



Peter Wexham for West Leigh!

**“I will stand up
for you in
West Leigh!”**

Peter Wexham

**A POWERFUL,
TRUSTED VOICE**

One of the best known and longest-serving councillors on Southend City Council, Peter Wexham, will stand for election to be West Leigh’s new Councillor, so that residents have a great choice. Peter has lived in West Leigh for almost 50 years – first in Theobalds Road, now in Vardon Drive.

“I’m pleased to entrust my seat in Leigh to well-known campaigner Jean de Tourtoulon in future,” says Peter. “But West Leigh needs much more than it gets now from the Tories. I’m here, working alongside Leigh Lib Dem Cllr Carole Mulroney, and campaigner Jean de Tourtoulon to help get the best for the whole of Leigh.”

Peter Wexham with Jean de Tourtoulon



Lib Dems help pass amendments to Southend Council budget

MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN LEIGH & ACROSS THE CITY

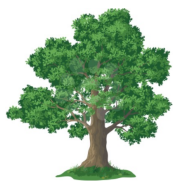
Together with Labour, Independent & Green Councillors, Lib Dems on Southend City Council helped secure crucial amendments to the Tory budget for 2024/25.

The Tory budget was poor – it hit vulnerable people most. The amendments will need the Conservatives removed from power. We ask residents to vote them out of office on May 2nd to get these highlighted changes done:

Retaining 5 roles in the important Dementia Community Support Team



£2.5m more to reverse the Tories' managed decline of our pavements and roads



Investment to get more trees in the city – the Tories didn't provide for any new trees!

Retaining Southend Council's graduate scheme



Introducing cut & collect to our grass cutting regime, to keep grass out of drains!

3 new Community Support Officers to tackle antisocial behaviour

PLUS

3 new Civil Enforcement Officers to focus on bad parking around our schools



CIVIL ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Bringing back the cycle network funding



Reducing increases to cremation & burial charges

Investing in culture and tourism to create jobs

We put residents and shoppers first! Pay on average **11% less** for parking across all zones except Southend seafront – and, to support locals, **NO CHARGES** on the seafront after 6pm for Southend Pass holders.



Peter Wexham – Campaigner & Councillor

★ Peter is a champion for all aspects of our environment – from monitoring water quality and battling for sea defences on Two Tree Island, to helping create Nature Reserves and pushing for recycling schemes.

★ Peter worked hard for improvements to Bell Wharf so fishermen could land their catches – and, by ensuring Southend Council applied for available grants, gained £800,000 for the Fisheries Local Action Group to look at the industry's needs.

★ That includes Levelling-up money to build a new quayside and to dredge Leigh Creek for a more sustainable future.

★ Peter Wexham has worked hard with like-minded residents for local amenities – as well as current battles, over the years he fought against the closure of Leigh Library, and to stop the Council demolishing the Community Centre to build a car park.

★ In the 1990s Peter campaigned to get a parish council which would act on behalf of Leigh, independent of Southend. Now Leigh Town Council, set up in 1996, is in danger of being destroyed by local Tories. We can't let that happen!

★ **Cracking up?** No, not the Town Council, but on Belton Hills. Peter says: "Climate change and heavy rain contributed to the latest slips. Southend Council is monitoring and taking action, but this isn't new – check out the steps from Marine Parade to the station! You can see cracks filled in the past, which are opening up again. I will be keeping a close eye on your behalf."



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