

A PERSONAL MESSAGE FROM YOUR LIBERAL DEMOCRAT TEAM

Dear Friends,
The centre of Cambridge is home to many contrasting communities, including families, pensioners, students and visitors.

As your councillors we have worked with our colleagues in the growing Liberal Democrat team to ensure that the voice of local residents is heard and that the centre of Cambridge remains a living community where people live, work, go to school, study and play throughout the year.

On a City wide basis we have been proud as members of the Liberal Democrat group to have had the opportunity to put into practice many of the things that local residents have mentioned to us, particularly the improvements to basic services, the extension of the recycling schemes to include door to door collection of cardboard and green waste and the using of Planning gain funding to improve the Christs Pieces play ground in the coming year. Being part of the ruling Liberal Democrat group has helped us to achieve more for the ward in the last four years.

There is still much to be achieved, not least in continuing to reduce the amount of traffic in the city centre, to ensure that residents are involved in the new Licencing Laws to be introduced in 2005 and that the new local plan recognises the needs of those living in the city centre, especially in the Kite area, for local shopping.

There is much to celebrate not least in that we do enjoy the beauty of the open spaces in the ward and the historic buildings around us. We need to work together to ensure that the residential community continues to survive and continues to play a full part in the future development of our city.

Yours sincerely,

Mike Dixon Colin Rosenstiel Joye Rosenstiel

Your team of Councillors



Mike Dixon



Colin Rosenstiel

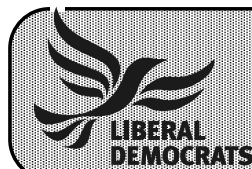


Joye Rosenstiel



Anthony Bowen
(County Councillor)

All-year-round service and action since 1969



City Centre Circular

ELECTION SPECIAL

Your Councillors - Mike Dixon, Colin and Joye Rosenstiel



City Council Elections are on June 10th

For a postal vote here (up to June 2nd, at home as well for students with local elections there too), a lift to vote, or to raise a problem with us, or to help the Lib Dem campaign please ring 368326 or 516586 or (on June 10th) 511210.

Local involvement

Colin has been Deputy Leader of the City Council and Joye Executive Councillor for Community Development and Leisure since the Lib Dems took over in 2000. Mike has concentrated on Environment and Planning.

Outside the Council your councillors are actively involved in all sorts of community activity.

Colin chairs the all-party Electoral Reform Society and is one of the Lib Dems' election experts.

Joye keeps up links with the student community as a trustee of Student Community Action, and she also chairs Cambridge United Charities.

Mike is keen to see that education is properly supported by our local Councils.

Read our plans for Cambridge inside...

Colin and Joye Rosenstiel have become well known to Market Ward residents over the 20-30 years that they have served as your City Councillors. They live in the heart of the ward at 17 Grafton Street, and share with you the delights and frustrations of living in the city centre. Mike Dixon is also familiar to residents during his 5 years as one of the ward's City Councillors.

Local Residents

Joye works part-time as the Co-ordinator for Cruse Bereavement Care. Colin is a part-time IT support consultant in London. Mike is an education specialist, with the Local Examinations Syndicate. Their their daily journeys around the city centre gives them plenty of opportunity to meet constituents and to spot issues en route.

The local work goes on during the elections

During this time, we pick up much useful information which guides our work as Councillors, and many things to look into and problems to solve.

If you have a problem or an issue to raise, please do call Joye or Colin on 368326, Mike on 500366, or Anthony on 339309.

Don't forget: you have three votes in this election

4	Mike Dixon	X
11	Colin Rosenstiel	X
12	Joye Rosenstiel	X

and Liberal Democrat for Europe too!

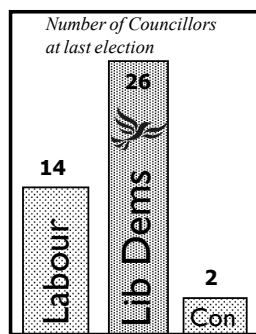


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RE-ELECT the Liberal Democrat team

Liberal Democrats in control

At the elections on June 10th it's a straight choice between the Liberal Democrats and Labour:



Liberal Democrats took control of Cambridge City Council in May 2000, ending 20 years of Labour rule. The City can now improve further with the Liberal Democrats or revert to Labour.

More still to come

We've achieved a lot, but there's more to come as describe in this leaflet. We aim to use the powers of the City Council to make the Government and County Council see sense over the guided bus scheme.

