



# Why vote Liberal Democrat in Epsom and Ewell?

Exclusive to the Epsom and Ewell Times we are bringing you statements from each Party standing for election to the local council this Thursday 4th May. We continue today with the Liberal Democrat Party.

We welcome this initiative by the Epsom & Ewell Times to set out reasons why residents should support the local Liberal Democrats. We explain our priorities for the Borough, how these arise from our values as LibDems, and why your vote for us is so important.

Our priorities for Epsom & Ewell As active local residents of the Borough our three main priorities are:

## 1 - Producing a sound Local Plan

Our number one priority is to make sure the eventual Local Plan not just protects the Green Belt but includes stringent conditions around bio-diversity and energy efficiency within its Policies. In addition, we want to see the Council build social housing, not just so-called "affordable housing" which does not meet the real need.

You can read a summary of our response to the Council's Regulation 18 draft Local Plan at this link which also provides a link to our full response on all 50 questions set out in the consultation. As far as we are aware we are the only local party that submitted such a detailed response.

Our councillors would work hard to get as many of our suggestions as possible included within the next version of the Local Plan.

## 2 - Getting serious about the climate emergency

The Council has a Climate Change Action Plan but too little is being done to cut our own emissions and to encourage local businesses and residents to take steps to tackle the issue. Our councillors would continue to put pressure on the Council to make sure that the Climate Emergency was embedded in all decision making, and to have quantitative targets to reduce our emissions over the next 4 years.

## 3 - Increase local democracy and transparency

There have been too many cases in the last four years of decisions being taken behind closed doors and of important information not being shared with all Councillors, let alone residents. Two examples of these issues were a decision taken in private to investigate opening a Pet Crematorium in the borough, and not sharing the critical findings of the Local Government Ombudsman with all Councillors, as should have happened under the Council's own constitution.

We want residents to be aware of what is happening at the Council, so informed debate can take place. Your LibDem Councillors would work to achieve this.

What is a Liberal Democrat?

All our candidates are members of the Liberal Democrat party. This means they agree with the fundamental aims of our constitution which includes in its preamble: "The Liberal Democrats exist to build and safeguard a fair, free and open society, in which we seek to balance the fundamental values of liberty, equality and community, and in which no-one shall be enslaved by poverty, ignorance or conformity. We believe that each generation is responsible for the fate of our planet and, by safeguarding the balance of nature and the environment, for the long term continuity of life in all its forms. ... We believe that the role of the state is to enable all citizens to attain these ideals, to contribute fully to their communities and to take part in the decisions which affect their lives."

The full document can be read here <https://www.libdems.org.uk/federal-constitution>.

It is these fundamental goals that motivate our candidates and influence their decisions as councillors. You can see how the key priorities set out previously derive from these goals and if any new issues emerge for the Borough over the next four years you will know the values and principles that will influence our decisions on those issues.



David Buxton and Alison Kelly stand in Stamford Ward for the LibDems

## Why should you vote LibDem?

In summary, for three reasons:

1 - To hold the lethargic Residents Association (RA) to account. Democracy needs openness and debate, and the RA seems intent on stifling both.

2 - So you know who you are voting for. The RA make a big deal of being local residents. So are we. You also know what our values and principles are. The RA include a mixed bag of individuals and at times they don't seem to be able to agree on what they want to achieve.

3 - To help protect the more vulnerable in our community, and to tackle the Climate Emergency.

You can read more about our priorities and candidates on our Facebook site [here](#)

David Gulland - Chair of Epsom & Ewell Liberal Democrats and Julie Morris - Leader of the Liberal Democrats Councillor Group in Epsom & Ewell

Top image: Julie Morris, Julian Freeman and James Lawrence LibDem candidates for College Ward Epsom

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Ed: The Liberal Democrats are fielding candidates in all 14 wards in the Borough

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## Why vote Labour in Epsom and Ewell?

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Vote Labour on May 4th for a fairer, greener, safer Borough. Your Labour candidates are determined to do all they can for the residents of Epsom and Ewell. The Tories have broken the economy and working people are paying the price. People are struggling to pay their bills. The cost of gas and electricity, the cost of essential food and our rents and mortgages have all gone up, but pay rates are stagnating. It shouldn't be like this.

