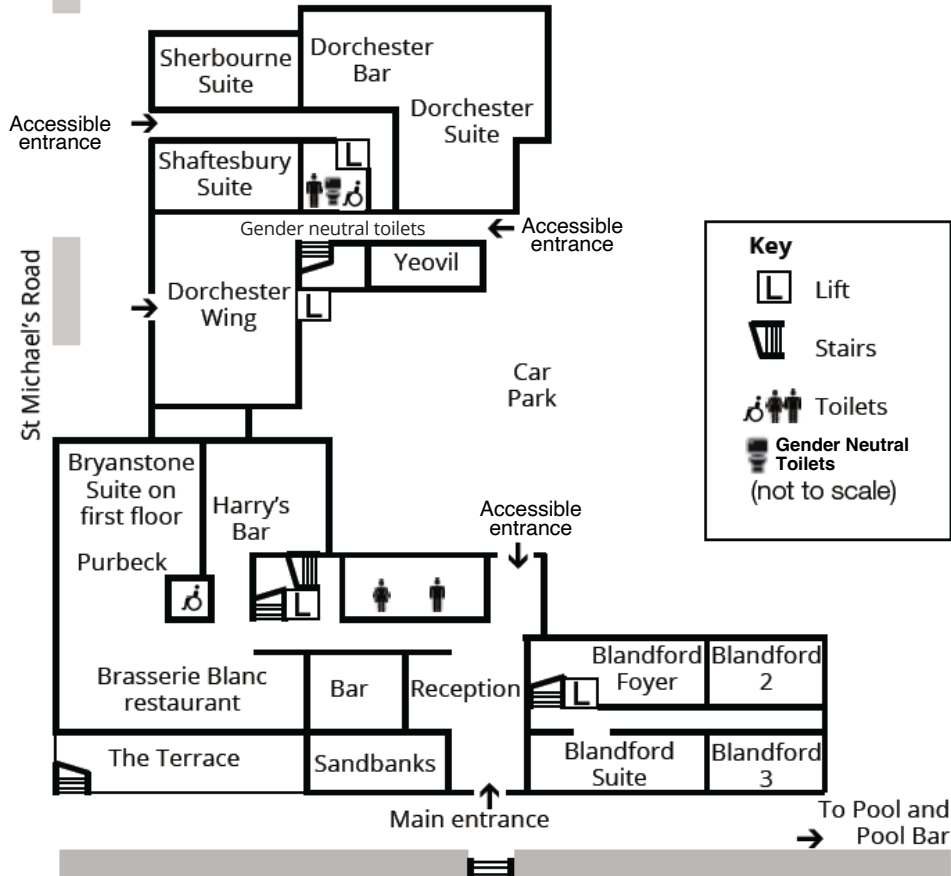
## The BIC First Floor



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# Conference hotel plan

## Plan of the Highcliff Marriott Hotel



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**Highcliff Marriott**  
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 Password: Conference2023

### Wifi details



# The Exhibition

The Exhibition Booths will be live at the following times:

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>23 September</b>	<b>09.00-18.00</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>24 September</b>	<b>09.00-18.00</b>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>25 September</b>	<b>09.00-18.00</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>26 September</b>	<b>09.00-15.30</b>

## Exhibitors by stand number

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| 1 National Education Union                            | 20 Dignity in Dying   |
| 2a Royal National Institute of Blind people (RNIB)    | 21 Wessex Water   |
| 2b Transport for the North                            | 22 Community Windpower Limited                              |
| 3 European Movement UK                                | 23 Liberal Democrat Women                                   |
| 4 ALDE Party  | 24 Liberal Democrat European Group                          |
| 5 bp  | 25 Prospect Magazine  |
| 6 Post Office   | 26 National Liberal Club                                    |
| 7 Utilita Energy                                      | 27 Liberator Magazine                                       |
| 8 His Majesty's Government of Gibraltar               | 28 Liberal Democrats Friends of Palestine                   |
| 9 MCS Foundation                                      | 29 LGBT+ Lib Dems   |
| 10 Liberal Democrat Disability Association            | 30 Young Liberals   |
| 11 Social Liberal Forum                               | 31 Liberal Democrats for Electoral Reform                   |
| 12 Keep Britain Tidy                                  | 32 Liberal Democrats Abroad                                 |
| 13 Rosen Law Firm                                     | 33 Humanist and Secularist Liberal Democrats                |
| 14 Liberal Democrat History Group                     | 34 Association of Liberal Democrat Engineers and Scientists |
| 15 Co-operative Councils' Innovation Network          | 35 Liberal Reform   |
| 16 FareShare  | 36 LD Friends of Hong Kong & LD Friends of Ukraine          |
| 17 Prater Raines                                      | 37 Action for Land Taxation & Economic Reform               |
| 18 MADE IN BRITAIN                                    | 38 Lib Dems in England                                      |
| 19 People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (PETA) | 39 LDHQ Campaigns & Elections Team                          |

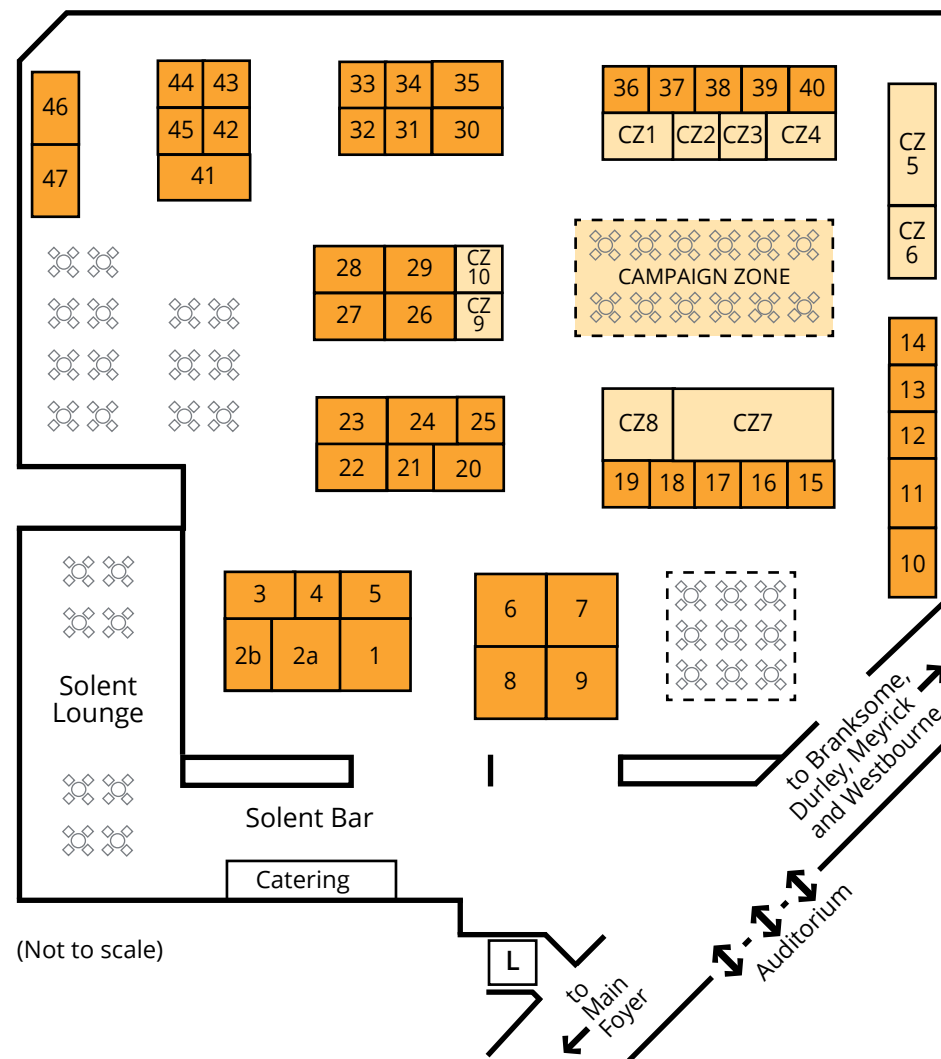


Exhibitors by stand number cont.

40	Friedrich Naumann Foundation for Freedom (FNF)	CZ2	e-lectorate project
41	Liberty & Business Network, Legacy Future Fund	CZ3	Parliamentary Candidates' Association
42	Liberal Democrat Education Association	CZ4	Liberal Democrats Campaign for Race Equality (LDCRE)
43	Liberal Software	CZ5	Association of Liberal Democrat Councillors
44	Liberal Democrat Christian Forum	CZ6	Election Workshop
45	Liberal Democrats for Seekers of Sanctuary	CZ7	Liberal Democrat Image
46	Dementia UK	CZ8	RISO / SHARP
47	Rights Liberties Justice	CZ9	WASPI - Women Against State Pension Inequality
CZ1	Green Lib Dems	CZ10	Park Communications

Exhibition plan

Solent Hall, Ground Floor of BIC



**Key**

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- ⊗ Key to stand numbers on page
- ⊗ Seating area

Exhibition

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Thank you to **Thakeham** for sponsoring the Councillors' Lounge.



# Directory of Exhibitors

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[www.aldc.org](http://www.aldc.org) [www.local.gov.uk/lga-lib-dem-group](http://www.local.gov.uk/lga-lib-dem-group)



Stand CZ5

## ALDE Party

The Alliance of Liberals and Democrats for Europe (ALDE) Party is the party for liberal democrat values in Europe. It consists of more than 70 member parties from 44 countries including the Liberal Democrats.

[www.aldeparty.eu](http://www.aldeparty.eu)



Stand 4

## ALTER

ALTER seeks to build support for Land Value Taxation amongst Liberal Democrats; and to promote and campaign for this policy as a more sustainable and just resource-based economic system.

[www.libdemsalter.org.uk](http://www.libdemsalter.org.uk)



Stand 37

## BP

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[www.bp.com/en/global/corporate/news-and-insights/reimagining-energy/bp-in-the-uk.html](http://www.bp.com/en/global/corporate/news-and-insights/reimagining-energy/bp-in-the-uk.html)



Stand 5

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Stand 22

## Co-operative Councils Innovation Network

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Stand 15

## Dementia UK

No-one should face dementia alone. Our specialist Admiral Nurses provide information, tips and emotional support for families. Visit our stand to talk with a nurse or to book a private chat.

[www.dementiauk.org](http://www.dementiauk.org)



Stand 46

## Dignity in Dying

Dignity in Dying is a membership campaign for the legalisation of assisted dying, allowing terminally ill, mentally competent adults to control their own deaths, subject to strict safeguards.

[www.dignityindying.org.uk](http://www.dignityindying.org.uk)



Stand 20

## Election Workshop

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Stand CZ6

## E-lectorate Project

Download the 'e-lectorate' app on App Store and Google Play! e-lectorate project is a research project evaluating if UK democracy can be improved through a dedicated social media application. We aim to:

- Increase democratic participation by lowering the barriers to entry;
- Enhance the ability for citizens to hold elected bodies to account;
- Create a scalable direct democracy. Visit Stand CZ2

[www.e-lectorateproject.uk/](http://www.e-lectorateproject.uk/)



Stand CZ2

### European Movement UK

A cross-party organisation that believes that the UK's economic and political interests are best served through the UK playing our full part as a member of the EU. EMUK has 21,000 members, over 200,000 supporters, over 100 local groups, with strong networks across the UK and EU.

[www.europeanmovement.co.uk](http://www.europeanmovement.co.uk)



Stand 3

### Fare Share

A cross-party organisation that believes that the UK's economic and political interests are best served through the UK playing our full part as a member of the EU. EMUK has 21,000 members, over 200,000 supporters, over 100 local groups, with strong networks across the UK and EU.

[www.fareshare.org.uk](http://www.fareshare.org.uk)



Stand 16

### Friedrich Naumann Foundation for Freedom (FNF)

The German liberal foundation that globally promotes democracy, good governance, human rights and a social market economy. FNF have a specific programme for UK-EU Liberal Dialogue.

[www.freiheit.org/european-union](http://www.freiheit.org/european-union)



Stand 40

### Green Liberal Democrats

Green Liberal Democrats work to improve awareness of environmental issues and to embed these issues into all Liberal Democrat social and economic policies in a distinctive and electable way.

[www.greenlibdems.org.uk](http://www.greenlibdems.org.uk)

[www.twitter.com/GreenLibDems](https://www.twitter.com/GreenLibDems)



Stand CZ1

### His Majesty's Government of Gibraltar

Keep Britain Tidy is a charity with three goals – to eliminate litter, end waste and improve places. This means creating sustainable practices, eliminating unnecessary waste and cleaning up our environment.

<http://www.gibraltar.gov.gi>



Stand 8

### Humanist & Secularist Liberal Democrats

For Liberal Democrats who believe the state should treat everyone equally whatever their religion or beliefs. Recent campaigns cover humanist weddings, discrimination by schools, assisted dying and CofE disestablishment.

[www.hsld.org.uk](http://www.hsld.org.uk)



Stand 29

### Keep Britain Tidy

Keep Britain Tidy is a charity with three goals – to eliminate litter, end waste and improve places. This means creating sustainable practices, eliminating unnecessary waste and cleaning up our environment.

[www.keepbritaintidy.org/](http://www.keepbritaintidy.org/)



Stand 12

### LDHQ Campaigns & Elections Team

Call by our stand for free expert campaign advice, and to find out about the latest free training, templates and resource kits to help you win. You can sign up for email updates and access to our online Campaign Hub at:

[www.libdems.org.uk/access](http://www.libdems.org.uk/access)



Stand 39

### LGBT+ Lib Dems

We exist to represent the party to the LGBT+ community, to ensure that the party's policies address their needs, and to support LGBT+ candidates and party members.

[www.lgbt.libdems.org.uk](http://www.lgbt.libdems.org.uk)



Stand 29

### Liberty & Business Network, Legacy Future Fund

The Liberty Network & Lib Dem Business Network are groups of like-minded Liberal Democrat supporters who are passionate about liberal values, business and issues. Consider leaving a gift in your will to the Liberal Democrats Legacy Fund and help us build our movement for generations to come. We rely on your financial support to ensure the values we cherish remain central, at every level of government.

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[www.libdems.org.uk/future-fund](http://www.libdems.org.uk/future-fund)



Stand 41



### Liberal Democrat Campaign for Race Equality (LDCRE)

LDCRE aims to build and safeguard a fair, free and open society and to fight against prejudice and discrimination based on race, colour or religion within the party and society.

[www.ldcre.org.uk/](http://www.ldcre.org.uk/)



Stand CZ4

### Liberal Democrat Christian Forum

We are a Christian voice in the Party and a voice of liberal democracy among Christians. We support Christians of all backgrounds to engage positively and constructively in politics.

[www.ldcf.org](http://www.ldcf.org)



Stand 44

### Liberal Democrat Disability Association

The LDDA, working to raise awareness and understanding of disability both through the Liberal Democrats, and the rest of society.

[www.disabilitylibdems.org.uk/en/](http://www.disabilitylibdems.org.uk/en/)



Stand 10

### Liberal Democrat Education Association

The Liberal Democrat Education Association aims to improve education through: publishing articles; running conferences; generating new ideas; promoting Lib Dem education policies and providing advice to Liberal Democrats in power.

