

FOCUS

On Broadclyst, Clyst Hydon, Clyst Honiton, Farringdon and Clyst St Lawrence



The tide turns towards fairer greener and more caring politics

The Liberal Democrats and other like minded councillors at East Devon District Council have worked collaboratively introducing a much improved administration with honesty, openness and transparency

In May 2020 a group of your elected councillors became concerned with the way the then administration was acting. The Democratic Alliance was formed, pledging to work together on behalf of East Devon residents.

The new administration dramatically changed how the council is run. Introducing more transparent decision making, involving local residents in the choices that affect them. Gone are the private closed meetings. Now you can view council meetings on YouTube, and all minutes are available on the website.

We have refocused council activities to emphasise the environment;

protecting our natural heritage, increasing biodiversity, and reducing reliance on fossil fuels.

We have introduced a tourism strategy. We have also successfully challenged the mandatory housing numbers and consulted with communities on a new Local Plan to build the right houses, in the right places, and of the right quality.

Over the last 10 years, the government has reduced the District Council grants by over £60M yet your District Council is delivering services, through careful management, obtaining extra alternative funding, plus working with other stakeholders to provide the services and policies you need and expect.

Under the Democratic Alliance, East Devon District Council achieved the lowest deficit in the county, calling on less reserves.



Working together for all

Vote for your Liberal Democrat candidates

Sarah Chamberlain



I'm a mother of 2 young boys, and enjoy spending time with them and my animals. I rear orphaned lambs or other creatures that need help.

I am a compliance works surveyor on new development sites and have a keen interest in the quality of local housing. I believe we need sustainable affordable

housing, in rural villages as well as the larger communities, so younger people don't need to move away.

In our ward, there are a lot of major housing developments, I believe we need to get this right from the start, including the community infrastructure. We also need open and green spaces for both biodiversity and for all to enjoy, including allotments.

I've been a District Councillor for the last 4 years. I have also been on our Parish Council, which is what first got me interested in local decision making.

Katie Jones



Community is a strong thread through my time. I work with groups to improve quality of life through the Arts. As well as volunteering at Cyst Caring, I also work for a charity using music therapy to enhance lives. I started Broadclyst Theatre Group in 2010. Last summer, with support from the Parish

Council I created and ran Broadclyst Summer Youth Drama Project which I hope to run again in 2023.

Starting as a local reporter in North Devon, I specialised in environmental and community news. I later moved to Exeter working in various industries, working with companies to develop their commitments on Social Value.

I joined the UK Hydrographic Office and as Director of International relations, ran a project to agree the sharing of digital data to protect life at sea. After nearly a decade of living out of a suitcase, I decided to refocus my energies on my own community. You'll often find me sea swimming at Exmouth or walking my dog Darcy around Broadclyst.

Eleanor Rylance



I've lived and worked in Broadclyst with my family for 20 years, where I've been a Parish Councillor since 2006, and elected as your district councillor since 2017. I chair our village twinning group and run monthly social film nights at the Victory Hall. I put people and the environment at the heart of what I do, aiming always to

make the best decisions possible for the long-term wellbeing of all residents. Broadclyst ward must be a place where young people can make progress – better jobs, access to green space, healthy and truly affordable places to live, and where older people can live their best life.

If re-elected, I will continue pushing for the delivery of more social housing built to a high environmental standard, needing less energy, with facilities within walking distance, and infrastructure delivered alongside development, rather than years later.

It would be an honour to be elected again to represent our community.

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Planning

In 2020 when the Strategic Planning committee at EDC was presented with the GESP plan to vote on, this was the very first time we'd set eyes on it. And we did not feel democracy had been well served

The plan had never been scrutinised by the public, nor had most councillors seen it yet we were being asked to pass it on principle. Eleanor was delighted that her proposal to pull East Devon out of the GESP was successful. If we hadn't done so, our part of East Devon would have seen even more building than the 950 houses a year that central government was imposing, and to have even less say in the infrastructure.

Charging points and parking

We've made sure residents and visitors can recharge their cars in car parks across the area. There are also plans for a rapid charger in Broadclyst car park.



For £10 a month you can have unrestricted parking in a town of your choice, making it an excellent support for those working further afield. To support local people, the winter daily rate was kept at £2.

Preventing damp housing



Sarah wants to continue her work on identifying the maintenance needs of council-owned homes. Through the council strategy, damp is being tackled as an environmental health hazard in all rented houses.

Report the potholes

Devon County highways department needs hear from you about the potholes, they are a danger to cyclists and damage cars. Sadly lack of government support for all councils extends to the mending of our roads too.



East Devon recycling rates are among the best in the country. A big thank you to residents for playing such a key part in achieving this success

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Delivering infrastructure in new developments

We need genuine communities with their own facilities. Westclyst, Tithebarn and Mosshayne are particularly in need. We are happy to lobby for these, - be it new schools, community facilities or access to medical services and transport with whichever organisation is able to provide them. We will also protect any site allocated to the community from planning applications for other uses.



We love our River Clyst and its ecosystem, and are horrified by discharges of sewage into rivers and seas- we have supported the scrutiny of South West Water by the Council. We're also tackling other polluting activities in our area, and working with our contractors to up recycling rates.

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on 4th May

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