Top photo: Chris, Rob, Sarah, Kate and Mark out in Town Ward hearing from people on the doorstep about the need to make Epsom safer.

The Epsom and Ewell Residents' Association, who control the council, are out of their depth in the face of the problems created by the Conservative Government. They don't have the experience, knowledge or resources to support their residents whilst public services crumble around us. So many things need fixing: - the cuts to social housing and social care that have had a devastating effect; services for young people and police numbers that have all been cut; the pot holes that are dangerous for cyclists and damage cars which continue to deteriorate. Our own chalk stream, The Hogsmill, is being polluted with sewage and it was your Labour team that met with Thames Water to challenge this. Only a Labour Government and Labour councils can rebuild the economy and address the problems we face.

Both nationally and locally, Labour is ambitious and determined to help communities grow and prosper. Labour will freeze council tax, cut energy bills by insulating homes and work to generate cheap home grown electricity.

Our priorities for Epsom and Ewell are:

- a safer borough - with more visible police back on the beat.
- a fairer borough - with homes that local people and key workers can afford to settle in.
- a greener borough - with more trees and we'll continue to protect our precious green belt.
- a cleaner borough - with robust action on fly tipping and increased fines for littering to pay for more street cleaning. The Labour Team will continue to lead regular litter picks.

and we will crack down on town hall waste, with no more expensive, unnecessary consultants.

The Epsom and Ewell Labour Party know that proactive Labour councils can provide solutions. Labour councils improve areas by investing in their communities.

To provide homes for their residents Camden Council have approved the building of new social and living rent homes on under-utilised council land, delivering: 44 new social rent homes for families on the waiting list, 23 living rent homes for key workers and 6 supported living homes. All of these homes to be built to the highest standards of design and sustainability.

In Norwich, Goldsmith Street is an award winning 100% social housing development of 93 Passivhaus homes built in a traditional street pattern. The homes provide a high level of occupant comfort using very little energy for heating and cooling.

For a cleaner borough - Lewisham have worked to reduce fly tipping by enforcement, quickly removing it and engaging with the community to reduce the huge costs. In Epsom and Ewell we would provide free skips for different wards on a rotational basis supporting people to dispose of their unwanted larger items responsibly.

There are many good practice models of providing public transport and homes, tackling anti-social behaviour and working with communities to improve the lives of residents.



Stuart Gosling, Kate Chinn, Chris Ames and Ros Godson visiting residents in Court Ward with Labour Party colleague Kezia from Kingston taking the selfie

A Labour council in Epsom and Ewell would work with and for our residents to enable individuals and the borough to grow and prosper.

The borough of Epsom and Ewell is a great place with great people. Only Labour has a plan for a fairer, greener more dynamic economy that will deliver better jobs and raise living standards for residents.

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We are on your side.

So, Vote Labour on May 4th and let's build a better borough together.

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## Why vote Green in Epsom and Ewell?

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Vote Green to beat the housing crisis and ensure that the Green Belt and other treasured green spaces are protected. Vote Green for a council that stands up to Whitehall's wild housing demands, turns away speculative developers and expensive consultancies. A Green focus opts for low-carbon, preferably Passivhaus standards to provide social housing that people can afford to rent and buy in the places people need them. Vote for Green answers to providing adequate community infrastructure - surgeries, cycling and walking networks, nurseries and schools, vibrant youth centres and care services.

Vote Green to alleviate the cost of living crisis with a freeze on rent rises, a ban on no-fault evictions, free school meals and 35 hours free childcare from 9 months old. We support £1 fares on local bus routes, subsidised insulation schemes, housing - not hotels - for the homeless and refugees. Vote Green to view a successful economy as one that provides a sustainable and fair society for all.

**Janice Baker** - Green Party candidate for Nonsuch Ward.

Photo: Janice Baker and Andrew Bailey - Green Party candidates showing willing for the hustings.

Ed: The Green Party are fielding candidates in the following wards: Ewell Village, Nonsuch, Ruxley, Stamford, Town, West Ewell, Woodcote and Langley Vale.

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## Cautious candidates cause College and Court cancellations

The three willing Residents Association candidates for College Ward were disappointed that the Liberal Democrats, Conservatives and Labour Candidates did not register to participate in last night's scheduled local election hustings. The Epsom and Ewell Times pulled the plug on the event in the afternoon as we did not think it appropriate to stage a one-party event. Cllr **Nigel Collin** (RA College Ward) and his colleagues **Charlotte Day** and **Kate Brooks** had willingly registered after the first invitation to do so.