[www.ldea.org.uk](http://www.ldea.org.uk)



Stand 42

### Liberal Democrat European Group & Liberal International British Group

The Liberal Democrat European Group works to strengthen the UK's relationship with the EU and foster understanding of European politics through debate, study visits and dialogue with European sister parties. LIBG is part of Liberal International. We hold regular seminars, with in-depth analysis of countries and current events, and publish our newsletter, Interlib, essential reading to understand the world today.

[www.ldeg.org](http://www.ldeg.org) [www.twitter.com/LibDemEurope](https://www.twitter.com/LibDemEurope)  
[www.libg.co.uk/en](http://www.libg.co.uk/en)



Stand 24

### Liberal Democrat Friends of Hong Kong & Friends of Ukraine

LDFdshk and LDFoU are both new organisations joining hands for human rights and against authoritarians. We champion asylum seekers/casework. Visit our stand to learn more and sign up!

[www.friendsofhongkong.org.uk](http://www.friendsofhongkong.org.uk)



Stand 36

### Liberal Democrat Friends of Palestine

LDFP fights for the rights of the Palestinian People, for immediate recognition of Palestine as a State, and for the human rights of Palestinians as defined in international law.

[www.ldfp.org.uk](http://www.ldfp.org.uk)

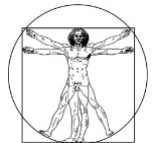


Stand 28

### Liberal Democrat History Group

The past illuminates the present. Subscribe to the 'Journal of Liberal History'. New booklet: 'What Have the Liberals Ever Done for Us?', the greatest achievements of Liberal governments and MPs.

[www.liberalhistory.org.uk](http://www.liberalhistory.org.uk)



Stand 14

### Liberal Democrat Image

Visit the party's official supplier of campaign materials and merchandise. Find all the latest products and save money on postage. Visit our website [www.libdemimage.co.uk](http://www.libdemimage.co.uk) and find us on Facebook.

[www.libdemimage.co.uk](http://www.libdemimage.co.uk)



Stand C27

**Liberal Democrat Women**

Lib Dem Women works to support and amplify women's voices in politics, and to push for policies that will help all women across Britain.

[www.libdemwomen.org.uk](http://www.libdemwomen.org.uk)



Stand 23

**Liberal Democrats Abroad**

3.5 million Britons living abroad will have the right to vote in the next General Election. Visit us to hear how we can campaign together to win their votes!

[www.libdemsabroad.org/](http://www.libdemsabroad.org/)



Stand 32

**Liberal Democrats for Electoral Reform**

LDER is engaging with the wider party to get both the policy and strategy right, and is working with reformers outside the party to get PR implemented at all levels.

[www.lider.org](http://www.lider.org)



Stand 31

**Liberal Democrats for Seekers of Sanctuary (LD4SOS)**

LD4SOS believe in standing up for those who seek sanctuary in our country and treating them with compassion, humanity and respect. We work to influence Party policy.

[www.ld4sos.org.uk](http://www.ld4sos.org.uk)



Stand 45

**Liberal Democrats in England**

The Liberal Democrats in England: a federation of the eleven Regional Parties, plus the English Young Liberals. We support Regions so they can support their local parties even more effectively.

[www.englishlibdems.org](http://www.englishlibdems.org)



Stand 38

**Liberator Magazine**

Liberator is free to read online and is packed with thought provoking articles from writers across the party. And with RB read news you won't read anywhere else.

[www.liberatormagazine.org.uk](http://www.liberatormagazine.org.uk)



Stand 27

**Liberal Reform**

Liberal Reform exists within the Liberal Democrats to promote personal liberty and a fair society supported by free, open and competitive markets. We seek to make these values central to Party policy.

[www.liberalreform.org.uk](http://www.liberalreform.org.uk)



Stand 35

**Liberal Software**

A group of volunteer coders, designers and managers using our skills to help to party.

[www.liberalsoftware.org](http://www.liberalsoftware.org)



Stand 43

**Made In Britain**

Helping British manufacturers sell more with one mark.

[www.madeinbritain.org](http://www.madeinbritain.org)



Stand 18

**MCS Foundation**

The MCS Foundation works to decarbonise homes, heat and energy. We support and encourage the adoption of policy to scale up renewable energy for homes, as well as energy efficiency measures, at all levels of Government. We give grants, fund research and help facilitate innovative solutions that can drive widespread adoption of zero carbon energy technologies.

[www.mcscharitablefoundation.org](http://www.mcscharitablefoundation.org)



Stand 9

**National Education Union**

The National Education Union brings together more than 450,000 teachers, support staff and leaders, to form the largest education union in Europe. Visit the NEU's stand to find why it is time to invest in education and our children's futures.

[www.neu.org.uk](http://www.neu.org.uk)



Stand 1

**National Liberal Club**

Founded in 1882, the National Liberal Club, located in the heart of Whitehall, is an open, welcoming, diverse and unique Private Members' Club.

[www.nl.org.uk](http://www.nl.org.uk)



Stand 26

### Park Communications

20 years working with Lib Dems throughout the UK, printing good looking election literature, and delivering it to the right place at the right time.

[www.parkcom.co.uk](http://www.parkcom.co.uk)



Stand CZ10

### Parliamentary Candidates' Association

Parliamentary Candidates' Association supporting all PPC's in their bid to win elections.

[www.libdemspca.org.uk](http://www.libdemspca.org.uk)



Stand CZ3

### People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (PETA)

The People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (PETA) Foundation is a UK-based charity dedicated to establishing and protecting the rights of all animals.

[www.peta.org.uk](http://www.peta.org.uk)



Stand 19

### Post Office

With over 11,500 branches across the UK, Post Office is the largest retailer in the country providing essential mails and banking services to consumers and businesses alike.

[www.corporate.postoffice.co.uk](http://www.corporate.postoffice.co.uk)



Stand 6

### Prater Raines Ltd

The Liberal Democrats' development partner for Lighthouse and Fleet, making the Party's online campaigning shipshape for the future. Meet the team for Fleet demonstrations and advice.

[www.prateraines.co.uk](http://www.prateraines.co.uk)

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Stand 17

#### Conference Daily

Conference Daily will be available each morning online at [www.libdems.org.uk/conference\\_papers](http://www.libdems.org.uk/conference_papers) and via the Conference App.

### Prospect Magazine

Prospect magazine is an independent and authoritative monthly magazine that allows thoughtful debate and in-depth analysis on current affairs, the economy, politics and the arts to understand our changing world.

[www.prospectmagazine.co.uk](http://www.prospectmagazine.co.uk)

Prospect

Stand 25

### Rights-Liberties-Justice (Liberal Democrat Lawyers Association)

The home for Liberal Democrats interested in rights, liberties and justice issues; don't need to be a lawyer to join but share our passion for justice and rule of law.

[www.rights-liberties-justice.uk](http://www.rights-liberties-justice.uk)

Rights  
Liberties  
Justice

Stand 47

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[www.riso.co.uk](http://www.riso.co.uk)



Stand CZ8

### Rosen Law Firm

Dedicated exclusively to recovering investment losses. Over \$400 million recovered for investors in the last 2 years.

[www.Rosenlegal.com](http://www.Rosenlegal.com)



Stand 13

### Royal National Institute of Blind People (RNIB)

The Royal National Institute of Blind People (RNIB), the leading sight loss charity in the UK, provides services and support, and campaigns with blind and partially sighted people to break down barriers for people with sight loss. Visit our stand to experience for yourself how Vision Rehabilitation can be life-changing.

[www.Rnib.org.uk](http://www.Rnib.org.uk)

RNIB

See differently

Stand 2a



### Social Liberal Forum

The Social Liberal Forum campaigns for a Citizens' Britain, one characterised by a massive transfer of power from remote and unaccountable corporations and state institutions to people and their communities.

[www.socialliberal.net](http://www.socialliberal.net)



Stand 11

### Transport for the North

Transport for the North is the UK's first sub-national transport body, bringing the North's political and business leaders together as #OneVoice to 'Transform the North'.

[www.transportfornorth.com](http://www.transportfornorth.com)



Stand 2b

### Utilita Energy

Celebrated for its unique approach to doing energy better, Utilita is the only supplier created to help households use less energy and is the market leader in Smart pre-payment.

[www.utilita.co.uk](http://www.utilita.co.uk)



Stand 7

### Visit Bournemouth

Business Events Bournemouth is the official Conference Bureau. We are here to provide you with information to make your stay all the more enjoyable. Pop along and meet the team.

[www.businesseventsbourneouth.org.uk](http://www.businesseventsbourneouth.org.uk)

[www.twitter.com/B2BBournemouth](https://twitter.com/B2BBournemouth)



Table Top Stand

### WASPI - Women Against State Pension Inequality

WASPI - a campaign group for 1950s born women who saw rapid and steep increases to their State Pension age without adequate notice. The Ombudsman found this to be maladministration. Over 3.6 million women are affected. WASPI calls for fair and fast compensation, acknowledging the financial and emotional hardship caused by this failure by the DWP.

[www.waspi.co.uk](http://www.waspi.co.uk)



Stand CZ9

### Wessex Water

Wessex Water provides water and waste services to more than 2.9 million customers across the south west, focusing on the environment, sustainability and the local community.

[www.wessexwater.co.uk](http://www.wessexwater.co.uk)



Stand 21

### Young Liberals

We provide a platform for young people and students to have their voices heard and act as a radical pressure group within the Liberal Democrats.

[www.youngliberals.uk](http://www.youngliberals.uk)



Stand 30

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## Liberal Democrat Challenge

### Autumn Conference 2023: Fringe Events



As Kermit the frog said "It's not easy being green" - but we are challenging Liberal Democrats to put our environmental concerns on the Climate Crisis and the Destruction of Nature at the very heart of our Manifesto for the next General Election. Come along and find out WHY and HOW....

**Rewilding at Knepp**  
**Sunday 24 September - 18.15 - 19.15**  
**(BIC) - Tregonwell Hall – in the Well**

Chair: Cllr Keith Melton  
 Q&A Panel: Cllr Pippa Heylings and Richard Benwell (CEO, Wildlife & Countryside Link)  
 Come & hear Isabella Tree tell the fascinating story of the rewilding of the 3,500 acre Knepp estate and the recovery of biodiversity.

**RECEPTION:**  
**Alternative Sunday Lunch**  
**Sunday 24 September - 13.00 - 14.00**  
**(BIC) – Bourne Lounge**

Chair: Cllr Keith Melton  
 Refreshments: Come along & mingle with our current & future GLD Parliamentarians: Wera Hobhouse MP, Rising Stars: Sarah Dyke; Pippa Heylings; Zoe Franklin. (Invited: Baronesses Walmsley & Parminter; Lords Stunell & Oates)

**Liberal Democrat Challenge**  
**Monday 25 September - 20.15 - 21.30**  
**Highcliff Marriott Hotel – Bryanston Suite**

Chair: Cllr Keith Melton (Climate Change Portfolio NSDC)  
 Panel: Wera Hobhouse MP, Cllr Sarah Dyke, Cllr Pippa Heylings, Cllr Louise Harris  
 The Challenge:

*"How do we convert our  
 Local Success to the  
 National Stage?"*



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Liberal Democrats for Electoral Reform, with Unlock Democracy, Make Votes Matter, and Electoral Reform Society.

# Clean up our politics to restore our democracy

**Sunday 24th September at 18:15**  
**Meyrick Suite, Bournemouth International Centre**

Speakers from Compass and Electoral Reform Society TBC



Christine Jardine MP,  
 Cabinet Office  
 Spokesperson



Jess Sargeant,  
 Associate Director,  
 Institute for Government



Klina Jordan,  
 Chief Executive,  
 Make Votes Matter



Tom Brake,  
 Director,  
 Unlock Democracy

Sleaze scandals bursting out from the corridors of power; MPs second jobs and big money funding; absolute power for governments despite winning far less than half the votes – no wonder people decide their votes are wasted. **What's the reform agenda?**



## Kira Rudik & John Sweeney in conversation



Layla Moran MP introduces:  
 Kira Rudik, Leader of the Ukrainian Holos Party & ALDE Vice President,  
 & John Sweeney, investigative journalist,  
 will share they experiences the war in Ukraine and why the fight for liberalism continues

**Sunday 24th September**  
**13.00-14.00**

**Bournemouth International Centre (BIC)**  
**Tregonwell Hall**



## Not enough teachers: how to fix the recruitment and retention crisis in education?

**Sunday 24  
September  
1pm to 2pm**

**Dorchester South,  
Bournemouth Highcliff  
Marriott**

Forty thousand teachers left the profession last year – a staggering nine per cent of the whole teaching workforce. The Government looks likely to miss its recruitment targets for new teachers in secondary schools by 50 per cent. Parents and pupils see first-hand the effect that this has every day across the country. Children are being taught by teachers with no qualification in the subject they are teaching. Join the National Education Union to discuss how to fix the recruitment and retention crisis in our schools and deliver the best possible education for our children.

**Speakers:**  
**Munira Wilson MP (invited)**  
**Daniel Kebede, NEU General Secretary**  
 Other speakers to be confirmed  
**Refreshments provided**



**Help us shape the future of education: be part of the National Education Union Councillor network**

**Being a member of our network will give you:**

- > Access to written briefings.
- > Regular information about education issues.
- > Access to our events for councillors.

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You can find Pablo at this conference if you fancy a chat. He looks like this but probably a little more tired.



# Fringe and training guide


## Official fringe and training venues

**Bournemouth Highcliff Marriott,**  
St Michael's Road, Bournemouth, BH2 5DU

**Bournemouth International, Centre (BIC)**  
Exeter Road, Bournemouth, BH2 5BH

### Key to fringe listings

 Refreshments provided

 Hearing loop provided

Locations are shown on the map of Bournemouth on the back cover.

## Fringe meeting access

All fringe events listed in our official venues are wheelchair-accessible.

If you experience any access difficulties, please let the Information Desk know, or make a comment on your online feedback.

If you have any concerns or compliments about a fringe event at conference, please contact the event organiser during or at the end of the session.

## Spokesperson Q&A Sessions

**There will be four Q&A sessions at conference where you can ask questions of our spokespeople. All sessions will take place in the Bournemouth International Centre (BIC), Bayview Suite 2.**

### Saturday 23rd September

15.00-16.00: Tim Farron MP and Cathy Bakewell on Rural Affairs  
Chair: Eleanor Kelly



16.30-17.30: Alex Cole-Hamilton MSP and Malcom Bruce on Scotland  
Chair: Paul McGarry



### Sunday 24th September

16.30-17.30: Wera Hobhouse MP on Energy and Climate Change  
Chair: Jennie Rigg



### Monday 25th September

15.30-16.30: Richard Foord MP and Julie Smith on Defence  
Chair: Hannah Kitching



# What is 'fringe'?

The 'fringe' is the term used for the many individual events, hosted by businesses/commercial organisations, charities, think tanks, party bodies, NGOs and trade bodies, etc. They take place around the main conference and offer the opportunity to hear from expert guest speakers on a huge range of topics. Events taking place can include seminars, debates, workshops and receptions. The majority of fringe events are held at the BIC and Marriott Hotel with others taking place in and around Bournemouth.

