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THE BEST TEAM TO FIGHT FOR BLACKHEATH



Lewisham's all Labour Council has become complacent - making bad decisions and delivering poor services with little consultation.

On 5th May you have a chance to change that by electing a strong local team of Liberal Democrat Councillors.

With your support, Helen, Benedict and Chris will stand up for Blackheath and put an end to Labour's one party state.

HELEN STEEL

Helen is a retired doctor and has lived in Blackheath for the last 10 years.

As a doctor, she specialised in viral diseases before working on the creation of new drugs for HIV and Influenza and new antibiotics.

Helen is keen to improve the safety of our borough to promote cycling and walking, particularly for children and to tackle blatant speeding and the traffic flow issues across the Heath and in the village.



BENEDICT MAGUIRE

Benedict is a solicitor and has lived in Blackheath for more than 3 years.

He commutes to the City and is disappointed with Labour's decision to shelve the Bakerloo line extension to Lewisham. Meanwhile fares and council tax continue to rise

Benedict wants to improve Blackheath's transport links and reverse the deterioration of rail services in our area.



CHRIS MAINES

Chris has lived in Blackheath for 16 years and served as a local Councillor for 8 years.

He chaired the Blackheath Joint Working Party and has taken a keen interest in the heath and activities held on it.

Over the last few years Chris has worked for the NHS, lately in a pandemic-related role. He is the Liberal Democrat candidate for Lewisham Mayor.



WORKING FOR A BETTER BLACKHEATH

LEWISHAM PLANNING "CHARADE"

Lewisham needs a robust planning system - which Labour, with no opposition, fail to deliver.

We need to build much-needed family homes while ensuring that developers are not allowed to run riot and disregard local residents and local needs.

One Labour councillor admitted the planning system is a "charade". Having listened to, and ignored, objections from Blackheath



residents he boasted the outcome was known prior to the meeting.

Elsewhere in the borough, residents were forced to go to the High Court

which found that Lewisham Council has misled one of the Council's planning committees. The Labour Council needed to review its procedures – it did so behind closed doors, without involving local residents.

Opposition by Liberal Democrat Councillors would enable a light to be shone on the process and decision making improved by rigorous scrutiny and STRONG opposition.

LABOUR: A RUBBISH RECORD

Labour-run Lewisham Council is in the bottom 10% of councils in the country for recycling.

Meanwhile, fly-tipping has become an epidemic across our borough.

There is no challenge to the complacent Labour Council on issues like these because there is no opposition.

A strong Liberal Democrat representation on the council would fight for more effective waste reduction and recycling plans to greatly improve the borough's record.

We would also be calling for greater enforcement of the law and for the Council to prosecute fly-tipping offenders.

Electing Liberal Democrat Councillors would challenge the status quo and fight complacency.

It would allow more transparency of the process and decision making around waste management and lead to improvement through careful consideration of all the available options.



ON 5 MAY YOU CAN END THE ONE PARTY STATE IN LEWISHAM

Only the Lib Dems offer a chance to end the Labour one party state - the Tories and Greens are too weak to win here

Elections here in Blackheath are a two horse race between Labour and the Lib Dems

**LAB
1st**

**LIB
DEM
2nd**

**CON
3rd**