Top image - an empty 3rd Scout Hall St John Chandlers, Church Road, Epsom

Similarly, for Court Ward, only **Robert Geleit** of the Labour Party registered to face the public and debate with his opponents from the Liberal Democrats, Residents Association and Conservatives, but they did not show willing and we pulled the plug to avoid a one-man one-party show.

The willing candidates:

Charlotte Mary **Day** - Residents' Associations of Epsom and Ewell for College.







I aim to create a sustainable future and if elected, I will focus on sustainable development as well as protecting the countryside and our green spaces.

Kate Emily **Brooks** – Residents' Associations of Epsom and Ewell for College.



I am committed to protecting our area and my 10 month old daughter has made me want to make Epsom and Ewell the best place to enable families to thrive. I will press SCC to improve maintenance of our roads and pavements.

Nigel **Collin** – Residents' Associations of Epsom and Ewell for College.



My aim is to continue to improve the Community and to help resolve residents problems. If elected , I will continue to scrutinize Council Expenditure to ensure value for money and to fight for a cessation of the statutory nuisance caused by operations in the chalk pit.

Cllr Collin was keen to use the opportunity to rebut LibDem claims: On the Local Plan Cllr Collin points out the LibDems voted for the Draft Local Plan, the Government forces EEBC to use Green Belt, Council meetings are only held in private to protect 3rd party privacy and potholes are Surrey's responsibility and we will press them hard.

Rob **Geleit** – Labour Party for Court.



I am standing to stick up for my friends and neighbours in Court Ward. We go out door knocking every weekend and get round the area once a year. Every time we are out we pick up two or three problems to fix, so over the course of an electoral term we really lift the area.

No other Party will do this for you.

We are a strong opposition to the ruling Residents' Association Party. I have heard one of them say that we are their 'conscience'.  
Vote Labour!

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## We are very very sorry for hustings hosting hash

The Epsom and Ewell Times accepts full responsibility for last night's farce and failure over the promised Stamford Ward election hustings. We apologise unreservedly to the public.

Residents Association candidates **Steve Bridger** and **Martin Olney** had been prepared to answer your questions and debate with **Alison Kelly** (who cycled to three churches in her quest for the hustings - see below) and **David Buxton** of the Liberal Democrats and **Andrew Bailey** of the Green Party.

The candidates who did *not* register to attend the hustings were **Karen Landle** and **Richard Chinn** (Labour) and **Aaron Persand** and **Stephen Pontin** (Conservative).

The Gods seemed to be determined that this hustings would not take place. Firstly, we wrongly assumed a hall we had booked was the Scout Hall at the rear of Epsom Methodist Church in Ashley Road. An eagle eyed scout-leader spotted our error Tuesday and pointed out that we had booked the St Martins Scout troop hall. We then wrongly assumed their hall was beside St Martin's Church in Church Street and re-directed people there. Then on the night we discovered the scout hall is in fact at the rear of the former St. John Chandler Church in Church Road.

To cap it all Church Road was closed for access at the East Street junction.

Two determined electors of Stamford Ward managed to work this out and turned up but agreed the abandonment of proceedings. But nevertheless they had the chance to engage with Cllr **Steve McCormick** (RA candidate for Woodcote and Langley Vale) who had attended as a spectator. As had **Janice Baker** of the Green Party standing in Nonsuch.

**Lionel Blackman**, who was to chair the event said: "It's all my fault. I am sorry. We will get it right in 2027. Plenty of time to continue our mission to inject new life into our local democracy. You know, in the global struggle against authoritarianism not only must we nurse democracy at the micro-local level, if conducted with personal respect democracy can be fun. And we did



have a bit of fun last night, albeit at my expense.”

Epsom and Ewell Times is very confident, however, that the next hustings for the new ward of Horton will take place on Tuesday 2nd May at Southfield Park Primary School, Long Grove Rd, Epsom KT19 8TF at 7pm. There is only one such school isn't there?