And we'll continue to provide value for money. We've slashed £2 million from administration costs. We've kept Council tax increases below inflation while still spending more on services.

Away on June 10?

You can ask for a postal vote until June 2. Contact the Guildhall (457048)

Liberal Democrats - success in Cambridge

Four years of change for the better - that's the result of the people of Cambridge voting in a Liberal Democrat Council for the first time. Lib Dems set a new direction for the city. Here are some highlights of what we have achieved.

Action on Basic Services

- After 20 years of neglect under Labour things were so bad we began an emergency programme to clean up Cambridge and restore services
- Free graffiti removal service introduced
- Hundreds of new litter bins
- Renovation and replacement of public loos

Action on the Environment

- Introduced door-to-door black box recycling scheme
- Extended organic waste recycling throughout city
- Introduced plastics recycling
- Backed solar power schemes
- Put more money into tree planting

Action on safer streets

- Funding extra police to combat anti-social behaviour
- Set up mobile CCTV cameras
- Used new powers given to allow dispersal of groups of troublemakers

Action on Housing

- Reduce by two-thirds the number sleeping rough in Cambridge
- Supporting 200 people who have been helped into permanent accommodation
- Cutting level of rent arrears
- New programme of home improvements for our 8200 Council homes

Action on Transport

- Night bus services introduced to help people get home safely
- Better community transport for elderly and disabled people
- New traffic calming and pedestrian crossings
- Investment in park & ride sites

For further details of our policies, ring 368326 (e-mail rosenstiel@cix.co.uk), or visit the Cambridge Lib Dems' web site at <http://www.cambridgelibdems.org.uk> (our newsletters can also be found there)

Have you noticed the difference now the Lib Dems are in control? The Audit Commission has! The City Council is now officially rated as "excellent" - the first district council in the East of England to achieve this rating.

What next if Lib Dems stay in control?

We have come a long way in 4 years. However we are not complacent and know there is much still to be done. With your support we aim to make Cambridge a Clean, Green and Safe City. We aim to:

Deliver better services

- Continue to improve all the council's services
- Involve the community in decision-making about services
- Deliver services through grants, external contracts and partnerships with others where this is the best option, as well as delivering services directly

Improve the City's housing

- Combat the housing shortage and increase the supply of affordable housing
- Improve the management of housing owned by the Council, and involve tenants more in decision-making
- Ensure older and disabled residents have safe and decent homes
- Work with voluntary agencies to prevent homelessness in the City

Promote a healthy and active community life

- Support a flourishing voluntary and not-for-profit sector by providing money for community groups
- Ensure Cambridge residents have access to a wide range of sports, arts and leisure activities
- Work with partners to support health initiatives

Develop a strong economy

- Fund employment initiatives that retrain and support people into work
- Promote the economic dynamism of the city, and its excellence as a centre for business, shopping and education
- Support Cambridge's development as a regional centre

Maintain an attractive environment

- Provide attractive and cleaner streets, neighbourhoods and open spaces
- Improve the quality of new developments
- Reduce the impact of traffic on the city by promoting improved public and community transport, cycling and walking
- Reduce levels of crime and fear of crime through the Cambridge Community Safety Strategy.



What Sort of People Should Your Councillors Be?

They should know your problems

Colin and Joye Rosenstiel live at the heart of the ward, at 17 Grafton St., with their two children. Mike lives round the corner at Petersfield. They are in regular contact with their residents to find out their views on matters affecting the ward.

They should keep in touch

All three councillors are major contributors to the Market Ward Liberal Democrats' local newsletters.

They believe that you should be able to keep in touch with your councillors all year round.

They should be on your side

Your councillors believe that people are more important than plans, policies or systems. Their first loyalty is to the people of Market Ward regardless of their political beliefs.

They should care about people

Much of a local councillor's work is not about major issues, but about dealing with individual problems. The Liberal Democrat team has a proud record of trying to sort out residents' problems and answering their queries.

They should take action on local problems

All the most marvellous policies in the world are of no use if you do nothing about them. Your councillors believe that action is more important than talk.

Mike, Colin and Joye are part of a Liberal Democrat team of residents across the whole City who won't go away after the election.

"Every Liberal Democrat vote in this year's local elections will be a vote to scrap the council tax.

Lib Dems would scrap it in favour of a fairer local income tax, based on people's ability to pay."