

# Meet KEITH MILLER



Liberal Democrats

Liberal Democrat  
candidate  
for Rochford  
& Southend East

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I was born in Cornwall. My father was a pilot in the R.A.F. and so I have always been interested in defence matters and advocate a strong defence strategy in today's dangerous world.

After secondary education at Newquay Grammar School, I moved to London to study Chemistry at Queen Mary's College, University of London.

In 1981 I was a founder member of the S.D.P.

I was a strong supporter of the formation of the Liberal Democrats by the merger with the Liberals. I became very politically active in South London in the Camberwell and Peckham party, where I held most committee member posts including Chair for two years and Vice Chair for four years.

I am currently on the Executive of the South Croydon party.

I have been a Prospective Parliamentary Candidate. four times before:

**1997** in Houghton and Washington East

**2001** in Middlesbrough

**2015** in Stafford

**2017** in Tonbridge and Malling



I have travelled to Europe frequently, and was an advocate for the expansion of the European Union to the Eastern Bloc countries.

I have spent a good deal of time in Poland, and predicted the large scale immigration of Poles into the U.K. following Poland's accession to the E.U. in 2004.

I am very concerned about the negative effects of Brexit. It is essential for our future that we stop Brexit or at least get as soft a Brexit as possible by remaining in the Single Market and Customs Union.

My partner since 1972, Jean, is a retired teacher. She was diagnosed with multiple myeloma in 2015 and receives chemotherapy at the Royal Marsden Hospital.



My mother  
suffered from  
depressive  
illness. I have  
inherited her  
vulnerability

and suffered from bipolar  
affective disorder in 1967,  
1981 and 2002.

These were treated by  
hospital admissions  
involving drug therapies  
of major tranquillisers  
when my mood was high,  
and anti-depressants  
when my mood was low.

I worked as a medical  
representative for over  
30 years and promoted  
newly developed  
psychotropic drugs to  
psychiatrists.

In 1990 I studied for a  
degree in Psychology at  
Goldsmiths' College,  
University of London,  
graduating in 1994.

I therefore have  
experience in mental  
health from three dif-  
ferent perspectives, and  
have applied my  
experiences and exper-  
tise as a political activist  
to help lift the stigma  
and ignorance of mental  
illness.