The candidates willing to face the public standing in Stamford Ward:

Steve **Bridger** – Residents' Associations of Epsom and Ewell



I took up the challenge of being a Councillor when I retired to put something back into the area that I have lived for the majority of my life. I have secured 3 successful CIL bids for my Ward – 2 for Epsom Common and 1 for Horton Country Park. I am a believer in sustainability and any way that we can recycle, use power and resources more efficiently and generally be more careful about what we buy.

I became part of the RA due to the non-political stance that it takes – I am not told what to do or how to vote (I have voted against items that could affect my Ward and residents). I enjoy meeting residents, helping them out not only with matters concerning the Council but giving my life experiences to assist in some civil matters. I have assisted in fighting inappropriate planning matters (Kingswood House School, Clayhill Lodge etc.)

Party Politics should not come into local 'politics', promises of changing things that are outside our realm are matters that are decided by the politicians and outside our control – they have no place here.

I am proud to be part of the Borough that is known throughout the world, just mention Epsom and everyone knows or has heard of it, so let's keep it non-political and a great place to live, work and enjoy!

David **Buxton** – Liberal Democrat Focus Team





David has lived in Epsom for 18 years and worked as CEO for one of London's leading Disabled Peoples Organisations. David was previously an Epsom and Ewell Borough Councillor for four years. For 10 years David was a Committee Member and Chair of Livingstone Park Association leading the campaign to pull down the derelict Water Tower, and the campaign for the dilapidated Horton Chapel to become a charitable trust, enabling its transformation to its former glory as a listed building - the now new Horton Chapel Arts Centre! David was formerly Chair of the British Deaf Association and is a current Board Member of the European Union of the Deaf. David led the British Sign Language (BSL) Act Campaign nationally, he has won several national campaign awards and has been named as one of Britain's most influential disabled people. David is keen to protect wildlife, parks and the Green Belt.

Alison **Kelly** - Liberal Democrat Focus Team







Alison has lived in Epsom since 1986 and was a Borough Councillor for 8 years serving on planning and finance committees. From 2007 to 2015, Alison was the main opposition spokesperson on budgetary and financial policy. Alison became involved in local politics to protect our open areas and gardens because of her dismay at the number of planning decisions that were changing the landscape. Alison welcomes this opportunity to be directly involved in deciding local planning issues. Alison is particularly interested in promoting energy efficiency and recycling and is keen to ensure that the borough exceeds targets and meets residents' expectations. Alison also enjoys fitness, gardening and volunteering locally.

Alison Kelly outside the final destination of St John Chandlers Church of her cycle-quest to find the hustings.

Epsom and Ewell Times can confirm her bicycle was there – just out of view of the photo.

Andrew **Bailey** – Green Party







Andrew Bailey says:

"I will help build a sustainable future where our greenbelt is fully protected. I strongly believe in community engagement and consensus politics. My aim is for Epsom council to provide better tools so people can recognise positive change - increases in recycling, downturn in pollution, engage in development plans and tell the council where they don't feel safe. A community exists only when people feel their voices are heard."

Andrew Bailey - Stamford Ward and Green candidate Janice Baker, who is standing in Nonsuch Ward, in eager attendance at the second of the wrong venues - St Martins Church Hall.

Martin **Olney** - Residents' Associations of Epsom and Ewell



The RA has not cut any services in the last four years and the auditors have complimented them on their sound management of ever-dwindling financial resources. I want to help maintain the Borough's efficiency and continue to provide what local people want. I was a Councillor in 2015 -2019, my main interest was planning and planning policy. I also looked after Veterans in the Borough as well as maintained our heritage assets.

The results of the consultation on the Local Plan have made the RA pause the plan. I will work for a new plan that meets the needs of the residents.

Surrey County Council is failing to maintain our roads, deliver enough schools places or provide adequate transport. Ofsted gave a 'requires improvement' for their Child Service, one of many dismal performances. I will pressure them to meet their obligations as they take 76% of your Council Tax.

The RA is focused on issues, within their responsibilities, that impact the people in the Ward. The National political parties have a wider agenda and are influenced by a central office. A vote for the RA is a vote for local decisions being taken after consultation with local people.

## Polls apart - from the norm?

The Epsom Playhouse is listed as one of Surrey's "quirky" polling stations in the report below from the BBC's LDRS (Epsom and Ewell Times' official news partner). A full list of the polling stations for the Borough of Epsom and Ewell Council's upcoming 4th May elections can be [FOUND HERE](#).