## Saturday 23rd September

### FRINGE SATURDAY LUNCHTIME 13.00-14.30

#### Liberal Democrats

#### *Federal Conference Committee / Conference Access Group*

This is your chance to help improve disability access at future conferences. Join in an informal discussion and tell us - what else can be done?

#### Bournemouth International Centre, Avon Room

#### New Liberal Manifesto

#### *Shouldn't we be doing better? The need for bolder messaging*

Despite local and by-election successes, the party lags badly in opinion polls. Join psephologist John Curtice and Lord Dick Newby to discuss whether we would benefit from being bolder on Europe and other core Liberal issues. Chair: Layla Moran MP.

#### Bournemouth International Centre, Bayview Suite 1

#### LGA Liberal Democrat Group and ALDC

#### *Turning around Children's Services*

Hear how the Torbay Lib Dem team helped turn round the council's Children's Services, with Cllrs Steve Darling and Cordelia Law and Lord Mike Storey. Chair Cllr Lucy Nethsingha.

[www.local.gov.uk/lga-lib-dem-group](http://www.local.gov.uk/lga-lib-dem-group) [www.twitter.com/libdemlocalgov](https://www.twitter.com/libdemlocalgov)

#### Bournemouth International Centre, Branksome Suite



**FRINGE SATURDAY LUNCHTIME 13.00-14.30 CONT.****Liberal Democrat Friends of Palestine*****Palestine's UK Envoy talks to Alistair Carmichael MP and Hannah Weisfeld***

Dr Husam Zomlot will be in conversation with Alistair Carmichael MP and Hannah Weisfeld, Director of Yachad (which represents British Jews) about the way forward for the two-state solution while an ultra-right wing regime is in power in the Knesset.

**Bournemouth International Centre, Meyrick Suite**

**International Security Consultation Session**

This is an opportunity for members to engage with the policy working group on International Security and Defence. Chaired by Dr Christine Cheng, member of the Federal Policy Committee and Manifesto Working Group.

**Bournemouth International Centre, Westbourne Suite**

**Countryside Alliance Foundation*****Future of the countryside: the Liberal Democrat vision?***

As the next General Election approaches, join Party figures and rural experts in a thoughtful discussion of what the Liberal Democrat vision should look like for the future of the British countryside.

[www.countryside-alliance.org/campaigns/foundation](http://www.countryside-alliance.org/campaigns/foundation)

[www.twitter.com/CAupdates](https://www.twitter.com/CAupdates)

**Marriott, Bryanston Suite**

**Social Liberal Forum*****A Radical and Liberal approach to capitalism and economics***

Sarah Olney MP, Treasury spokesperson, leads an expert panel in finding answers to the economic wounds of 40 years. Radical economic reform is essential to achieve fairness. Part of the SLF series: "Putting Leaves on the Magic Money Tree".

**Marriott, Dorchester North**

**FRINGE SATURDAY LUNCHTIME 13.00-14.30 CONT.****Liberal Democrat European Group*****Building Coalition Government***

Our European sister parties can probably tell us a thing or two about building coalition Governments. Which lessons to follow and which to avoid? Come and find out from what promises to be a lively, insightful and well-timed debate.

**Marriott, Dorchester South**

**Lib Dem Education Association & Young Liberals*****Mental Health In Education - Young Students & Teachers***

Part 2 of series of Fringes looking at mental health in education. This time, we hear from young students and teachers to get their views on how mental health services, stigma, and support are doing in different tiers of education.

**Marriott, Shaftesbury Suite**

**ALTER*****The role of Land Value Capture in the reconstruction of Ukraine***

Economists have long supported land value capture – collecting the increase in land value that results from public spending on infrastructure and other services – as the optimal method of financing public infrastructure. Reconstruction of Ukraine and value capture are an ideal match.

[libdemsalter.org.uk/en/](http://libdemsalter.org.uk/en/)

**Marriott, Sherborne Suite**

**FRINGE SATURDAY EARLY EVENING 18.30-19.30****Members Rally**

The countdown to the next general election begins here. As we get ready to head into 2024, this exciting and motivational rally will see MPs and candidates from across the country come together to celebrate our party and what makes us Liberal. With the latest victory props and a look ahead to our future - you won't want to miss this.

**Bournemouth International Centre, Auditorium**

**FRINGE SATURDAY MID EVENING 20.15-21.30****UK Anti-Corruption Coalition*****Kleptocrats and Oligarchs: Tackling Britain's Dirty Money Problem***

Russia's invasion of Ukraine has brought Britain's dirty money problem to the surface. Join us for an expert panel discussion on illicit finance and the effect 'Londongrad' has on the war in Ukraine, national security, and our international reputation.

[www.ukanticorruptioncoalition.org](http://www.ukanticorruptioncoalition.org)   [www.twitter.com/ukaccoalition](https://www.twitter.com/ukaccoalition)

**Bournemouth International Centre, Bayview Suite 1**

**Liberal Democrats Friends of the Armed Forces*****Fighting against Authoritarians***

A fringe debate from the LibDem Friends of Armed Forces, of Hong Kong and the newly launched Ukraine AO with Lord Purvis, Baroness Smith, Richard Foord MP and others. Fearless Q&A.

**Bournemouth International Centre, Bayview Suite 2**

**Association of Liberal Democrat Engineers and Scientists*****ALDES x Young Liberals Drinks Reception***

Join ALDES and the Young Liberals for Saturday evening chat and networking around everything science, technology, engineering, mathematics, and medicine.

[www.Aldes.org.uk](http://www.Aldes.org.uk)   [www.twitter.com/AldesLibDems](https://www.twitter.com/AldesLibDems)

**Bournemouth International Centre, Durley Suite**

**Liberal Democrat History Group*****What Have the Liberals Ever Done For Us? Book Launch***

Launch of the History Group's new concise guide to the greatest Liberal achievements, from the seventeenth to the twenty-first centuries. Speakers: Layla Moran MP, Sarah Olney MP, Wendy Chamberlain MP, Janey Little (Young Liberals). Special book price for meeting participants!

**Bournemouth International Centre, Meyrick Suite**

**FRINGE SATURDAY MID EVENING 20.15-21.30 CONT.****Friedrich Naumann Foundation (FNF)*****Teaser UK-EU Liberal Dialogue*****INVITE ONLY**

Despite Brexit, the UK and EU remain one region that maintains strong ties and common interests. FNF's UK-EU Liberal Dialogue addresses growth and connectivity opportunities across the English Channel, Europe's role in the world, and how to thrive together through partnership and community.

[www.freiheit.org/european-union](http://www.freiheit.org/european-union)   [www.twitter.com/fnfeurope](https://www.twitter.com/fnfeurope)

**Marriott, Blandford Syndicate 3**

**ALDC*****Association of Liberal Democrat Councillors AGM and 2022 Campaigner Awards***

We look forward to welcoming our members to our AGM! Find out what we have been doing and have your say in how we are run. Followed by this year's Campaigner Awards for local campaign success sponsored by Election Workshop.

**Marriott, Dorchester North**

**Liberal Democrats Campaign for Race Equality*****Living in an unequal Britain with a Liberal Democrat Lense***

Review After Review. Is anybody listening. Are you engaging with the Ethnic minority communities? If not, why not. Do you know how and where to start. VIP Guest Speakers to be confirmed. See you at a no holds barred discussion.

[www.twitter.com/LDCRE1](https://www.twitter.com/LDCRE1)

**Marriott, Sandbanks Room**





**FRINGE SATURDAY MID EVENING 20.15-21.30 CONT.****Liberal Democrats for Seekers of Sanctuary (LD4SOS)*****The UK's asylum system after the "Illegal Migration Bill" and Rwanda Judgement***

What does the future hold for asylum seekers? John Skipworth (LD4SOS Chair) hosts an expert panel with Alistair Carmichael MP (Home Affairs spokesperson), Dr Ruvi Ziegler (Associate Professor in International Refugee Law and LD4SOS Council Member) and civil society activists.

ld4sos.org.uk      www.twitter.com/ld4sos

**Marriott, Shaftesbury Suite**

**Launch of the Liberal Democrat's Future Fund**

Ed Davey is launching the Liberal Democrat's Future Fund - to support the Party's future campaigning efforts and ensure we win seats in Westminster and beyond, for generations to come. Would you consider leaving a gift in your will to the Liberal Democrats.

**Marriott, Sherborne Suite**

**Social Liberal Forum*****Liberal Democracy under threat from populism of Left and Right and Trump***

Panel discussion: The idea of liberal democracy faces serious threats worldwide. Populist authoritarianism is rising. Has Liberal triumphalism contributed since the Cold War and fall of the Berlin Wall? Fighting for the rule of law, democracy, internationalism, and human rights.

**Marsham Court Hotel, The Plantation Suite**

**FRINGE SATURDAY LATE EVENING 22.00-MIDNIGHT****Lib Dem Disco*****The Good to Be Back Special***

#LibDemDisco 2023 is back and bigger than ever! Dig out those dancing shoes and join Cambridge Lib Dems and ALDC to dance the night away. The all star DJs will be revealed soon.

**Marriott, Dorchester Suite**

**Training and Skills Programme****Saturday 23 September - Tuesday 26 September**

**Welcome to our Autumn Conference 2023 training programme!**

Whether you're just starting out as a Liberal Democrat member, or whether you've been a member for decades, there's a training session for everyone. You can learn new skills, brush up on existing skills or even learn how to take on new roles in the party.

We have also created some training streams to help you get the most out of conference! But of course you can just turn up to any session you like. Below is a brief description of each stream so if you want to concentrate on a particular area you can!

**Party Roles** - Learn or develop the skills to take on different party roles.

**Local Government** - How to get elected and serve your area as a councillor.

**Candidates** - How to become a candidate or develop your skills as one.

**Start up Campaigner** - For those just getting started in a campaign skill.

**Advanced Campaigner** - For those looking to expand campaigning skills.

**Saturday 23 September****TRAINING AND SKILLS SATURDAY MORNING****09.30-10.45****Introduction to Fleet**

We've got a brand new web platform that'll make it a doddle to run great online campaigns, raise money and win elections. Join us at this session to find out how it works.

*LDHQ Tech Team*

**Branksome Suite, BIC**

**START UP CAMPAIGNER**

**TRAINING AND SKILLS SATURDAY MORNING 09.30-10.45 CONT****How to give a great Conference Speech (Women only)**

Making a speech at conference can seem daunting but here is the help and advice you need. We will explain how to craft your message and deliver it in style to make a big impact on your audience

*Campaign for Gender Balance*

**Durley Suite, BIC**

**CANDIDATES**

**Dealing with Boundary Changes**

How will the boundaries impact on your local party? Is your local party affected by boundary changes? Come along and find out how to share your assets or liabilities?

*LDHQ Compliance Team*

**Westbourne Suite, BIC**

**START UP CAMPAIGNER**

**How to survive Conference**

Get all the inside knowledge on how to survive conference. Designed for first-timers, but old hands might find some new knowledge too; all welcome.

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**Dorchester South, MARRIOTT HIGHCLIFF**

**FIRST TIMERS**

**Creating a winning plan for the General Election - Development & Start-Up**

This session is for anyone in a Development or Start Up seat - Campaign planning is more than just which leaflets you deliver each month. Learn from our campaigning experts on how best to plan your General Election campaign.

*LDHQ Campaigns and Elections Team*

**Dorchester North, MARRIOTT HIGHCLIFF**

**TRAINING AND SKILLS SATURDAY MORNING 09.30-10.45 CONT****Be a Councillor - Approval and Selection**

This session covers the approvals process in detail, discussing why it is necessary, how to do it and how to carry out your local selection process.

*ALDC*

**Sherborne Suite, MARRIOTT HIGHCLIFF**

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT**

**How to become a Westminster Candidate**

A guided tour of the parliamentary approval process for those looking to become a Parliamentary Candidate. Learn how the process works, who does what, and get your questions answered.

*LDHQ Candidates team & ECC*

**Shaftesbury Suite, MARRIOTT HIGHCLIFF**

**CANDIDATES**

**Turn the streets gold in a General Election**

The Lib Dem brand is a crucial part of any election campaign and can help us win over many different types of voters and show the strength we have locally. In this session you can learn about the important role that stakeboards play in winning.

*LDHQ Campaigns and Elections Team*

**Blandford Room, MARRIOTT HIGHCLIFF**

**START UP CAMPAIGNER**

**Be a Councillor - You can be a Lib Dem councillor**

Want to change the world? Do it from the ground up as a local councillor. come and find out what being a councillor is all about

*ALDC*

**Sandbanks Room, MARRIOTT HIGHCLIFF**

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT**

**TRAINING AND SKILLS SATURDAY MORNING 09.30-10.45 CONT****How to fight the Greens in a General Election**

All too often it can feel like we are competing with the Greens for the same voters and this key group of people could make all the difference in a close election. Come along to this session to find out about running campaigns against the Greens

*LDHQ Campaigns and Elections Team*

**Bryanston Suite, MARRIOTT HIGHCLIFF**

**ADVANCED CAMPAIGNER**

**TRAINING AND SKILLS SATURDAY LATE MORNING 11.00-12.15****Introduction to Targeted Email**

Meet Targeted Email - the party's new bulk email tool, in Connect. Learn how to send your first targeted email and all the tips and tricks you need to run great email marketing campaigns.

*LDHQ Tech Team*

**Branksome Suite, BIC**

**START UP CAMPAIGNER**

**How CGB can help you get approved and selected (Women only)**

Learn more about how the Lib Dem Candidate's approval and selection process works. Find out how to prepare yourself to become an approved candidate.

*Campaign for Gender Balance*

**Durley Suite, BIC**

**CANDIDATES**

**Compliance Drop in**

Come and ask the compliance team any questions you may have. Any questions relating to PPERA, being a Treasurer, Data Protection or Election Law.

*LDHQ Compliance Team*

**Westbourne Suite, BIC**

**PARTY ROLES**

**TRAINING AND SKILLS SATURDAY LATE MORNING 11.00-12.15 CONT****How to write a Conference Motion**

Writing a conference motion is a skill. Learn from seasoned experts on the best way to write one.

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**Dorchester South, MARRIOTT HIGHCLIFF**

**FIRST TIMERS**

**Knocking on the right doors in a General Election**

Whether you've been knocking doors for years, or never tried before, what are we trying to achieve, which are the best techniques to use, and how do we make sure the data we collect is reliable especially in the lead up to the General Election?

*LDHQ Campaigns and Elections Team*

**Dorchester North, MARRIOTT HIGHCLIFF**

**ADVANCED CAMPAIGNER**

**Be a Councillor - Keeping Your Council Seat**

So you've won! Brilliant! Now learn how to keep your seat and grow your team. A must for all councillors, especially those elected for the first time.

*ALDC*

**Sherborne Suite, MARRIOTT HIGHCLIFF**

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT**

**People behind the scenes**

Not everyone wants to be an MP, but every MP needs help to get elected. Agents, Returning Officers and Assessors are essential. Here's what you can do to help.

*LDHQ Candidates team & ECC*

**Shaftesbury Suite, MARRIOTT HIGHCLIFF**

**PARTY ROLES**

**TRAINING AND SKILLS SATURDAY LATE MORNING****11.00-12.15 CONT****Be a Councillor - Inclusive council groups and communities with LDCRE**

Understand how to make your council group inclusive, responsive to local communities and properly representative.

