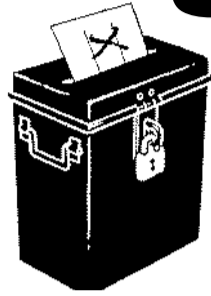


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Who is standing up for you?



On June 4th there are TWO elections

One election is to choose a local **County Councillor for East Malling, Larkfield and West Malling** for the next four years. You have one vote which must be cast for one candidate.

The other election is for the **South-East England Members of the European Parliament.**



To view Headline in colour go to Trudy's page on kentlibdems.org.uk

Working Hard All Year Round

← 700 Lib Dem rail surveys show travellers are fed up with **overcrowded and unreliable trains**. Trudy is working for more carriages and **restoration of peak time Cannon St services**. You can sign the petition at keepourtrains.com

Trudy was the only County Councillor who attended → the Hospital Board meeting to speak **against taking A and E and Maternity Services to Preston Hall**. She believes delays to the move allow time for a review and wants both services retained locally.

← Plastic recycling bins must stay, but Lib Dems want an affordable way of providing **plastic doorstep collection** to ensure maximum recovery and re-use.

Leybourne Bypass has caused **rat running** in → Lunsford Lane and New Hythe Lane, Larkfield, New Road and Chapel St, E Malling, and High Street and Swan Street, West Malling. Trudy is working with residents to get speed and diversion measures to help prevent this dangerous nuisance.

← KCC says they repair pavements every 226 years and drains every 300 years, and they won't say how long a road must last! Lib Dems say **long term funding of repairs** is needed to fix decades of Tory neglect.

Allington incinerator will take most of Kent's domestic rubbish, and New Earth Solutions want to bring → green waste from all of Kent to West Malling's Blaise Farm plant. Lib Dems say **Tonbridge and Malling must not become Kent's rubbish dump**.

← Planning permission to wrap huge areas of the countryside in **plastic polytunnels** are coming in. Trudy has persuaded KCC to write Kent guidelines to control how many and where they are placed.

The Government removed protection from land → between East Malling, West Malling, Larkfield, Leybourne, and Kings Hill. Trudy is campaigning to **extend the Green Belt** to stop the villages merging.



.... the LOCAL person for the LOCAL job

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Mallings School. Thursday May 21st. 7.30pm

Traffic in our Streets

Has the Leybourne Bypass resulted in MORE traffic on your road?

Are speeds in your road too fast ?

What do you think can be done about it?

Does traffic calming work?

Have Your Say!



Free Parking on
site via Beech Rd
Refreshments



Success! 'Best Ever' Farmers Market

West Malling Farmers' Market had its BEST EVER trading day in April. New stalls included Steve Oakenful's fresh fruit and veg and he sold out! The market was the first held under Steve Woods as market manager. More outdoor eating and entertainment are planned for the future. Trudy put together a rescue package for the market when its previous operator collapsed. Next Market May 24th.



Trudy with Market Manager Steve Woods

West Malling Station Car Park 'before Christmas'

The long awaited 200 space privately owned station car park may open before Christmas on land enclosed by the bypass slip road. Earlier Tory plans to site the park on Eden Farm off Station Approach were defeated by Lib Dems and local residents. Lib Dems also successfully pressed for the old station access road to be re-opened.

NEW THAMES CROSSING SITES

A Government Study on a new Thames crossing has listed 3 choices; the existing Dartford crossing, Swanscombe to A1089, or east of Gravesend to east of Tilbury. Welcoming the news Trudy commented "This is good news for this area as it does NOT include the KCC Conservative plan for a link to Grain or Cliffe, which would have poured traffic into the A228."

That's another fine Mess (tent) !



Trudy performed the official opening of the new Blacklands Scouts' Mess Tent at the Quest Camp at Wrotham. The £800 tent costs were met from Trudy's Councillors Grant Scheme, and was very popular!



THANKYOU COMMUTERS!!!

Over 150 people have returned Rail Surveys from Trudy and Liz at West and East Malling Stations at 6.00am onwards (yawn). Please sign up to the petition to get fast Cannon Street services continued. Go to keepourtrains.com



THIS BYPASS JUNCTION IS DANGEROUS

The Parish Council have asked for urgent improvements to signs on the slip roads joining the bypass with London Rd. Several vehicles have crashed into the islands.



Trudy got KCC to publish figures on their use of secret surveillance.

Last year's 31 cases included 14 to catch fly tippers, 11 roadside traders, 3 fake goods sales, 2 underage drink, 1 false use of CORGI logo, and one rogue doorstep salesman who was arrested.

IN BRIEF

KCC say work during May will mean J4 traffic lights work together

TMBC are consulting on a Cycling Strategy for the Boro.*

Government is consulting on variable speed limits on M20 between junction 4 and 7.*

Trudy has called for retiming of temporary traffic lights at Ditton which are causing major hold ups.

The Parish Council has called for tree preservation orders for Hoath Wood to prevent further caravans

*Reports on websites or from Trudy



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