When many Surrey voters head out to cast their ballot in local elections on May 4 they will go to the village halls, community





centres and schools that are often used as polling stations.

But some will visit more unusual locations, including a pub, a theatre and a former home for “vagrants and casual workers” all being used as polling stations.

Local elections are being held in all 11 districts and boroughs across the county, though not all residents will go to the polls.

Some councils, including Elmbridge, Tandridge and Woking, elect their councillors “by thirds”, meaning one third of council seats are up for election each time.

Others, including Guildford and **Epsom and Ewell**, hold “all out” elections every four years.

At the Bull Inn, in Warlingham, people voting in Tandridge District Council elections will be able to grab a pint once they are done and drink it in the pub’s garden. It is the third time the pub has been used as a polling station, and tea and coffee will be served in the morning with alcohol available from midday.

While voters in Esher, within Dominic Raab’s parliamentary ward, will tread the boards of the Esher theatre to cast their vote. A production of City Of Dreams will run at the theatre until April 29, and there is a performance the day after the vote of Cool Britannia Cabaret.

It’s not the only theatre to be used as a polling station on May 4, with the **Epsom Playhouse** also being used as a polling station for voters in Epsom and Ewell’s Town ward.

Some voters in Guildford will have the opportunity to cast their ballot at the Spike in the borough’s Castle ward. The purpose-built home for vagrants and casual workers, which opened in 1906, was built to separate vagrant workers from those within the main workhouse. In 2005, the Charlotteville Jubilee Trust fundraised to rescue the building, after a period of it being used by St Luke’s Hospital before its relocation to the Royal Surrey site, and after it was listed as a Grade II building. The Community Centre and Heritage Centre now on the site opened in 2008.

Polling stations on May 4 will be open from 7am until 10pm, and voters should receive a polling card from their district council to let them know which polling station to attend.

It is also the first local elections where voters nationwide will need to show ID in order to be able to vote.

A full list of accepted forms of voter ID is available on the gov.uk website and the deadline to apply for a Voter Authority Certificate is 5pm on Tuesday, April 25.

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## Voter ID deadline warning

Epsom and Ewell Times has reported before about anxieties around the new requirement for photo ID for voters at the upcoming local elections 4th May. LDRS reports on anxieties in the Surrey Borough of Runnymede which are no doubt shared in Epsom and Ewell:

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Don’t leave getting your voter ID for the May local elections sorted until the last minute. That is the message from Runnymede Borough Council’s election manager as the deadline to secure proof approaches.

Local elections are taking place this year on Thursday May 4 and this year, for the first time, every voter heading to a polling



station in England must show a photo ID in order to cast their ballot.

Councils across Surrey have been rolling out communication pushes as the “last thing they want” is to be turning people away at the polls. Kath Richards is the election manager for Runnymede Borough Council. She said: “The deadline to apply for voter id is April 25 at 5pm. After the 25th there is nothing they can do. My concern is people will leave it until the last minute. The nearer the election day they’ve got to rely on the post. If they leave it they might have to collect it themselves. We don’t know if there is going to be a rush.”

There are a host of valid IDs that will be accepted on the day, including expired official documents such as passports, so long as there is still a strong resemblance to the photograph.

Those who do not own an accepted ID can apply for what is known as the free Voter Authority Certificate – a fast track card that will allow people to vote.

However, the deadline to apply is fast approaching leading to fears some may leave it too late. Applying for the voter card can be done online. Residents upload a photo of themselves and it lands with the council where it is then checked to ensure the person is who they say they are.

After that it is sent to a printing company in Sunderland before being posted back to people’s homes.

So far Runnymede has received about 60 applications – which have come through ‘in dribs and drabs’ despite the communications push that saw notices go up on bins, banners and through people’s doors.

She said: “We don’t want people to turn up on the day and not be able to vote because they’ve not got the right information. The ID needs to be an original document. I’ve got a picture of my passport on my phone but I can’t use it. I can be an out of date passport as long as the picture bears a resemblance. If you still look like the picture in your passport it will still be accepted. I don’t want to be in a position where somebody says they don’t know about it. The last thing we want to do is turn people away.”