*ALDC*

**Sandbanks Room, MARRIOTT HIGHCLIFF**

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT**

**Lessons from the by-election in Somerton & Frome**

After our success in Somerton and Frome in July come along and hear from members of the team who got Sarah Dyke MP elected about their top tips that you can replicate in your seats.

*LDHQ Campaigns and Elections Team*

**Bryanston Suite, MARRIOTT HIGHCLIFF**

**START UP CAMPAIGNER**

**TRAINING AND SKILLS SATURDAY AFTERNOON****15.00-16.00****Digital in Depth: Winning Online**

Find out how to make the most of social media as a top tool in your campaigning arsenal. This is an intermediate session, aimed at people who are comfortable with using Facebook.

*LDHQ Tech Team*

**Branksome Suite, BIC**

**ADVANCED CAMPAIGNER**

**First Steps towards standing for Parliament (Women only)**

Have you ever wanted to stand for Parliament but felt unsure of where to start? Come along and have the Campaign for Gender Balance help you with your first steps.

*Campaign for Gender Balance*

**Durley Suite, BIC**

**CANDIDATES**

**TRAINING AND SKILLS SATURDAY AFTERNOON****15.00-16.00 CONT****Community campaigning - How to write a great FOCUS article**

FOCUS is the foundation stone of countless Lib Dem campaigns. Make sure your FOCUS articles pack a punch by attending this session.

*ALDC*

**Dorchester South, MARRIOTT HIGHCLIFF**

**START UP CAMPAIGNER**

**Ensuring you have the team you need in a General Election**

General Elections are won by building a strong team on the ground able to face any challenge that comes their way. Come along and hear how you can be ensuring your seat has the team it needs for a General Election

*LDHQ Campaigns and Elections Team*

**Dorchester North, MARRIOTT HIGHCLIFF**

**START UP CAMPAIGNER**

**What to say to voters in a General Election**

A strong message is vital in any campaign, find out how to craft your own message to know what to say to voters in a General Election.

*LDHQ Campaigns and Elections Team*

**Sherborne Suite, MARRIOTT HIGHCLIFF**

**START UP CAMPAIGNER**

**Fundraising to Win**

Fundraising is a cornerstone of campaign success. Learn how to develop your team and create a plan to raise the money you need to win.

*LDHQ Fundraising team*

**Shaftesbury Suite, MARRIOTT HIGHCLIFF**

**ADVANCED CAMPAIGNER**



**TRAINING AND SKILLS SATURDAY AFTERNOON****15.00-16.00 CONT****Voter ID and Election Law - Changes for the next General Election**

The Elections Act 2022 brings in numerous changes that will impact how we organise our elections. The rolling introduction of the statutory instruments means these are changing on a monthly basis. Find out the most recent update.

*LDHQ Compliance Team*

**Blandford Room, MARRIOTT HIGHCLIFF****START UP CAMPAIGNER****Returning officer Training - (This is a double session running until 17.30)**

Learn how to run a selection for a parliamentary candidate and help us to get candidates in place as quickly as possible. Attending will enable you to qualify as an Assistant Returning Officer.

*LDHQ Candidates team & ECC*

**Blandford Syndicate 3, MARRIOTT HIGHCLIFF****PARTY ROLES****Be a Councillor - More diverse candidate pools**

Finding new candidates can be difficult. This session looks at ways to find new candidates and to help your pool of candidates look like the communities you are trying to represent.

*ALDC*

**Sandbanks Room, MARRIOTT HIGHCLIFF****LOCAL GOVERNMENT****How data can help bring you success**

When we have accurate data in our campaign it helps us make decisions about our resources and targeting. Come along and learn about how to ensure you're getting the most out of data in your campaigning.

*LDHQ Campaigns and Elections Team*

**Bryanston Suite, MARRIOTT HIGHCLIFF****ADVANCED CAMPAIGNER****TRAINING AND SKILLS SATURDAY LATE AFTERNOON****16.15-17.30****Introduction to Connect**

Join us to learn the basics of how Connect works, what you can use it for, and how to do some basic tasks as well as make sure you comply with the law. This session is ideal for people just starting out using Connect.

*LDHQ Tech Team*

**Branksome Suite, BIC****START UP CAMPAIGNER****Making a positive impact and staying safe on social media (Women only)**

Women candidates need to create a strong and positive image on social media. Hear about ways to avoid potential elephant traps and manage tricky online situations.

*Campaign for Gender Balance*

**Durley Suite, BIC****CANDIDATES****Creating a winning plan for the General Election - Moving Forward**

This session is for anyone in a Moving Forward seat - Campaign planning is more than just which leaflets you deliver each month. Learn from our campaigning experts on how best to plan your year-round campaign.

*LDHQ Campaigns and Elections Team*

**Dorchester South, MARRIOTT HIGHCLIFF****Tackling your main opposition in a General Election**

Every seat needs messages designed to win the votes of their main opposition voters. Find out how our experts do this, and why winning this switch vote needs to become a priority for all campaigns.

*LDHQ Campaigns and Elections Team*

**Dorchester North, MARRIOTT HIGHCLIFF****START UP CAMPAIGNER**

## TRAINING AND SKILLS SATURDAY LATE AFTERNOON 16.15-17.30 CONT

### Win with Overseas Voters!

An estimated 2 million Britons living overseas have regained their right to vote in the UK as a result of the Elections Act. Join campaigners from LibDems Abroad and colleagues from across the Party to hear about plans to encourage these potential supporters to help your campaigns to win at the next General Election.

*Lib Dems Abroad*

**Sherborne Suite, MARRIOTT HIGHCLIFF**

### How we are building a campaign in Mid Beds

Over the summer the Campaigns team have been helping the local party build and prepare for a by-election. Come along and hear from the team how they are doing this and how it can happen in your seat too!

*LDHQ Campaigns and Elections Team*

**Shaftesbury Suite, MARRIOTT HIGHCLIFF**

**START UP CAMPAIGNER**

### Data Protection - How to keep on the right side on the law

Are you going to use any data in your campaign? Come and find out what you can and can't do – with practical examples.

*LDHQ Compliance Team*

**Blandford Room, MARRIOTT HIGHCLIFF**

**START UP CAMPAIGNER**

### ALDC Artworker

ALDC Artworker is a great tool to help Lib Dem campaigners create leaflets and direct mail online. Come and find out more!

*ALDC*

**Sandbanks Room, MARRIOTT HIGHCLIFF**

**START UP CAMPAIGNER**

## TRAINING AND SKILLS SATURDAY LATE AFTERNOON 16.15-17.30 CONT

### Holding your Council seat on the same day as a General Election

There is a possibility that the General Election will be on the same day as the Local Elections. In this session the LDHQ Campaigns and Election team will help you with the planning needed to run a fully integrated campaign  
*LDHQ Campaigns and Elections Team*

**Bryanston Suite, MARRIOTT HIGHCLIFF**

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT**

### Q&A sessions

There will be a series of Q&A sessions during conference where you can ask questions of our spokespeople. All sessions take place in the BIC. See *Conference Extra* and *Daily* for details.

### Conference Extra

will be available online in the week running up to conference, at:  
[www.libdems.org.uk/conference\\_papers](http://www.libdems.org.uk/conference_papers)

# Whisky Tasting

With Alistair Carmichael MP

A unique opportunity to taste, discuss and learn a bit about malt whisky in a friendly and relaxed environment.

**Tickets: £40 (numbers limited)**

**Book tickets by contacting [libdemfow@gmail.com](mailto:libdemfow@gmail.com)**

**Proceeds to support campaigning in Orkney and Shetland**

**22.00 - 00.00, Sunday 24 September @**

**Bryanston Suite, Highcliff Marriott Hotel, Bournemouth**



## Sunday 24th September

### FRINGE SUNDAY EARLY MORNING 08.00-09.00

#### Quiet Reflection

#### *Psychological Flexibility: How love turns pain into purpose*

Facilitator Jane Reed Experienced meditation group facilitator and training as a CBT therapist. Libdem Supporter. Through silent meditation, contemplation and group discussion we will explore acceptance and Commitment Therapy and our own core values and how these affect our political motivation.

Marriott, Sandbanks Room

### FRINGE SUNDAY MORNING 09.00-10.00

#### Party Body Forum

#### INVITE ONLY

Join us for a networking event for members who are involved in running a party body or affiliated organisation of the Party.

Marriott, Blandford Room

### FRINGE SUNDAY LUNCHTIME 13.00-14.00

#### Planning Futures and The Vistry Group *Delivering Development in Partnership*

As many local authorities are now exploring how to be more proactive in place making, this expert panel event will explore how local authorities & developers can work together to drive positive local development.

[www.planningfutures.org](http://www.planningfutures.org)

[www.vistrygroup.co.uk](http://www.vistrygroup.co.uk)

[www.twitter.com/PFpolicy](https://www.twitter.com/PFpolicy)

Bournemouth International Centre, Avon Room



### FRINGE SUNDAY LUNCHTIME 13.00-14.00 CONT.

#### Green Alliance x Wildlife & Countryside Link x RSPB

#### *Green prosperity: unlocking the benefits of nature friendly farming*

Farming sustainably is essential to tackling the environmental crisis and to delivering a financially secure future for farmers. With the LibDems pledging an extra £1bn for agriculture, we will explore how this can deliver towards net zero and rural prosperity.

[www.green-alliance.org.uk](http://www.green-alliance.org.uk)

[www.twitter.com/GreenAllianceUK](https://www.twitter.com/GreenAllianceUK)

Bournemouth International Centre, Bayview Suite 1



#### A coalition of cancer charities with an interest in screening *Cancer screening: Improving public health, tackling inequalities, and saving lives from cancer*

Join the debate with policy makers and leading cancer charities as we discuss the role of cancer screening in improving public health and how we can work together to use screening to tackle inequalities in the community and save more lives. Speakers from Breast Cancer Now, Prostate Cancer UK, Jo's Cervical Cancer Trust and Roy Castle Lung Cancer Foundation.

Bournemouth International Centre, Bayview Suite 2



#### Green Liberal Democrats *Alternative Sunday Lunch*

Come and mingle with our current and future GLD Parliamentarians: Wera Hobhouse MP; Rising Stars: Sarah Dyke MP, Pippa Heylings, Zoe Franklin. (Invited: Baronesses Walmsley and Parminter; Lords Stunell and Oates)

Bournemouth International Centre, Bourne Lounge



#### National House Building Council (NHBC)

#### *Building the future: Delivering net zero homes*

Housing Spokesperson, Helen Morgan MP, and a panel of high-profile speakers from across the housing sector take an in-depth look at policy solutions to tackle the housing crisis while delivering high-quality and sustainable new homes.

[www.nhbc.co.uk](http://www.nhbc.co.uk)

[www.twitter.com/nhbc](https://www.twitter.com/nhbc)

Bournemouth International Centre, Branksome Suite



**FRINGE SUNDAY LUNCHTIME 13.00-14.00 CONT.****LGA Liberal Democrat Group and ALDC*****Regenerating our town centres and high streets***

A panel of speakers from Lib Dem Councils share best practice on how to breathe new life into our town centres and our high streets.

**Bournemouth International Centre, Meyrick Suite**

**Layla Moran introducing: Kira Rudik and John Sweeney in conversation**  
***Kira Rudik (Leader of Ukrainian Holos Party, ALDE Vice President) and John Sweeney (investigative journalist) in conversation about the Ukrainian War.***

Kira Rudik is the leader of our sister party in the Ukrainian parliament, Holos, and ALDE Vice President. John Sweeney is an investigative journalist who has been reporting live from Ukraine and has written extensively on Vladimir Putin and Russia.

**Bournemouth International Centre, Tregonwell Hall****Electoral Reform Society*****Campaigning for Proportional Representation: Lessons from around the world***

From New Zealand to America, what we can learn from successful campaigns to reform the electoral system. Darren Hughes, Chief Executive of the Electoral Reform Society, in conversation with founding President and CEO of Fair Vote USA, Rob Richie.

[www.electoralreform.org.uk](http://www.electoralreform.org.uk)      [www.twitter.com/electoralreform](https://www.twitter.com/electoralreform)

**Bournemouth International Centre, Westbourne Suite****Humanist and Secularist Liberal Democrats*****Your Life, Your Death***

Join HSLD and Christine Jardine MP for a panel discussion on the liberal case for assisted dying, with Dr Henry Marsh, retired Neurosurgeon and author, and Graham Winyard from My Death, My Decision, Humanists UK's Andrew Copson and Baroness Brinton.

**Marriott, Blandford Room****FRINGE SUNDAY LUNCHTIME 13.00-14.00 CONT.****Social Liberal Forum*****With the JS Mill Institute: What is this thing we call Liberalism?***

Who are we? What's the point of the Liberal Democrats?

Putting liberal democracy at the heart of the Liberal Democrats.

Gordon Lishman, Alan Butt Philip and guests lead discussion on Social Liberalism to achieve freedom from ignorance, poverty and conformity.

**Marriott, Dorchester North****National Education Union*****Not enough teachers: how to fix education's recruitment and retention crisis?***

40,000 teachers left the profession last year – a staggering 9% of the whole teaching workforce. Parents and pupils see first-hand the effect that this has every day across the country. Join the National Education Union to discuss how to fix the recruitment and retention crisis in our schools and deliver the best possible education for our children.

[www.neu.org.uk](http://www.neu.org.uk)      [www.twitter.com/NEUnion](https://www.twitter.com/NEUnion)

**Marriott, Dorchester South****Liberal Democrats for Seekers of Sanctuary (LD4SOS)*****Annual General Meeting and Open Forum - have your say***

After the AGM business, the Open Forum will discuss what you see as the pressing issues faced by asylum seekers in the UK and how Liberal Democrats can respond individually, with others and collectively in our Party.

[www.ld4sos.org.uk](http://www.ld4sos.org.uk)      [www.twitter.com/ld4sos](https://www.twitter.com/ld4sos)

**Marriott, Sandbanks Room**



**FRINGE SUNDAY LUNCHTIME 13.00-14.00 CONT.****Lib Dem HQ and Liberal Software  
Technology for the General Election**

Introduced by Mark Pack. Hear the inside story of how HQ staff and volunteers are building software to help us win more seats in the next general election. Speakers are Fred Fisher and Alisha Lewis.

[www.liberalsoftware.org](http://www.liberalsoftware.org)

**Marriott, Shaftesbury Suite**

**ALDC****Supporting Grassroots Football**

The Fair Game organisation join ALDC to talk about reforming football in the UK, how we can support our football teams as local assets and how we can develop grassroots football in our communities. With special guests.

**Marriott, Sherborne Suite**

**Liberal Democrat Friends of Israel****Peace through prosperity. How to make a economically viable Palestinian State?**

LDFI Hon Chair, Gavin Stollar in conversation with Tim Farron MP and Portland Trust CEO, Baron Frankal. The Portland Trust is a British NGO, that promotes peace between Israel and the Palestinians through economic development. They support the Palestinian private sector and relieving poverty in Israel. Join LDFI to explore if an economically prosperous Palestine could be a key to unlocking peace in the Middle East.

