

It's 2022 yet our political system is operating as if we were in the 19th century. The population are disenfranchised with big P politics and disillusioned with their perceived ability to make change. We live in times where governments lie, cheat and steal in plain sight, financial crashes and Brexit are dressed up as cost of living crises rise and no one is perceived to have new, sustainable or viable ideas. Populism continues to rear its ugly head across politics, the media however people are starting to question what's going on and what we need to get our country back on track.

I've been an inner city, local councillor and parliamentary candidate, and the one thing that is missing is a clear, national offer that resonates with a diverse range of people. We will not escape this downward spiral unless we can stand tall with integrity, radical ideas that are grounded in practical application and the means to speak the language of the majority.

This is about being the best of who we are and increasing the circles of influence through robust but respectful debate, generating problem solving ideas fit for the 21st century and championing liberalism in modern parlance. Moreover, breaking down the barriers between the old style political parties and extending hands of friendship and commonality.

In my community we recognise that if you take off the coloured hats, our ideals are closely aligned, our resolutions to common problems overlap in a Venn diagram with the largest middle and we've got an overwhelming desire to make things better.

I am seeking re-election to the SLF Council because I am committed to:

- 1. Enabling more people to come together and take Liberalism forward, fit for the 21st century and irrespective of allegiances in the current system.
- 2. Work collaboratively in modernising our democracy from the ground up to place power back into the hands of the people.
- Offering my services to SLF using both my political and professional
 experience, I specialise in Change Management and believe that now is the
 moment we need to raise the game of political discourse that is
 comprehensible to the majority.