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Election Special



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Trent Ward: delivered to Averham, Bleasby, Fiskerton, Gibsmere, Goverton, Kelham, Rolleston, Staythorpe & Upton

Liberal Democrat Pledges for Trent Ward

Tackling Climate Change



Trees in Keith's woodland area in fields between Fiskerton and Bleasby

- ✓ Tackle Climate Change as a Key Priority for Newark and Sherwood District Council, aiming for Net Zero emissions by 2030 or before for Council activity.
- ✓ Rapidly expand work on insulating properties under the Council's control, both residential, administrative and commercial.
- ✓ All new housing developments in our area should be built to the highest zero emission standards possible. This will include requirements for all new houses to have solar panels and/or ground-source heating built in.
- ✓ Double the extent of woodland and tree cover in the District Council area within the next ten years with special emphasis on urban tree-planting
- ✓ Increase the area's recycling rate from around 35% to over 60% within five years (*currently the TOP SIX councils for recycling in England are Lib-Dem-led!*).
- ✓ We will work with the Clean Rivers Trust, Severn Trent Water and others to clean up the River Trent and improve its water catchment area as a major natural resource in our area.
- ✓ We will help to develop community-focused renewable energy hubs, bringing local energy security and contributing to the lowering of cost-of-living pressures.

Amenities, Transport and Social Housing

Greatly improve the Social Housing stock in the District (*retro-fitting insulation and boosting the natural environment to improve physical and mental health levels*).

We will work with all appropriate partners to boost the potential for the tourism and hospitality sector in Newark and Sherwood .

Push for improved rail services through Bleasby, Fiskerton and Rolleston and develop innovative and "demand-responsive" rural bus services.

Invest in improving leisure centre access for older residents in the District Council area

To help relieve the pressures on the NHS we will push hard for rapid improvements to local Social Care services.



Keith MELTON -your local Candidate

Dear Neighbours.....

I have lived in Staythorpe for almost 50 years and spent about six years of that time on the Averham, Kelham and Staythorpe Parish Council back in the 1980s.

I have always taken a positive view of how local political action should work with the strong values of Liberty, Equality and Community and Care for the fate of our planet, expressed in the preamble to the Lib Dem constitution quoted in the panel on the right...

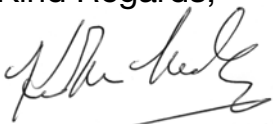
I want you to be able to vote for me and for the Lib Dems rather than against our opponents! I want us to keep the quiet, rural, character of our villages and will continue to work for robust planning controls to stop inappropriate development here.

We must work to improve the state of our rural roads and ensure road surfaces are maintained to avoid the dangerous and damaging potholes that have appeared in recent times.

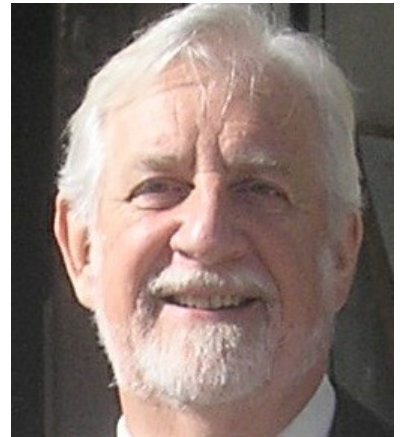
Most of my working life I have been involved in Education. I have been involved in environmental and green issues for well over 50 years – one thing I share in common with King Charles!

As Chair of the Green LibDems I have campaigned strongly, both locally & nationally about the dangers of Climate Change. This is my key priority for Newark & Sherwood DC on behalf of our community and future generations. We must tackle the dreadful record of water companies in releasing sewage spills into our rivers. I look forward to your vote & hope, soon, to represent you and our rural community.

Kind Regards,



Keith Melton.



The Preamble to the Lib Dem Constitution says:-

“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”.



Keith MELTON - Liberal Democrats



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