**Hermitage Hotel, Clifton Suite**

**Compass****Compass panel - how do progressives Win As One? W/ Vince Cable + others.**

This event is for every Liberal Democrat who wants to change the structure and culture of our politics, starting with PR. Speakers will touch on everything from the practicalities of coalition-building to the ideas around which all progressives can coalesce.

[www.compassonline.org.uk](http://www.compassonline.org.uk) [www.twitter.com/CompassOffice](https://www.twitter.com/CompassOffice)

**Hilton Hotel, Rule-Balance Room**

**FRINGE SUNDAY EARLY EVENING 18.15-19.15****National Trust, RSPB, WWF (Save Our Wild Isles Coalition)  
What's the Lib Dem's plan to Save our Wild Isles?**

UK nature is beautiful - but it's also in crisis. We're living in one of the most nature-depleted countries in the world. Join sector experts and leading party figures to debate how the Lib Dems can lead in turning this around.

[www.nationaltrust.org.uk](http://www.nationaltrust.org.uk)

[www.twitter.com/ntextaffairs](https://www.twitter.com/ntextaffairs)

**Bournemouth International Centre, Bayview Suite 1**

**Shelter****Reception: 17.5m people affected by the housing emergency - a manifesto for change**

Sky high rents. A lack of social housing. 127,000 children in temporary accommodation - it's time for change! Join Shelter to hear what must be done to end the housing emergency. With Helen Morgan, Spokesperson for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities.

[www.england.shelter.org.uk](http://www.england.shelter.org.uk)

[www.twitter.com/Shelter](https://www.twitter.com/Shelter)

**Bournemouth International Centre, Bayview Suite 2**

**The Greek and Cypriot Liberal Democratic Community****Can the ordinary man in the street be defended by experienced lawyers?**

The meeting will explain the problems of the members of public in not being able to proceed at the court because of the enormous costs of barristers and solicitors. There is no legal aid of any significance. Could we turn the barrister's profession in to direct access completely - avoiding the solicitor? And in doing so adopt the European single lawyer system.

**Bournemouth International Centre, Durley Suite**



**FRINGE SUNDAY EARLY EVENING 18.15-19.15 CONT.**

**Liberal Democrats for Electoral Reform, with Unlock Democracy and Make Votes Matter**  
***Clean Up Our Politics. Restore Our Democracy***

Sleaze scandals bursting out from the corridors of power; MPs second jobs and big money funding; absolute power for governments despite winning far less than half the votes – no wonder people decide their votes are wasted. What's the reform agenda?

[www.twitter.com/LibDem4ER](http://www.twitter.com/LibDem4ER)

**Bournemouth International Centre, Meyrick Suite**



**Green Liberal Democrats**  
***Rewilding at Knepp***

Listen to Isabella Tree tell the fascinating story of the rewilding of the 3,500 acre Knepp estate and the recovery of biodiversity. Q&A Panel Cllr Pippa Heylings and Richard Benwell.

**Bournemouth International Centre, Tregonwell Hall**

**ALDC**  
***Getting more women elected to Local Government***

Elect Her join ALDC to talk about how the Liberal Democrats can get more women elected to local Government. Find out about the support you can access to help you win and the help ALDC and Elect Her can provide.

**Bournemouth International Centre, Westbourne Suite**

**LGBT+ Liberal Democrats**  
***Not Going Back in the Care Closet!!***

There are increasing numbers of Older and Disabled LGBT+ people needing social care services but LGBT-phobia and lack of training makes them more vulnerable to abuse. Join us, LDDA and guests to explore the issues and share best practice.

[www.lgbt.libdems.org.uk](http://www.lgbt.libdems.org.uk)      [www.twitter.com/LGBTLD](http://www.twitter.com/LGBTLD)

**Marriott, Blandford Room**

**FRINGE SUNDAY EARLY EVENING 18.15-19.15 CONT.**

**Merton Liberal Democrats**  
***Mad Dogs & Englishman - Restorative Justice; a narrative account.***

The commission, reporting and prosecution of crime often relegates victims to the margins. Wimbledon PPC, Cllr Paul Kohler, discusses how Restorative Justice can restore them to the heart of the justice process and its role in his journey into politics.

**Marriott, Blandford Syndicate 3**

**Liberal Democrat Peers**  
***Peers All Ears!***

Your chance to meet Liberal Democrat Peers! Come along to hear more about the work of the group in the Lords and to talk with them about issues that matter to you in an informal setting. Conference first-timers particularly welcome!

**Marriott, Dorchester North**



**People's Postcode Lottery**  
***Scottish Liberal Democrat Reception Hosted by People's Postcode Lottery***

Join People's Postcode Lottery and leading Scottish Liberal Democrat politicians for a reception where we will celebrate the £1.1 billion raised by players for good causes across the world. All are welcome to attend and refreshments will be provided.

[www.postcode lottery.info](http://www.postcode lottery.info)      [www.twitter.com/PPLPubAffairs](http://www.twitter.com/PPLPubAffairs)

**Marriott, Dorchester South**



**Lib Dem Education Association**  
***LDEA Councillor Conversation with Munira Wilson - open invitation, but focused on Councillors***

The Liberal Democrat Education Association invite you to a social event for Councillors with a focus on Children's Services and leaders in education to exchange views and discuss the challenges for children and young people in the run up to the General Election.

**Marriott, Sandbanks Room**



**FRINGE SUNDAY EARLY EVENING 18.15-19.15 CONT.****Liberal International British Group**  
*The Future of China-UK Relations*

A damning report on the UK's response to Chinese interference - where do we go from here? What is our policy on China? Join us for a discussion with Lord Purvis and an international panel.

**Marriott, Shaftesbury Suite**

**Solicitors Regulation Authority (SRA)***Ethics, trust and building confidence in legal services*

With Alistair Carmichael MP. Ethics, trust and the rule of law are fundamental facets of the legal system. Whether it's strategic lawsuits that stifle free speech, sanctions, or money laundering, law firms are increasingly under the spotlight. What impact is this having on public confidence in legal services and access to justice? What more can/should government and regulators do?

[www.sra.org.uk](http://www.sra.org.uk) [www.twitter.com/sra\\_solicitors](https://www.twitter.com/sra_solicitors)

**Marriott, Sherborne Suite**

**FRINGE SUNDAY MID EVENING 19.45-21.00****LGA Liberal Democrat Group and ALDC**  
*The Local Government Reception*

The local government reception returns to the autumn conference! All friends of local government welcome. With Councillor Joe Harris and Ed Davey MP (invited).

**Bournemouth International Centre, Bayview Suite**

**Liberal Democrat Christian Forum**  
*Disagreeing Well*

How can we encourage ongoing, respectful debate where diverse opinions exist?

**Bournemouth International Centre, Branksome Suite**

**FRINGE SUNDAY MID EVENING 19.45-21.00 CONT.****Sustain and River Action***How the Liberal Democrats can save our rivers*

Dive into the mission to rescue Britain's rivers! Waste from intensive livestock units is a key source of river pollution, which will be a door step issue next year. Now is the time to find innovative local and national solutions!

[www.sustainweb.org](http://www.sustainweb.org) [www.twitter.com/UKSustain](https://www.twitter.com/UKSustain)  
[www.facebook.com/UKSustain](https://www.facebook.com/UKSustain) [www.riveractionuk.com](https://www.riveractionuk.com)  
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**Bournemouth International Centre, Durley Suite**

**Liberal Democrats for Universal Basic Income and the Radical Association***How a UBI Could Make Britain More Liberal*

Join Welsh Lib Dem Leader Jane Dodds and others to discuss how Universal Basic Income could play a core role in Britain's future and why the Liberal Democrats should make it a key part of our offer to the country.

**Bournemouth International Centre, Meyrick Suite**

**Solicitors Regulation Authority (SRA)***SRA annual conference reception with Rights Liberties Justice (RLJ)*

Join us for our annual conference gathering, joined by Rights Liberties Justice (RLJ). Meet with us over drinks and canapes to hear about our work and chat about developments in legal services. Will immediately follow on from our earlier fringe.

[www.sra.org.uk](http://www.sra.org.uk) [www.twitter.com/sra\\_solicitors](https://www.twitter.com/sra_solicitors)

**Marriott, Sherborne Suite**

**Liberal Democrats in Communications Group**  
*Party Conference reception***INVITE ONLY**

Join the Lib Dem in Comms Group annual Party Conference drinks reception. It all starts at 19.45 on Sunday 24th Sept, Shaftesbury Suite, Highcliff Marriott Hotel. Special guest to be announced. Invitation only.

[www.twitter.com/LibDemsinComms](https://www.twitter.com/LibDemsinComms)

**Marriott, Shaftesbury Suite**



**FRINGE SUNDAY MID EVENING 19.45-21.00 CONT.****Liberal Democrats (20.00-21.30)****Conference Quiz**

Come along and watch as Alastair Carmichael MP delivers an entertaining night of questions and laughter. Tickets can be purchased (by members only) when registering to attend conference. Additional tickets sold on the door are subject to availability.

**Marriott, Dorchester Suite****FRINGE SUNDAY LATE EVENING 21.30-23.00****Liberal Democrat Friends of Whisky (22.00-00.00)****Whisky Tasting with Alistair Carmichael MP**

A unique opportunity to taste, discuss and learn a bit about malt whisky in a friendly and relaxed environment. Tickets £40 (numbers limited).

**Book tickets by contacting libdemfow@gmail.com****Marriott, Bryanston Suite****London Liberal Democrats****Communiok**

Communiok is back! Come along and belt out your favourite tunes. But there's a twist – the words face the audience and everyone sings along. With special guests throughout the night, this is one not to be missed.

**£10 per ticket.****Marriott, Dorchester Suite****Sunday 24 September****TRAINING AND SKILLS SUNDAY MORNING****09.30-10.45****Digital in Depth: Winning Online**

Find out how to make the most of social media as a top tool in your campaigning arsenal. This is an intermediate session, aimed at people who are comfortable with using Facebook.

*LDHQ Tech Team***Branksome Suite, BIC****ADVANCED CAMPAIGNER****Leadership Skills for Women in Politics (Women only)**

So much of politics requires strong leadership which many women can struggle with. Come along to this session to learn how to improve your leadership skills

*Campaign for Gender Balance***Durley Suite, BIC****CANDIDATES****Using Diversity resources**

If you are a Local Party Diversity Officer or interested in becoming one come along to this session to learn about how to get the most out of available resources.

*LDHQ Diversity Team***Westbourne Suite, BIC****PARTY ROLES****Community campaigning - How to write great direct mail**

Industry still spends billions on direct mail because it works as part of communication and fundraising. We will discuss who you should write to and what a good piece of direct mail looks like.

*ALDC***Dorchester South, MARRIOTT HIGHCLIFF****START UP CAMPAIGNER**



**TRAINING AND SKILLS SUNDAY MORNING 09.30-10.45 CONT****Creating a winning plan for the General Election - Development & Start-Up**

This session is for anyone in a Development or Start Up seats - Campaign planning is more than just which leaflets you deliver each month. Learn from our campaigning experts on how best to plan your General Election campaign.

*LDHQ Campaigns and Elections Team*

**Dorchester North, MARRIOTT HIGHCLIFF**

**Community campaigning - Doorstep campaigns - design, discussion and data**

Talking to voters is key to winning elections but we can't talk to everyone. How should we decide who to talk to, what sorts of conversations should we have and how should we handle the data?

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**Sherborne Suite, MARRIOTT HIGHCLIFF**

**START UP CAMPAIGNER**

**How to fight the Greens in a General Election**

All too often it can feel like we are competing with the Greens for the same voters and this key group of people could make all the difference in a close election. Come along to this session to find out about running campaigns against the Greens

*LDHQ Campaigns and Elections Team*

**Shaftesbury Suite, MARRIOTT HIGHCLIFF**

**ADVANCED CAMPAIGNER**

**Turn the streets gold in a General Election**

The Lib Dem brand is a crucial part of any election campaign and can help us win over many different types of voters and show the strength we have locally. In this session you can learn about the important role that stakeboards play in winning.

*LDHQ Campaigns and Elections Team*

**Sandbanks Room, MARRIOTT HIGHCLIFF**

**START UP CAMPAIGNER**

**TRAINING AND SKILLS SUNDAY MORNING 09.30-10.45 CONT****Advanced seat agent session**

An opportunity for all those who are due to be the election agent in an advanced seat to come along and catch up on any latest changes to election law.

*LDHQ Compliance Team*

**Blandford Syndicate 3, MARRIOTT HIGHCLIFF**

**ADVANCED CAMPAIGNER**

**How data can help bring you success**

When we have accurate data in our campaign it helps us make decisions about our resources and targeting. Come along and learn about how to ensure you're getting the most out of data in your campaigning.

*LDHQ Campaigns and Elections Team*

**Bryanston Suite, MARRIOTT HIGHCLIFF**

**ADVANCED CAMPAIGNER**

**TRAINING AND SKILLS LATE SUNDAY MORNING  
11.00-12.15****Facebook Advertising**

Learn how to get the most out of Facebook advertising and all the tips and tricks you need to run great campaigns.

*LDHQ Tech Team*

**Branksome Suite, BIC**

**ADVANCED CAMPAIGNER**

**Building a brilliant campaign team as a woman candidate (Women only)**

Becoming a success in politics is all about your ability to find and motivate people to support you. The best candidates are the ones who have a strong support network of people around them.

*Campaign for Gender Balance*

**Durley Suite, BIC**

**CANDIDATES**

## TRAINING AND SKILLS SUNDAY LATE MORNING 11.00-12.15 CONT

### Inclusifying Inclusion

In this session we will be taking a deeper look at unconscious bias and inclusive language to make sure we are creating welcoming and diverse environments.

*LDHQ Diversity Team*

**Westbourne Suite, BIC**

**PARTY ROLES**

### Creating a winning plan for the General Election - Moving Forward

This session is for anyone in a Moving Forward seat - Campaign planning is more than just which leaflets you deliver each month. Learn from our campaigning experts on how best to plan your year-round campaign.

*LDHQ Campaigns and Elections Team*

**Dorchester South, MARRIOTT HIGHCLIFF**

### What to say to voters in a General Election

A strong message is vital in any campaign, find out how to craft your own message to know what to say to voters in a General Election.

*LDHQ Campaigns and Elections Team*

**Dorchester North, MARRIOTT HIGHCLIFF**

**START UP CAMPAIGNER**

### Diversity - Writing your local party diversity statement

Before you can start the process of getting a PPC you need to have a diversity statement. We show you how to do this and how to make sure it really is a step towards becoming a more diverse local party.

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**Sherborne Suite, MARRIOTT HIGHCLIFF**

**PARTY ROLES**

## TRAINING AND SKILLS SUNDAY LATE MORNING 11.00-12.15 CONT

### Knocking on the right doors in a General Election

Whether you've been knocking doors for years, or never tried before, what are we trying to achieve, which are the best techniques to use, and how do we make sure the data we collect is reliable especially in the lead up to the General Election?

*LDHQ Campaigns and Elections Team*

**Shaftesbury Suite, MARRIOTT HIGHCLIFF**

**ADVANCED CAMPAIGNER**

### How do you apportion Election Expenses?

Next year, on the same day as the local elections there will be at least Police and Crime Commissioner elections, if not a General Election. One of the topics we are frequently asked about is how to apportion election expenses? Come along and find out how to do it.