She estimates that there are between two and eight per cent of the voting population who do not have a valid photo ID.

Not a massive figure in a population of about 60,000 voters but enough to potentially swing the balance in wards where there is a small majority.

## **Accepted forms of photo ID:**

You can use any of the following accepted forms of photo ID when voting at a polling station.

### International travel

Passport issued by the UK, any of the Channel Islands, the Isle of Man, a British Overseas Territory, an EEA state or a Commonwealth country

### Driving and Parking

Driving licence issued by the UK, any of the Channel Islands, the Isle of Man, or an EEA state (this includes a provisional driving licence)

A Blue Badge

### Local travel

Older Person’s Bus Pass funded by the Government of the United Kingdom

Disabled Person’s Bus Pass funded by the Government of the United Kingdom

Oyster 60+ Card funded by the Government of the United Kingdom

Freedom Pass

Scottish National Entitlement Card

60 and Over Welsh Concessionary Travel Card

Disabled Person’s Welsh Concessionary Travel Card

Senior SmartPass issued in Northern Ireland

Registered Blind SmartPass or Blind Person’s SmartPass issued in Northern Ireland

War Disablement SmartPass issued in Northern Ireland

60+ SmartPass issued in Northern Ireland

Half Fare SmartPass issued in Northern Ireland

### Proof of age

Identity card bearing the Proof of Age Standards Scheme hologram (a PASS card)

Other government issued documents

Biometric immigration document



Ministry of Defence Form 90 (Defence Identity Card)

National identity card issued by an EEA state

Electoral Identity Card issued in Northern Ireland

Voter Authority Certificate

Anonymous Elector's Document

The name on your ID should be the same name you used to register to vote.

Those who have registered to vote anonymously and want to vote in person, need to apply for an Anonymous Elector's Document.

Voter ID cards can be applied for via the Government's website

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## Full list of candidates for Epsom and Ewell Council

Epsom and Ewell residents will go to the polls on May 4 to elect their councillors for the next four years.

All 35 seats on the council are up for election in Surrey's smallest borough, and elections are taking place at the other ten lower-tier authorities in the county as well.

The election at Epsom and Ewell Borough Council comes just six weeks after members voted for a pause to the plan for homes in the borough in order to re-consider the inclusion of green belt sites such as Horton Farm being used for homes.

The council is currently led by Residents' Association councillors and has been since it was founded in 1938. Residents will elect councillors to 14 wards this year, with a new ward added in Horton.

Below we list all the candidates standing across the borough:

### Auriol

Hannah Mireille Jackson Abrahams - Conservative

John Richard Beckett - Stoneleigh and Auriol Residents' Association

Garrick Bigwood - Labour Party

Caleb Michael Philip Heather - Conservative

Julia Karen Lucas - Labour

Oliver Schuster - Liberal Democrat

Darren William Talbot - Stoneleigh and Auriol Residents' Association

Dorothee Katarina Wilbs - Liberal Democrat

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### HUSTINGS:

#### Wednesday 26th April:

3rd Scout Hall, Epsom Methodist Church, Ashley Road. Epsom, KT18 5AQ

6.15pm **Stamford Ward**

7.15pm **Court Ward**

8.15pm **College Ward**

#### Tuesday 2nd May at 7pm:

**Southfield Park Primary School**, Long Grove Rd, Epsom KT19 8TF, one hustings will be held for the new **Ward of Horton**.



## College

Kate Emily Brooks - Residents' Associations of Epsom and Ewell  
Nigel Kenneth Benno Sippel Collin - Residents' Associations of Epsom and Ewell  
Charlotte Mary Day - Residents' Associations of Epsom and Ewell  
Julian Peter Freeman - Liberal Democrat Focus Team  
James John Lawrence - Liberal Democrat Focus Team  
Helen Lewis - Labour Party  
Julie Anne Morris - Liberal Democrat Focus Team  
Christopher Charles Muller - Conservative  
Tom Peer - Conservative  
Michael John Ware - Conservative

## Court

Chris Ames - Labour Party  
Christine Rosemary Beams - Residents' Associations of Epsom and Ewell  
Kate Chinn - Labour Party  
Rob Geleit - Labour Party  
David Erwin Lyndsay - Conservative  
Geoffrey Christopher Pope - Conservative  
Karen Seidel - Liberal Democrat  
Sandy Smyth - Conservative  
Mary Catherine Sullivan - Residents' Associations of Epsom and Ewell  
David Michael Triggs - Residents' Associations of Epsom and Ewell

