



# Edward Lucas - fighting for what matters to you

Edward Lucas and your local Liberal Democrat team are campaigning hard to hold the Labour-run council and Boris Johnson's Conservatives to account.

Edward Lucas is a proud Londoner and international expert on corruption and national security. He has spent his career exposing those who abuse power and evade exposure.

He is fighting for trust and truth in our politics at all levels. Edward and the team have heard your anger at dodgy planning decisions, at waste of your money and at carelessness towards our environment. Our campaign shook the Conservatives' grip on Marylebone in the May election.

Our decisions at the next general election will decide whether Marylebone will be a soulless playground for the rich, or a community that the next generation can call home. "I don't want a country run by the dodgy rich for the dodgy rich," says Edward.

Edward Lucas has the experience and determination to make Marylebone a better place to live and work.



## Taking up the issues that matter in Marylebone

Edward Lucas and the Lib Dem FOCUS team are campaigning on issues that affect us here in Marylebone. We want to hear about your problems – get in touch and let us know (contact details overleaf).

### About Edward

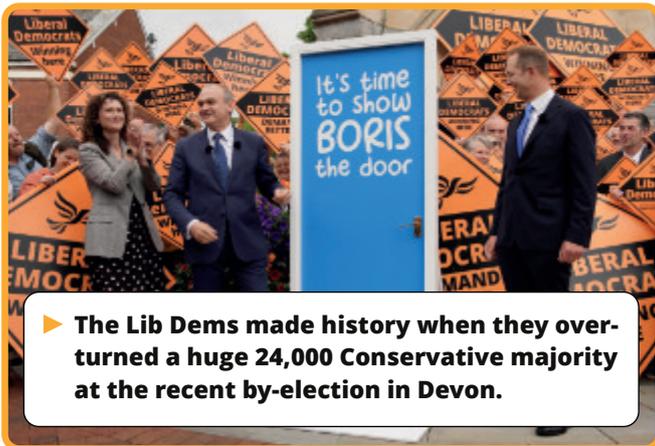
- Londoner, husband and father of three
- Runs a successful business, and understands real-life problems
- International security and anti-corruption expert
- Writes regularly in the *Times* and worked for 25 years at the *Economist*
- Keen urban cyclist and wild swimmer



- ✓ Although pollution levels have been falling in central London, our air quality here is still poor. We need more trees and plants, and cleaner vehicles.
- ✓ The local Lib Dems are calling on the council to provide many more charging points for electric cars. Remember – all new cars sold in the UK after 2030 will be electric or hybrid.
- ✓ Overflowing bins, inadequate recycling and dumped rubbish are not just a nuisance – they attract foxes and rats and create a health hazard.
- ✓ Unregulated holiday lets are causing real problems with noise, mess and safety. Inconsiderate visitors create disturbance and ignore rules on rubbish collection.
- ✓ Edward Lucas and the Lib Dem FOCUS Team are fighting to protect the special character of our unique community for everyone who lives here.

**Edward Lucas and the Lib Dems** - working hard for **Marylebone** all year round

# Lib Dems on the UP



► **The Lib Dems made history when they overturned a huge 24,000 Conservative majority at the recent by-election in Devon.**

The Liberal Democrats are celebrating a string of election successes around the country.

Nationally, the Lib Dems were the biggest winners in May's local elections when they gained 194 councillors. Labour only gained 22, while the Conservatives lost a whopping 336.

Then, on 23<sup>rd</sup> June, the Lib Dems made history by overturning a Conservative majority of more

than 24,000 at the Tiverton & Honiton by-election in Devon.

Local Lib Dem Parliamentary candidate Edward Lucas said, "Lib Dems are on the up across the country. That's great news for our campaign here, where we came just 4,000 votes behind the Conservatives at the last election."

In Marylebone, the Lib Dems got their best local result when they came second to the Conservatives.

## London facing huge bus cuts

London is facing the biggest-ever cuts to its bus services after the Labour mayor and Conservative government clashed over funding.

16 routes and 250 buses face the axe after the government refused to compensate Transport for London for the loss of income

caused by the pandemic.

Cuts to routes 14 and 24 will hit residents in Marylebone hard. If you haven't already taken part, the consultation has been extended until 7th August.

[haveyoursay.tfl.gov.uk/busreview](https://haveyoursay.tfl.gov.uk/busreview)

### Thank You from Alistair & team

Alistair Barr says a big 'thank-you' to everyone who voted for him and his two colleagues in May's local elections.

The Lib Dems came a strong second in Marylebone – our best-ever result in Westminster. We'll continue to work hard for you here!



► **Temporary barriers on some central London bridges are restricting traffic and blocking drains.**

## Anti-terror barriers on bridges cancelled after five-year wait

Plans for permanent anti-terror barriers on our bridges have been dropped by Transport for London.

TfL promised permanent barriers on Central London's bridges five years ago, but so far only Westminster Bridge has had them installed

Temporary barriers on other bridges are restricting traffic flow and blocking

drains, which cause local flooding.

The leader of London's Lib Dems, Caroline Pidgeon, has called on the Government to sit down with TfL to agree funding for permanent barriers to help keep Londoners safe.

Edward Lucas is working with Caroline Pidgeon to put pressure on the Mayor of London to take action.

## Elizabeth Line's Bond Street Station to open in the autumn

The new Bond Street Station will open in the autumn, with phase two of the Elizabeth Line opening. The new railway currently runs as three separate lines. However, from the autumn, passengers will be able to take a single train from Reading or Heathrow all the way to Abbey Wood via Canary Wharf.

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