*LDHQ Compliance Team*

**Blandford Room, MARRIOTT HIGHCLIFF**

**ADVANCED CAMPAIGNER**

### How we are building a campaign in Mid Beds

Over the summer the Campaigns team have been helping the local party build and prepare for a by-election. Come along and hear from the team how they did this and how it can happen in your seat too!

*LDHQ Campaigns and Elections Team*

**Sandbanks Room, MARRIOTT HIGHCLIFF**

**START UP CAMPAIGNER**

## TRAINING AND SKILLS SUNDAY AFTERNOON 14.30-15.45

### Introduction to Fleet

We've got a brand new web platform that'll make it a doddle to run great online campaigns, raise money and win elections. Join us at this session to find out how it works.

*LDHQ Tech Team*

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**START UP CAMPAIGNER**

## TRAINING AND SKILLS SUNDAY AFTERNOON 14.30-15.45 CONT

### Preparing a winning selection leaflet (Women only)

Identify how to craft a strong message to help you win selection. Look at how to communicate it face to face and in your selection leaflet.

*Campaign for Gender Balance*

**Durley Suite, BIC**

**CANDIDATES**

### Working with young people in your local party

The MPs, Councillors, and campaign masterminds of the future are probably in your local party right now. This Young Liberals session will give you the best tips on helping your young members excel both within the party and their potential future political career.

*Young Liberals*

**Westbourne Suite, BIC**

**START UP CAMPAIGNER**

### Tackling your main opposition in a General Election

Every seat needs messages designed to win the votes of their main opposition voters. Find out how our experts do this, and why winning this switch vote needs to become a priority for all campaigns.

*LDHQ Campaigns and Elections Team*

**Dorchester South, MARRIOTT HIGHCLIFF**

**START UP CAMPAIGNER**

### Building a Local Party standing order campaign

Regular income can help you achieve so much more in your campaigning. Come along and learn how to ask your local members to set up monthly standing orders.

*LDHQ Fundraising team*

**Dorchester North, MARRIOTT HIGHCLIFF**

**ADVANCED CAMPAIGNER**

## TRAINING AND SKILLS SUNDAY AFTERNOON 14.30-15.45 CONT

### Focus on Councillors - Community campaigning

Learn how to identify key people and network with them, how to better understand the local community and use this information in campaigns that engage people.

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**Sherborne Suite, MARRIOTT HIGHCLIFF**

**START UP CAMPAIGNER**

### Win the General Election by winning the tactical argument

One of the crucial elements in getting over the winning line in an election is winning the tactical argument and getting the support of Squeeze voters. Come along to find out what squeeze and the tactical argument are and how can we use them to win?

*LDHQ Campaigns and Elections Team*

**Shaftesbury Suite, MARRIOTT HIGHCLIFF**

**ADVANCED CAMPAIGNER**

### How to make your life easier - Xero, unity and LDHQ

What services does the compliance team provide to make your life easier – not a sales pitch but practical examples.

*LDHQ Compliance Team*

**Blandford Room, MARRIOTT HIGHCLIFF**

**PARTY ROLES**

### How to get the most out of your PCC campaigns

There is a possibility that the General Election will be on the same day as the Police and Crime Commissioner elections. In this session the LDHQ Campaigns and Election team will help you with making sure you are maximising the opportunities this brings

*LDHQ Campaigns and Elections Team*

**Sandbanks Room, MARRIOTT HIGHCLIFF**

**START UP CAMPAIGNER**

## TRAINING AND SKILLS SUNDAY AFTERNOON 14.30-15.45 CONT

### Be a Councillor - You can be a Lib Dem councillor

Want to change the world? Do it from the ground up as a local councillor. come and find out what being a councillor is all about

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### Blandford Syndicate 3, MARRIOTT HIGHCLIFF

*LOCAL GOVERNMENT*

## TRAINING AND SKILLS SUNDAY LATE AFTERNOON 16.15-17.30

### Introduction to Targeted Email

Meet Targeted Email - the party's new bulk email tool, in Connect. Learn how to send your first targeted email and all the tips and tricks you need to run great email marketing campaigns.

*LDHQ Tech Team*

### Branksome Suite, BIC

*START UP CAMPAIGNER*

### Planning your selection campaign (Women only)

A good selection campaign requires a lot of planning. In this session we look at how to make sure your selection campaign covers everything it needs to.

*Campaign for Gender Balance*

### Durley Suite, BIC

*CANDIDATES*

### Ask them to stand - Encouraging young people to stand for office

It's important that those who are elected represent the communities that they serve. Come along to this session to find out how you can ask, encourage and support young people in standing for election.

*Young Liberals*

### Westbourne Suite, BIC

*LOCAL GOVERNMENT*

## TRAINING AND SKILLS SUNDAY LATE AFTERNOON 16.15-17.30 CONT

### Ensuring you have the team you need in a General Election

General Elections are won by building a strong team on the ground able to face any challenge that comes their way. Come along and hear how you can be ensuring your seat has the team it needs for a General Election

*LDHQ Campaigns and Elections Team*

### Dorchester South, MARRIOTT HIGHCLIFF

*START UP CAMPAIGNER*

### Fundraising to Win

Fundraising is a cornerstone of campaign success. Learn how to develop your team and create a plan to raise the money you need to win.

*LDHQ Fundraising team*

### Dorchester North, MARRIOTT HIGHCLIFF

*ADVANCED CAMPAIGNER*

### Community campaigning - Are you local by election ready?

Council by elections give us a great opportunity to win but is your local party ready if one comes along? Find out how you can set yourself up to be first off the blocks when one is called.

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### Sherborne Suite, MARRIOTT HIGHCLIFF

*START UP CAMPAIGNER*

### Running Good High Value Events

With the right planning and preparation you can be running fun and exciting events that help raise a lot of money for your campaign. Come along to hear from those who already do this about how to make it happen.

*LDHQ Campaigns and Elections Team*

### Shaftesbury Suite, MARRIOTT HIGHCLIFF

*ADVANCED CAMPAIGNER*



**TRAINING AND SKILLS SUNDAY LATE AFTERNOON****16.15-17.30 CONT****How we won in 2023**

Celebrating our successes in 2023, and hearing from the teams on how they did it.

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**START UP CAMPAIGNER**

**Ensure your General Election campaign is also a fun campaign**

Election campaigns can be tough but they can also be fun! Come along and learn how to keep people going and get them out campaigning.

LDHQ Campaigns and Elections Team

**Sandbanks Room, MARRIOTT HIGHCLIFF**

**START UP CAMPAIGNER**

**Focus on Councillors - How to be an effective town or parish councillor**

Using a Town or Parish campaign to set out a compelling vision for your local community.

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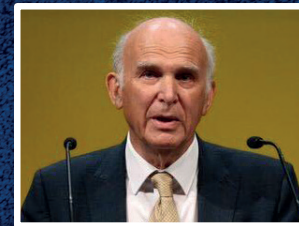


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## Monday 25th September

### FRINGE MONDAY EARLY MORNING 08.00-09.00

**Liberal Democrat Christian Forum**  
**Annual Prayer Breakfast**

Join LDCF for breakfast. Special guests Tearfund who will be updating us on their campaign to end plastic pollution and how we can help.

**Marriott, Bryanston Suite**



**Urban Transport Group (08.00 to 10.30)**

**How do we create sustainably funded transport systems to support thriving places?**

**INVITE ONLY**

Chaired by Councillor Mark Hunter, Stockport Council. For more information or to be added to waiting list contact [saila.acton@urbantransportgroup.org](mailto:saila.acton@urbantransportgroup.org)

[www.urbantransportgroup.org](http://www.urbantransportgroup.org)

[www.twitter.com/UTG\\_UK](https://www.twitter.com/UTG_UK)



**Marriott, Shaftesbury Suite**

**Localis**

**Running out of gas – is it too late to fix local public finances?**

The litany of local government financial failures is only deepening amid increased demand and straitened resources. This debate will ask how do we fix a broken system of local government finance and empower councils to deliver high quality frontline services?

[Localis.org.uk](http://Localis.org.uk)

[www.twitter.com/Localis](https://www.twitter.com/Localis)



**Hilton Hotel, Phoxtrott Room**

### FRINGE MONDAY MID MORNING 11.30-12.30

**IPPR North and the Local Trust**

**What's the future for hyperlocal governance and empowering communities?**

Join IPPR North's Zoë Billingham, Helen Morgan MP, Spokesperson for Local Government, and Jonathan Owen from NALC to discuss the party's vision for building stronger, more empowered communities, improving democratic engagement, and supporting greater civic activity at the local level.

[www.ippr.org](http://www.ippr.org)

[www.twitter.com/IPPR](https://www.twitter.com/IPPR)



**Bournemouth International Centre, Avon Room**

**Tony Blair Institute for Global Change**

**The Voters' Verdict: What's Next for the Future of Britain?**

Sam Sharps, Executive Director, Policy, TBI (Chair) Monica Harding, Director, The Britain Project, and Prospective Parliamentary Candidate for Esher and Walton James Johnson, Co-Founder, JL Partners.

[www.institute.global](http://www.institute.global)

[www.twitter.com/InstituteGC](https://www.twitter.com/InstituteGC)



**Bournemouth International Centre, Bayview Suite 1**

**London Councils**

**Setting our cities free: London's role in the national devolution agenda**

Join us to discuss what's next for the devolution agenda and how London can lead the way. Speakers include Cllr Gareth Roberts, Vice Chair, London Councils, Caroline Pidgeon MBE, London Assembly, Sonika Sidhu, LGA and Akash Paun, Institute for Government.

[www.londoncouncils.gov.uk](http://www.londoncouncils.gov.uk)

[www.twitter.com/londoncouncils](https://www.twitter.com/londoncouncils)



**Bournemouth International Centre, Bayview Suite 2**



**FRINGE MONDAY MID MORNING 11.30-12.30 CONT.****Education Policy Institute & Core Cities UK*****What skills will we need in the UK's urban future?***

This panel will discuss unlocking the potential of UK cities through upskilling the future workforce, considering what skills will be needed for the future; how to build partnerships between education providers and regional employers and drive inclusive, place-based growth.

[www.epi.org.uk](http://www.epi.org.uk)

**Bournemouth International Centre, Branksome Suite**

**Help for Heroes*****Priorities for Veterans at Next General Election***

Join us for an in-depth panel discussion on the top policy priorities for those who served our country with Richard Foord MP, Baroness Smith of Newnham, Angela Kitching, Director of Public Affairs at the Royal British Legion, Carol Betteridge, veteran and Head of HFH's Clinical and Medical Services, and chaired by Beth Miles, HFH's Director of Public Affairs.

[www.helpforheroes.org.uk](http://www.helpforheroes.org.uk)    [www.twitter.com/HelpforHeroes](https://www.twitter.com/HelpforHeroes)

**Bournemouth International Centre, Meyrick Suite**

**National Care Forum and MHA (Methodist Homes)*****Valuing carers: making care a vote winner in the 2024 general election***

Join Daisy Cooper MP (Deputy Leader and Spokesperson for Health and Social Care) and leaders from the not-for-profit social care sector including Sam Monaghan (MHA) and Vic Rayner (National Care Forum) to discuss the future of care.

[www.mha.org.uk](http://www.mha.org.uk)    [www.twitter.com/yourMHA](https://www.twitter.com/yourMHA)

**Bournemouth International Centre, Westbourne Suite**

**FRINGE MONDAY MID MORNING 11.30-12.30 CONT.****LGBT+ Liberal Democrats*****International LGBT+ Rights and Refugees***

LGBT+ rights are under attack in the UK and around the world - join Layla Moran MP and other special guests to look at the situation facing LGBT+ people including refugees internationally and in the UK and how we can help.

[www.lgbt.libdems.org.uk](http://www.lgbt.libdems.org.uk)    [www.twitter.com/LGBTLD](https://www.twitter.com/LGBTLD)

**Marriott, Blandford Room**

**The Nature Conservancy*****Accelerating renewable energy rollout while delivering for communities and nature***

This multi-stakeholder roundtable will consider how to accelerate renewable rollout while benefiting communities and protecting biodiversity. Following opening statements from leaders from industry, policy, and civil society, participants are invited to share views on innovative policy solutions for renewable acceleration.

[www.nature.org](http://www.nature.org)    [www.twitter.com/nature\\_org](https://www.twitter.com/nature_org)

**Marriott, Blandford Syndicate 3**

**Lib Dem Business Network & Centrica*****Achieving Net Zero: the UK's journey to a sustainable future***

Wera Hobhouse MP & Lord Teverson joins spokespeople from British Gas, Barclays and the GMB Union to explore big questions impacting Britain's progress to a greener future. What role will technology play in decarbonising homes, businesses and vehicles? How do we ensure a just transition that supports long-term, good quality jobs? What must government do to overcome today's challenges & seize green opportunities?

**Marriott, Dorchester North**





**FRINGE MONDAY MID MORNING 11.30-12.30 CONT.**

#ForThe100

***Duty of Care in Higher Education***

How universities failed our kids and they are still failing yours. Why we need a new law to save students' lives and improve their well-being whilst at university.

[www.forthethe100.org.uk](http://www.forthethe100.org.uk) [www.instagram.com/forthe100](https://www.instagram.com/forthe100)

**Marriott, Dorchester South**

**Sustain and Nature Friendly Farming Network*****How to balance food production with delivery on environmental goals***

Debates on national food security are intensifying. How do we balance food production with meeting our ambitious goals on climate and nature? What support do farmers need to transition to farming that is kinder to people and the planet?

[www.sustainweb.org](http://www.sustainweb.org)

[www.twitter.com/UKSustain](https://www.twitter.com/UKSustain)

[www.nffn.org.uk](http://www.nffn.org.uk)

[www.twitter.com/NFFNUK](https://www.twitter.com/NFFNUK)



**Marriott, Sandbanks Room**

**Green Alliance*****Warm this Winter: Responding to the Energy Crisis***

If we act now to roll out renewables and insulate our leaky homes, we can protect millions from fuel poverty, bring down inflation and tackle climate change. Join us to explore a Lib Dem response to the energy crisis.

[www.green-alliance.org.uk](http://www.green-alliance.org.uk)

[www.twitter.com/GreenAllianceUK](https://www.twitter.com/GreenAllianceUK)

**Marriott, Sherborne Suite**

**Social Market Foundation*****Education: the new dividing line in British politics?***

Featuring new research on why graduates and school leavers want different things from politics, and what this may mean in the next general election and beyond. Speakers: Prof. Rob Ford, Miranda Green (The FT) and leading Liberal Democrat politicians.

[www.smf.co.uk](http://www.smf.co.uk)

[www.twitter.com/SMFthinktank](https://www.twitter.com/SMFthinktank)



**Hilton Hotel, Rule & Centrefold**

**FRINGE MONDAY LUNCHTIME 13.00-14.00****NASUWT The Teachers' Union*****What should be in the Liberal Democrat manifesto for schools and teachers?***

With a recruitment and retention crisis in our schools driven by workload and pay degradation, an education system facing challenges including funding, pupil behaviour and an accountability system in need of reform, what should be in the Liberal Democrat manifesto?