## Cuddington

Caroline Barretto - Labour Party  
Dan Brown - Liberal Democrat  
Kevin Rhys Davies - Labour Party  
Garrett Michael Doran - Conservative  
Alex Paul Hawkes Cole - Conservative  
Graham Owen Jones - Residents' Association of Cuddington  
Phil Neale - Residents' Association of Cuddington  
Arun Matyjas Saini - Liberal Democrat  
Rajesh Saini - Liberal Democrat  
Kim Spickett - Residents' Association of Cuddington  
Lynn Walker - Conservative

## Ewell Court

Tamas Balog - Liberal Democrat  
Tom Chaloner - Conservative  
Oliver Nathaniel Clement - Conservative  
Dan Edwards - Labour Party  
David Walter Gulland - Liberal Democrat  
Debbie Monksfield - Labour Party  
Peter William O'donovan - Ewell Court Residents' Association  
Christopher Robin John Watson - Ewell Court Residents' Association

## Ewell Village

Christine Gladys Cleveland - Residents' Associations of Epsom and Ewell  
andrew Nicholas Cook - Conservative  
Sandra Noel Hatfield - Labour Party  
Kenneth John Kimber - Liberal Democrat  
andrej Kubicek - Liberal Democrat  
David Anthony Lee - Green Party  
Graham Rapier - Conservative  
Clive David Woodbridge - Residents' Associations of Epsom and Ewell

## Horton

Ros Godson - Labour Party  
Eber Alan Kington - Residents' Associations of Epsom and Ewell  
Henal Vinod Ladwa - Residents' Associations of Epsom and Ewell



Philip Mclauchlan - Liberal Democrat  
Bernie Muir - Conservative  
Kieran Persand - Conservative  
Mark Christian Todd - Labour Party  
Paul Stephen Vagg - Liberal Democrat

## **Nonsuch**

Jamie Abrahams - Conservative  
Janice Baker - Green Party  
Stephen William Dixon - Liberal Democrat  
Shanice Goldman - Residents' Associations of Epsom and Ewell  
Gaye Hadfield - Labour Party  
Christine Anne Howells - Residents' Associations of Epsom and Ewell  
Robert Leach - Residents' Associations of Epsom and Ewell  
Steven Liu - Conservative  
Gary Derek Peters - Liberal Democrat  
Sharon Marie Stead - Liberal Democrat  
Ajay Kumar Uppal - Conservative  
Ian Leslie Ward - Labour Party

## **Ruxley**

Rob Adnitt - Labour Party  
Joseph Ojo Alawo - Conservative  
Catherine Anne Carver-Hill - Labour Party  
Alex Coley - Residents' Associations of Epsom and Ewell  
David Raymond John Collins - Conservative  
David Michael Kidd - Green Party  
Jan Mason - Residents' Associations of Epsom and Ewell  
Marian Paula Morrison - Liberal Democrat

## **Stamford**

Andrew Darren Bailey - Green Party  
Steve Bridger - Residents' Associations of Epsom and Ewell  
David Colleton Buxton - Liberal Democrat Focus Team  
Richard William Chinn - Labour Party  
Alison Kelly - Liberal Democrat Focus Team  
Karen Landles - Labour Party  
Martin Olney - Residents' Associations of Epsom and Ewell  
Aaron Persand - Conservative  
Stephen Pontin - Conservative

## **Stoneleigh**

Rusmat Roland Arthur Ahmed - Liberal Democrat  
Charlotte Ann Angus - Conservative  
Hannah Charlotte Emily Dalton - Stoneleigh and Auriol Residents' Association  
Brian William Fisher - Liberal Democrat  
Anthony John Froud - Stoneleigh and Auriol Residents' Association  
Sue Hoyle - Labour Party  
Tracy Margaret Muller - Conservative  
Ragu Raymond - Labour Party

