



## Help us Win in the Local Council Elections

On May 5th we will be fielding candidates in the local elections for South Holland and South Kesteven District Councils. As well as this we are supporting the Fairer Votes Campaign which we hope will change the face of politics in this country by making MP's more accountable to their electors. We need helpers to support our candidates by delivering leaflets, calling on voters in person and by telephone. If you can help at all please call Kathleen Tanner on 01778 343326. Another way you can help is to make a donation to our campaign fund. Please use the form at the bottom of the page to make a donation. If you are a supporter and donate £10 or more you are entitled to become a member of the Party.

## LibDems in Government

For the first time in nearly one hundred years we have Liberal Democrats in government. Already they have delivered the scrapping of ID cards, an end to children being imprisoned in detention centres, the pupil premium, and an end to DNA databases storing the DNA of innocent people. Many more of our liberties will be restored when the Protection of Freedoms Bill becomes law. Further on we can see reform of the House of Lords to bring democracy there too.

Most importantly on the 5th of May we have a referendum asking the people whether or not they want a fairer voting system.

**Yes!** *to fairer votes*



The fairer votes campaign was given a flying start in the East Midlands by Deputy Leader of the Party Simon Hughes MP when he spoke at the East Midlands Regional Conference held in Corby on 19th February. In a keynote address he said that this is the first time in the history of British politics that the electorate is being given an opportunity to choose which voting system they prefer.

**Yes!** *I will make a donation*

Name/s \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

I am a Lib Dem supporter  I would like to be a member

I will make a donation to help the Lib Dems' campaign for a Yes vote

£100  £50  £20  £5  Other £ \_\_\_\_\_

*Please make cheques payable to the South Holland & The Deepings Liberal Democrats.*

*Return to: Kathleen Tanner  
38 Kesteven Drive, Market Deeping, PE6 8DU*



Your support will make a real difference

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# Save St Guthlac School Campaign

On the 12th May 2010 the St Guthlac and George Farmer Federation released information to parents regarding proposals for Academy status of the two schools. The proposals if passed would see the St Guthlac's and George Farmer schools close



sometime in 2011, then immediately reopening as an Academy. At this stage the Holbeach site would be redeveloped, and the Crowland site would close sometime in 2014.

A campaign has been started in Crowland to fight the closure of the local school which would not only result in Crowland students having to travel to Holbeach but would lead to a loss of an important amenity used by many groups in Crowland. LibDem member and Crowland Parish Council councillor Glyn Mayley has been at the forefront of the campaign and has proposed an alternative plan to make St Guthlac's a Free School. This is a popular option in Crowland and has the backing of John Hayes MP.

## Our own web site

Thanks to a generous donation by one of our local party members we are able to finance our own local party web site. The web site is being professionally constructed and is funded for the next two years. It will give you news of events and campaigning, discussion on policy issues, contact details, links to other sites and anything you would like to suggest to us (contact anyone below). If you are on our email list we will contact you when the site is launched. If you are not on our email list, send us your email address NOW by emailing [kathleen@tanner18.freeseve.co.uk](mailto:kathleen@tanner18.freeseve.co.uk)

## New Exec Team

At the AGM held in November 2010 the following were elected to be the new executive

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Phil Hammersley	Member		
Anne Ramkaran	Member		
Maureen Harold	Member		

Please feel free to contact any of the above on Local Party matters.

## 100 Club

Also at the A.G.M. It was agreed that we should start a 100 club to raise regular funds to help our Local Party Campaigning. The Club will be open to all members and supporters to join. Phil will be sending out a separate mailing with this newsletter.

## Stop Press

Bill Newton Dunn M.E.P. will be holding a meeting on Friday 1st April on 'AV & Political reforms' in Oakham, at Volunteer Action Rutland, Lands End Way, 7.30 p.m. For further details contact Lesley Moverley on [lesmoverley@hotmail.com](mailto:lesmoverley@hotmail.com).