[www.nasuwat.org.uk](http://www.nasuwat.org.uk)

[www.twitter.com/NASUWT](https://www.twitter.com/NASUWT)

**Bournemouth International Centre, Avon Room**

**National Engineering Policy Centre*****Road to 2050: How Engineering Can Get The UK to Net Zero***

The UK has pledged to reach net zero carbon emissions by 2050, but many claim the country is falling behind in its ambitions. Join the National Engineering Policy Centre to discover the vital role engineering plays in addressing climate change.

**Bournemouth International Centre, Bayview Suite 1**

**Rail Partners, Railway Industry Association and High Speed Rail Group**  
***Rail as an engine of green growth: a public-private partnership or nationalisation?***

Join us to hear about the reforms needed to unlock rail as an engine of green growth. Featuring Andy Bagnall (Rail Partners), Norman Baker (Campaign for Better Transport), Baroness Randerson (Lords Spokesperson for Transport) and Jools Townsend (Community Rail Network).

[www.totalpolitics.com](http://www.totalpolitics.com)

**Bournemouth International Centre, Bayview Suite 2**



**FRINGE MONDAY LUNCHTIME 13.00-14.00 CONT.****Education Policy Institute & AQA*****Beyond English and maths: literacy and numeracy as fundamental life skills***

Literacy and numeracy are key foundations to navigate life, from reading medical information to understanding finances. Given their significance and the recent policy focus, this timely panel will consider how education policy can improve outcomes for all and tackle inequalities.

[www.epi.org.uk](http://www.epi.org.uk)

**Bournemouth International Centre, Branksome Suite**

**Keep Britain Tidy*****Defusing the environmental timebomb***

Climate change, environmental injustice and inequality, water pollution and biodiversity loss - symptoms of a broken waste and resources system that isn't working for people or industry. Hear from businesses, charities and politicians about the steps we must take now.

[www.keepbritaintidy.org](http://www.keepbritaintidy.org)

[www.twitter.com/keepbritaintidy](https://www.twitter.com/keepbritaintidy)

**Bournemouth International Centre, Durley Suite**

**LGA Liberal Democrat Group and ALDC*****Council Housing Revival!***

Come and hear good examples of Liberal Democrat Councils are investing in new council and housing association houses. Speakers include Helen Morgan MP and Cllr Darren Sanders, Portsmouth City Council.

[www.local.gov.uk/lga-lib-dem-group](http://www.local.gov.uk/lga-lib-dem-group)

[www.twitter.com/libdemlocalgov](https://www.twitter.com/libdemlocalgov)

**Bournemouth International Centre, Meyrick Suite**

**IPPR Commission on Health and Prosperity*****How does health drive prosperity?***

We will be joined by Daisy Cooper MP, Deputy Leader of the Liberal Democrats and Spokesperson for Health & Social Care to discuss the role of healthy policy in boosting economic prosperity and how we can improve the nation's health.

[www.ippr.org](http://www.ippr.org)

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**Bournemouth International Centre, Westbourne Suite**

**FRINGE MONDAY LUNCHTIME 13.00-14.00 CONT.****Liberal Democrat Women*****Is international liberalism dying? Persuading the world that the future is liberal.***

In the wake of the attack on human rights across the globe - impacting women, LGBT+ and minority groups - how do we promote liberalism? Join an international panel chaired by Lib Dem Women President Christine Jardine MP.

[www.libdemwomen.org.uk](http://www.libdemwomen.org.uk)

[www.twitter.com/LibDemWomen](https://www.twitter.com/LibDemWomen)

**Marriott, Blandford Room**

**Best for Britain*****Europeanism in Lib Dem DNA - should it stand for Do Not Acknowledge?***

Join Naomi Smith, Sir Vince Cable, Cllr Edna Murphy and Baroness Sarah Ludford to discuss whether Charles Kennedy's warning to the Lib Dems still holds true - that while pro-Europeanism is in the party's DNA, for too long it has stood for 'Do Not Acknowledge'. Is being pro-EU membership a vote winner or a vote loser? Come and have your say.

[www.bestforbritain.org](http://www.bestforbritain.org)

[www.twitter.com/BestForBritain](https://www.twitter.com/BestForBritain)

**Marriott, Blandford Syndicate 3**

**His Majesty's Government of Gibraltar*****His Majesty's Government of Gibraltar, Reception*****INVITE ONLY**

Speaker: Deputy Chief Minister, The Hon Dr Joseph Garcia CMG MP.

**Marriott, Dorchester North**

**VoiceAbility*****Locked away no more!***

Over 2000 people with a learning disability and autistic people are locked up in our psychiatric hospitals. How do we prevent people being detained in places like Winterbourne View? Speakers include: Baroness Barker, Jeremy (Bethany's dad), Jonathan Senker (CEO, VoiceAbility).

[www.voiceability.org](http://www.voiceability.org)

[www.twitter.com/VoiceAbility](https://www.twitter.com/VoiceAbility)

**Marriott, Sandbanks Room**



**FRINGE MONDAY LUNCHTIME 13.00-14.00 CONT.****Local Authority Pension Fund Forum**  
*How can we put an end to greenwashing?*

Chair, Gideon Amos OBE, PPC for Taunton Deane Lord Teverson, Lib Dems Lords Spokesperson Energy and Climate Change Cllr Doug McMurdo, Chair, Local Authority Pension Fund Forum Cllr Keith Melton, Chair, Green Lib Dems Kate Norgrove, WWF-UK (invited)

**Marriott, Shaftesbury Suite****The Duke of Edinburgh's Award; National Youth Agency**  
*Helping young people to succeed – the value of youth work and enrichment*

This panel event is an opportunity to hear from youth work and enrichment organisations, as well as local government, parliamentarians, and young people, on how the youth sector can work together to improve young people's life chances through informal education.

[www.dofe.org](http://www.dofe.org)[www.twitter.com/DofE](https://www.twitter.com/DofE)[www.nya.org.uk](http://www.nya.org.uk)[www.twitter.com/natyouthagency](https://www.twitter.com/natyouthagency)**Marriott, Sherborne Suite****The Angling Trust & The British Association for Shooting and Conservation***The Rural Reception*

Join MPs and those with an interest in rural Britain, The Angling Trust and The British Association for Shooting and Conservation for the Rural Reception. Enjoy a buffet lunch and discuss the issues affecting rural areas, angling, shooting and conservation.

[www.basc.org.uk](http://www.basc.org.uk)[www.twitter.com/BASCnews](https://www.twitter.com/BASCnews)**Hermitage Hotel, Hardy Suite****FRINGE MONDAY LUNCHTIME 13.00-14.00 CONT.****Social Market Foundation with Power to Change and The Young Foundation***A community-led net zero: how can we ensure a people-powered transition?*

Event hosted by the SMF, Power to Change and The Young Foundation's Institute for Community Studies. Speakers include Wera Hobhouse MP, Hina Bokhari AM, Helen Goulden OBE (The Young Foundation) and Will Walker (Power to Change).

[www.smf.co.uk](http://www.smf.co.uk)[www.twitter.com/SMFthinktank](https://www.twitter.com/SMFthinktank)**Hilton Hotel, Rule & Centrefold****FRINGE MONDAY EARLY EVENING 18.15-19.15****Rights-Liberties-Justice***Law & Liberalism: Finding Britain's place in the world*

Join Lib Dem Lawyers and leaders of the legal professions to discuss advancing rule of law, internationalism, justice & trade in legal services. James Sandbach (Chair), Richard Atkinson (LawSociety), Nick Vineall KC (BarCouncil), Sarah Green & Alistair Carmichael MPs (invited).

[www.rights-liberties-justice.uk](http://www.rights-liberties-justice.uk) [www.twitter.com/libdemlawyers](https://www.twitter.com/libdemlawyers)**Bournemouth International Centre, Avon Room****Education Policy Institute & Independent Schools Council***How can independent and state schools collaborate to improve outcomes for all?*

Schools are facing many challenges, including continued pandemic effects and rising poverty. With the future of independent schools in the spotlight, this panel will consider how partnerships between state and independent schools could tackle challenges and improve outcomes for all.

**Bournemouth International Centre, Bayview Suite 1**

**FRINGE MONDAY EARLY EVENING 18.15-19.15 CONT.****Utilita Energy*****Exploding the myths around smart pre-pay energy***

Utilita CEO Bill Bullen and his team explaining why the big energy issue is affordability, with at least nine million UK households suffering – and why modern smart technology and data insights will help ensure vulnerable consumers stay warm this winter.

[www.utilita.co.uk](http://www.utilita.co.uk)

[www.twitter.com/UtilitaEnergy](https://www.twitter.com/UtilitaEnergy)

**Bournemouth International Centre, Bayview Suite 2**

**Pregnant Then Screwed*****How to End the Motherhood Penalty***

Pregnant Then Screwed invite you to a lively panel discussion followed by Q&A on the things that parents need to see from the next government. We'll be digging into everything from parental leave reform to childcare and flexible working to access to justice following pregnancy and maternity discrimination. With panellists Munira Wilson, DaddiLife and The Early Education and Childcare Coalition

[www.pregnantthenscrewed.com](http://www.pregnantthenscrewed.com)

[www.twitter.com/PregnantScrewed](https://www.twitter.com/PregnantScrewed)

**Bournemouth International Centre, Branksome Suite**

**Shaw Trust*****Innovation in children's care - place-based solutions in Somerset***

Join Shaw Trust for a panel discussion with our special guest speakers. We'll be looking at the ten-year innovation partnership Shaw Trust has with Liberal Democrat-controlled Somerset County Council, which delivers an integrated and transformative approach to children's care.

[www.shawtrust.org.uk](http://www.shawtrust.org.uk)

**Bournemouth International Centre, Durley Suite**

**FRINGE MONDAY EARLY EVENING 18.15-19.15 CONT.****IPPR*****What's the policy agenda needed to break the 'blue-wall'?***

Join IPPR's Carys Roberts and the Rt Hon Sir Ed Davey MP, Miranda Green from the FT, and Mark Pack, President of the Liberal Democrats, to discuss how the party intends to gain votes from the "blue wall".

[www.ippr.org](http://www.ippr.org)

[www.twitter.com/IPPR](https://www.twitter.com/IPPR)

**Bournemouth International Centre, Meyrick Suite**

**IPPR and Independent Age*****A fair retirement: Addressing pensioner poverty***

We will be joined by Wendy Chamberlain MP, Chief Whip and Spokesperson for Work & Pensions to explore policies that can reduce poverty amongst pensioners and ensure that everyone is able to enjoy a decent standard of living in retirement.

[www.ippr.org](http://www.ippr.org)

[www.twitter.com/IPPR](https://www.twitter.com/IPPR)

**Bournemouth International Centre, Westbourne Suite**

**NFU*****NFU's Farming Reception***

Join local farmers to discuss the Liberal Democrat's plan to champion British agriculture. Speakers: Liberal Democrat Leader, Sir Ed Davey MP, Liberal Democrat Defra Spokesperson and MP for Westmorland and Lonsdale, Tim Farron MP, NFU Vice President, David Exwood.

**Marriott, Bryanston Suite**

**EU Delegation to the United Kingdom*****EU Reception with Ambassador Serrano*****INVITE ONLY**

EU Reception hosted by H.E. Pedro Serrano, EU Ambassador Speakers: Layla Moran, Foreign Affairs Spokesperson (invited) For information and to register please email: DELEGATION-UNITED-KINGDOM-POLITICAL@eeas.europa.eu

[www.eeas.europa.eu/united-kingdom](http://www.eeas.europa.eu/united-kingdom)

[www.twitter.com/EUdelegationUK](https://www.twitter.com/EUdelegationUK)

**Marriott, Dorchester South**





**FRINGE MONDAY EARLY EVENING 18.15-19.15 CONT.****Bright Blue and Chevron UK*****Can and should fossil fuel companies play a role in decarbonisation?***

The necessary shift to net zero requires substantial investment and technological change to enable people to live in a much greener way. In this event we debate whether fossil fuel companies can play a positive role in deeper decarbonisation.

[www.brightblue.org.uk](http://www.brightblue.org.uk)

[www.twitter.com/WeAreBrightBlue](https://www.twitter.com/WeAreBrightBlue)

**Marriott, Sandbanks Room**

**Demos & Fair4All Finance*****In Conversation with Sir Ed Davey: Compassion; Community and Fairness***

Join us for an In Conversation Event with Sir Ed Davey and CEO of Fair4All Finance, Sacha Romanovitch, chaired by Chief Executive of Demos, Polly Curtis, to discuss how the Liberal Democrats can take forward their values of compassion, community and fairness into the next election to help the most vulnerable in our society.

**Marriott, Shaftesbury Suite**

**European Movement UK*****Reversing the calamity of Brexit: Restoring market access***

European Movement Vice-President, former Liberal Democrat leader and Business Secretary Vince Cable and panel discuss how UK businesses have been impacted by Brexit. A chance to hear the result of the European Movement's survey of businesses impacted by Brexit.

[www.europeanmovement.co.uk](http://www.europeanmovement.co.uk)

[www.twitter.com/euomove](https://www.twitter.com/euomove)

**Marriott, Sherborne Suite**

**FRINGE MONDAY MID EVENING 19.45-21.00****The HALO Trust*****Reception with The HALO Trust***

Drinks Reception with The HALO Trust. The HALO Trust is the world's leading humanitarian organisation working to save lives and restore the livelihoods of people affected by conflict, employing 12,000 women and men in 30 countries impacted by conflict.

**Marriott, Blandford Room**

**Green Liberal Democrats (20.15 to 21.30)*****Liberal Democrat Challenge - How do we convert our local success to the national stage?***

Panel Wera Hobhouse MP, Sarah Dyke MP, Cllr Pippa Heylings, Cllr Louise Harris.

**Marriott, Bryanston Suite**

**iNHouse Communications (19.45 to 21.15)*****Parliamentary Candidates Reception, in partnership with iNHouse Communications*****INVITE ONLY**

iNHouse Communications is delighted to partner with the Liberal Democrats to host the parliamentary candidates reception. Join us for drinks and hear from Liberal Democrat leadership, MPs, speak to businesses, and connect with campaigns from across the country.

[www.inhouse.london](http://www.inhouse.london) [www.twitter.com/iNHouseComms](https://www.twitter.com/iNHouseComms)

**Marriott, Dorchester North**

**The ALDE Party*****International Reception*****INVITE ONLY**

Hosted by the Alliance of Liberals and Democrats for Europe (ALDE) supported by the National Liberal Club. (By invitation only)

[www.aldeparty.eu/](http://www.aldeparty.eu/)

[www.twitter.com/ALDEParty](https://www.twitter.com/ALDEParty)

**Marriott, Dorchester South**



**FRINGE MONDAY MID EVENING 19.45-21.00 CONT.****Rights-Liberties-Justice**

**Manifest justice: Why access-to-justice/repairing legal aid should be a manifesto priority**

Hear from frontline practitioners/agencies, and working with new all-party (APPG) access-to-justice group, on why/how Lib Dems should advance this agenda. Graham Colley(Chair), Rohini Jana/Chris Minnoch (Legal Aid Practitioners-Group), Nimrod Ben-Cnaan(Law-Centres), James Sandbach(London Citizens Advice) Rebecca Wilkinson(LawWorks), Lord Marks & parliamentarians (invited).