## **Town**

Arthur Abdulin - Residents' Associations of Epsom and Ewell  
Neil Andrew Dallen - Residents' Associations of Epsom and Ewell  
Danny Leonard Fullilove - Conservative  
John Stuart Gosling - Labour Party  
Yvonne Caroline Grunwald - Green Party  
Sarah Louise Kenyon - Labour Party  
Rachel Sarah King - Residents' Associations of Epsom and Ewell  
Gillian Miles - Liberal Democrat  
Jamie Joseph O'sullivan - Conservative





Philip Victor Pavey - Liberal Democrat  
Meera Persand - Conservative  
Sarah Louise Charlotte Whitworth - Liberal Democrat

## **West Ewell**

Jason George anderson - Labour Party  
Patrick Christopher Campion - Conservative  
andrew John Casey - Liberal Democrat  
Linda Martha Chmiel - Liberal Democrat  
Tony Foster - Green Party  
Lisa Zahra Haghir - Liberal Democrat  
Nafiz Huq - Conservative  
Lucie Kimberley McIntyre - Residents' Associations of Epsom and Ewell  
O'sullivan Kitty - Conservative  
Humphrey Reynolds - Residents' Associations of Epsom and Ewell  
Alan Keith Williamson - Residents' Associations of Epsom and Ewell

## **Woodcote and Langley Vale**

Abbey Bloom - Labour Party  
Liz Frost - Residents' Associations of Epsom and Ewell  
Bernice Froud - Residents' Associations of Epsom and Ewell  
Daniel Charles Martyr - Liberal Democrat  
Emily Lucia Cottam Martyr - Liberal Democrat  
Steven John McCormick - Residents' Associations of Epsom and Ewell  
Jonathan Neil Parkinson - Green Party  
John Michael Payne - Liberal Democrat  
Fiona Peer - Conservative  
Henry Strausser - Conservative  
Emma Charlotte Ware - Conservative  
Mike Westbrook - Labour and Co-Operative Party

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## Beginning to line up for local elections

A new Epsom and Ewell Borough Council will be elected on the 4th May. All 35 seats in all 14 wards are open to the competition. Epsom and Ewell Times is providing every candidate standing the opportunity to have published on these pages details of their candidacy and a short statement why they are standing.

The candidates are listed strictly in order of receipt of their details.

[CLICK HERE](#) for the Epsom and Ewell Times guide to all candidates - as it stands today.

When nominations close and the official list of candidates is published our list will be verified. We are not responsible if any candidate chooses not to provide details but we will endeavour to include the names and parties represented of all candidates after the official lists are published.

Candidates can supply their details via [Form of entry for candidates](#).

You may find useful this [EEBC official map of the Wards](#). You should have posted to you a polling card stating in which ward you



live and are eligible to vote for.

The new ward of **Horton** and the three most closely contested wards in the last election of 2019 will each have a hustings organised by Epsom and Ewell Times as follows:

**Wednesday 26th April:**

3rd Scout Hall, Epsom Methodist Church, Ashley Road. Epsom, KT18 5AQ

6.15pm **Stamford Ward**

7.15pm **Court Ward**

8.15pm **College Ward**

**Tuesday 2nd May at 7pm:**

**Southfield Park Primary School**, Long Grove Rd, Epsom KT19 8TF, one hustings will be held for the new ward of **Horton**.

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## 4th May Surrey goes to the polls

Election day in Surrey takes place on May 4 this year but because of the way the county is broken up, not every poll will be the same. Surrey operates under a two-tier system, so there is a county-wide council that sits atop of 11 boroughs and districts. On May 4 it's the boroughs and districts that go to the polls.

But even the boroughs and districts are holding different types of election. Surrey Heath, Spelthorne, **Epsom and Ewell**, and Guildford will have all out elections, where every councillor, in every ward will be decided on election day. The same process is also happening in Mole Valley and Waverley, although this is because of boundary changes.

In Mole Valley there will be 13 new wards, down from 21, represented by 39 seats rather than the previous 41. Waverley too has undergone major changes and instead of returning 57 members there will now only be 50 councillors. The remaining five boroughs and districts, Elmbridge, Tandridge, Runnymede, Reigate and Banstead, and Woking will be going out in thirds.

This year will also be the first time people will be required to show photo ID to vote in person.

In previous elections, residents of Woking have taken part in the Government's photo ID pilot tests. The law was changed last year so that voters have to show photo ID before being issued a ballot paper in polling stations for general, local, police and crime commissioner elections, or any future referendum.

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