[www.rights-liberties-justice.uk](http://www.rights-liberties-justice.uk) [www.twitter.com/libdemlawyers](https://www.twitter.com/libdemlawyers)

Marriott, Sandbanks Room

**Green Alliance, the National Trust, RSPB, Greenpeace, The Wildlife Trusts, WWF****Green reception**

Speakers: Ed Davey (invited) Join Green Alliance, the National Trust, Greenpeace, The Wildlife Trusts, RSPB and WWF ahead of the most important election for the environment ever.

[green-alliance.org.uk](http://green-alliance.org.uk) [www.twitter.com/GreenAllianceUK](https://www.twitter.com/GreenAllianceUK)

Marriott, Shaftesbury Suite

**The Royal Society**

**An Internationally Connected UK: Creating a global hub for scientific collaboration**

Join leading scientists for a reception exploring how reducing barriers to researcher collaboration and mobility can support the party's vision for an internationally connected UK. Speakers: Alison Noble (Royal Society Foreign Secretary), Layla Moran (Science spokesperson). Co-hosted with ALDES.

[royalsociety.org](http://royalsociety.org) [www.twitter.com/royalsociety](https://www.twitter.com/royalsociety)

Marriott, Sherborne Suite

**FRINGE MONDAY LATE EVENING 21.30-23.00****Glee Club (starting at 22.00 until late)**

Join us for the ultimate end-of conference celebration! Pick up your copy of the Liberator Songbook and come 'raise the roof'!

Marriott, Dorchester Suite

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## Monday 25 September

### TRAINING AND SKILLS MONDAY MORNING 09.30-10.45

#### Lessons from the by-election in Somerton & Frome

After our success in Somerton and Frome in July come along and hear from members of the team who got Sarah Dyke MP elected about their top tips that you can replicate in your seats

*LDHQ Campaigns and Elections Team*

**Dorchester South, MARRIOTT HIGHCLIFF**  
**START UP CAMPAIGNER**

#### Focus on Councillors - Facing Labour workshop

A discussion session to look at what worked and didn't work in Labour facing areas, how to campaign in different types of Labour areas and to share best practice.

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**Sherborne Suite, MARRIOTT HIGHCLIFF**  
**START UP CAMPAIGNER**

#### A4 leaflet in under an hour using Artworker.

Bring your own copy (or be provided with the elements needed) for a practical session on how to write an A4 leaflet. Laptop needed. No previous experience needed.

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**Sandbanks Room, MARRIOTT HIGHCLIFF**  
**START UP CAMPAIGNER**

#### Managing your time for Fundraising

It can be tough finding time to do everything you need to on a campaign. Come along to this session to find out how to effectively use your time to maximise your fundraising potential.

*LDHQ Campaigns and Elections Team*

**Blandford Syndicate 3, MARRIOTT HIGHCLIFF**  
**ADVANCED CAMPAIGNER**

### TRAINING AND SKILLS MONDAY AFTERNOON 14.30-15.45

#### Focus on Councillors - Resilience for councillors

Being a councillor is a hugely rewarding role. But it is important that we make the time to look after ourselves when the going gets tough.

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**Sherborne Suite, MARRIOTT HIGHCLIFF**  
**LOCAL GOVERNMENT**

#### Defamation and Libel

Come and find out the current advice on staying legal on defamation and libel before you write your leaflets for 2024.

*LDHQ Compliance Team*

**Shaftesbury Suite, MARRIOTT HIGHCLIFF**  
**ADVANCED CAMPAIGNER**

#### Good Email Asks

You can successfully raise regular small amounts of money through good email asks. Come along to find out from the team how you can make this happen in your area.

*LDHQ Campaigns and Elections Team*

**Blandford Room, MARRIOTT HIGHCLIFF**  
**ADVANCED CAMPAIGNER**

#### Focus on Councillors - Effective Council Groups

How do effective council groups operate? This looks at what makes council groups effective, sustainable and successful.

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**Sandbanks Room, MARRIOTT HIGHCLIFF**  
**LOCAL GOVERNMENT**

## TRAINING AND SKILLS MONDAY AFTERNOON 14.30-15.45 CONT

### Great photos helping you get selected (Women only)

A picture says 1000 words and in this session we look at how you can be making sure to be using them to maximum effect

*Campaign for Gender Balance*

**Blandford Syndicate 3, MARRIOTT HIGHCLIFF**

*CANDIDATES*

## TRAINING AND SKILLS MONDAY LATE AFTERNOON 16.15-17.30

### How we won in 2023

Celebrating our successes in 2023, and hearing from the teams on how they did it.

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**Sherborne Suite, MARRIOTT HIGHCLIFF**

*START UP CAMPAIGNER*

### Stay compliant at the count!

Come along as we run a mock count. With close elections, knowing the ins and outs of how counts work can be the difference between winning and losing. We will be running a practical exercise.

*LDHQ Compliance Team*

**Shaftesbury Suite, MARRIOTT HIGHCLIFF**

*START UP CAMPAIGNER*

### The boost that phones bring in a General Election

Since the pandemic the use of phoning in campaigns to both mobilise volunteers and engage with voters has increased. In this session you can hear from experts about how to get the most out of phoning in a campaign

*LDHQ Campaigns and Elections Team*

**Blandford Room, MARRIOTT HIGHCLIFF**

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## TRAINING AND SKILLS MONDAY LATE AFTERNOON 16.15-17.30 CONT

### Focus on Councillors - How to be an effective town or parish councillor

Using a Town or Parish campaign to set out a compelling vision for your local community.

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**Sandbanks Room, MARRIOTT HIGHCLIFF**

*LOCAL GOVERNMENT*

### Stress Management for Women candidates (Woman only)

Whether it's a campaign, selection or trying to juggle everything you are doing, life can become stressful. In this session we share top tips on how to manage your stress

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## Tuesday 26th September

### FRINGE TUESDAY MID MORNING 10.20-11.20

**General Election Manifesto Consultation**  
*Organised by the Federal Policy Committee.*

This is an opportunity for party members to share their views on priorities for the next General Election Manifesto with members of the FPC Manifesto Working Group. Chaired by Lord Newby.

**Bournemouth International Centre, Tregonwell Hall**

### FRINGE TUESDAY LUNCHTIME 13.00-14.00

**Howard League for Penal Reform**  
*Watch this space: Why prison reform is urgent*

Prisons are failing, with people languishing in cells and a decline in standards. At the same time, the population is rapidly increasing. Join the Howard League, Lord Newby OBE, Lord Marks KC and others, to discuss what can be done.

[howardleague.org](http://howardleague.org) [www.twitter.com/TheHowardLeague](https://www.twitter.com/TheHowardLeague)

**Bournemouth International Centre, Avon Room**



**Early Education and Childcare Coalition**

*Childcare reform: how can early education deliver for all of us*

The crisis in early years is not just one of affordability, it's also one of equality and availability with some of the most disadvantaged families still excluded from Government support. The Early Education and Childcare Coalition, representing over 30 organisations, asks how we can build on the Spring Budget and deliver a system that works for all.

[www.earlyeducationchildcare.org](http://www.earlyeducationchildcare.org)

**Bournemouth International Centre, Bayview Suite 1**



### FRINGE TUESDAY LUNCHTIME 13.00-14.00 CONT.

**Centre for European Reform and Delegation of the EU to the UK**  
*The future of the EU-UK relationship-how close can or should they become?*

Chair: John Springford, Deputy Director, Centre for European Reform; Richard Foord, MP for Tiverton & Honiton; Pedro Serrano, EU Ambassador; Julie Smith, Lords Defence Spokesman and Professor of European Politics, University of Cambridge.

[www.cer.eu](http://www.cer.eu)

[www.twitter.com/CER\\_EU](https://www.twitter.com/CER_EU)

**Bournemouth International Centre, Bayview Suite 2**



**The Health Foundation & Public First**

*The Role of Health and Care in a Successful Liberal Democrat Manifesto*

With polling insights from Public First and a discussion on what effective strategy and messaging looks like, the event's aim is to generate fresh ideas, ensuring the future success of Liberal Democrat health policy. Keynote speaker: Daisy Cooper MP.

[www.health.org.uk](http://www.health.org.uk)

[www.twitter.com/HealthFdn](https://www.twitter.com/HealthFdn)

**Bournemouth International Centre, Branksome Suite**



**Rethinking Security**

*Security Reclaimed: A Human Security Strategy for the UK*

What does 'security' mean to people across the UK? How can the next UK security review engage them and put people and planet first? Rethinking Security will launch its Human Security Strategy based on findings from 3 years of research.

[rethinkingsecurity.org.uk](http://rethinkingsecurity.org.uk)

[www.twitter.com/RethinkingSecu1](https://www.twitter.com/RethinkingSecu1)

**Bournemouth International Centre, Durley Suite**



**Dignity in Dying**

*Assisted dying: The next great liberal reform*

Liberal Democrats are leading the way on assisted dying across the UK. We'll discuss why this important issue must be on the next Parliament's agenda. Speakers include Baroness Brinton, Christine Jardine MP, Zöe Franklin, Rabbi Jonathan Romain and James Johnson.

[www.dignityindying.org.uk](http://www.dignityindying.org.uk)

[www.twitter.com/dignityindying](https://www.twitter.com/dignityindying)

**Bournemouth International Centre, Meyrick Suite**



**FRINGE TUESDAY LUNCHTIME 13.00-14.00 CONT.****Western Gateway****Western Gateway: The UK's Green Energy Powerhouse**

Stretching from Swansea to Swindon, the Western Gateway brings together business, local authorities and universities to lead the UK in reaching net zero and creating new opportunities. Come along to hear how you can be part of it.

[www.western-gateway.co.uk](http://www.western-gateway.co.uk) [www.twitter.com/WesternGateway](https://www.twitter.com/WesternGateway)

**Bournemouth International Centre, Westbourne Suite**

**NHS Providers****NHS Providers Roundtable****INVITE ONLY**

NHS Providers is bringing together stakeholders and parliamentarians to discuss how workforce wellbeing is vital to delivering high-quality care. This event will be chaired by Saffron Cordery, Deputy Chief Executive, NHS Providers.

[nhsproviders.org](http://nhsproviders.org)

**Hilton Hotel, Poise**



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We will be sending round a feedback survey link soon.

Please let us know about your experience at conference.

**Tuesday 26 September****TRAINING AND SKILLS TUESDAY MORNING****09.30-10.45****A year in the life of a Connect Manager**

Being a constituency Connect Manager is a huge responsibility. Join our Connect Team to find out everything you need to be doing throughout the year.

*LDHQ Tech Team*

**Branksome Suite, BIC****ADVANCED CAMPAIGNER****Building your personal resilience (Women only)**

The Campaign for Gender Balance supports women candidates throughout all campaigning and in this session we help you learn how to build your personal resilience for when you need it most

*Campaign for Gender Balance*

**Durley Suite, BIC****CANDIDATES****Selecting your Westminster Candidate**

A guided tour of the parliamentary selection process for approved candidates and local party officers. Most local party members haven't selected a candidate since 2015, and many candidates have never experienced a selection. Learn how the process works, who does what, and get your questions answered.

*LDHQ Candidates team & ECC*

**Westbourne Suite, BIC****PARTY ROLES****Local Returning Officer - Part One**

Selecting candidates for local government elections is a huge annual task across the country. This training will equip you with the knowledge to run a successful selection for local elections. Part one of a two part course

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**Avon Room, BIC****PARTY ROLES**

## TRAINING AND SKILLS TUESDAY LATE MORNING 11.00-12.15

### Introduction to Lighthouse

Join us to learn the basics of how Lighthouse works, what you can use it for, and how to do some basic tasks as well as make sure you comply with the law. This session is ideal for people just starting out using Lighthouse.

*LDHQ Tech Team*

**Branksome Suite, BIC**  
**START UP CAMPAIGNER**

### Conflict management for woman candidates (Women only)

In a stressful campaign where so much is reliant on volunteers there can be clashes. Come along to learn how best to manage these moments of conflict and ensure you are getting the most out of your team.

*Campaign for Gender Balance*

**Durley Suite, BIC**  
**CANDIDATES**

### Local Returning Officer - Part Two

Selecting candidates for local government elections is a huge annual task across the country. This training will equip you with the knowledge to run a successful selection for local elections. Part two of a two part course.

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**Avon Room, BIC**  
**PARTY ROLES**

## Thank You!

We hope that you have enjoyed the Autumn Conference 2023. We look forward to seeing you at:

### **Spring Conference 2024**

(15-17 March, Barbican York)

### **Autumn Conference 2024**

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**Liberal Democrat Autumn Conference 2024**

On behalf of Brighton & Hove, we extend a very warm welcome to all delegates who plan to attend the Liberal Democrat Autumn Conference in our wonderful city in 2024.

Whether it will be your first visit, or one of many, we very much hope that while you get down to business, you will all find time to enjoy the atmosphere and the wonderful array of cultural and culinary delights we have to offer in Brighton.

We also hope you can take in some of the many attractions the city has to offer – the Royal Pavilion, our Jubilee Library, our two Museum & Art Galleries, the Theatre Royal, the Brighton i360, Brighton Palace Pier and our seafront, which is now home to many new bars, restaurants, nightclubs.

If you are looking for accommodation, we have a range of accommodation providers that will suit both your taste and budget. These are available to book online now at the official conference delegate booking site:  
<https://book.passkey.com/go/LDAC2024>

We look forward to seeing you in Brighton. For more information about Brighton don't forget to visit: [www.visitbrighton.com](http://www.visitbrighton.com)

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# Join us for the launch of the Liberal Democrats Future Fund



**Drinks reception with Sir Ed Davey MP**  
**Saturday 23rd September from 20.15 to 21.30**  
**Sherborne Suite, Marriott Highcliff Hotel**

Ed Davey is launching the Liberal Democrat's Future Fund - to support the Party's future campaigning efforts and ensure we win seats in Westminster and beyond, for generations to come.

## Leaving a gift in your will:

Leave a gift in your will to the Liberal Democrats and you will be helping build our liberal future. A gift in your will is an investment in the long-term future of our party, our values and our campaigning. We need the help of generous supporters like you to build a liberal future for Britain.

It's simple and easy to leave a gift to the Liberal Democrats, and it can benefit both your local party, as well as the national party. It can also be tax efficient, as gifts to recognised political parties are deducted from your estate before inheritance tax is calculated.

Find out more at: [www.LibDems.org.uk/Future-Fund](http://www.LibDems.org.uk/Future-Fund)

## Free will writing:

The Liberal Democrats have partnered with Farewill, to offer our members an opportunity to write a will online for free. Farewill is the largest will writer in the UK and allows you to write your will straight away from the comfort of your own home.

Find out more at: [www.LibDems.org.uk/Farewill](http://www.LibDems.org.uk/Farewill)

## Speak to the Legacy Team at stand 41 in the exhibition room through Autumn Conference.

Without the incredible kindness and support of legacy pledgers, we would not be able to continue supporting the candidates and campaigns which we need to protect the future of the Liberal Democrats.



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