

**Put Leigh first**

# **ELECT ASHLEY THOMPSON**

**Southend Borough Council    Thursday 2nd May    Liberal Democrat**

## **Ashley.....**

Ashley lives in Leigh Ward close to the junction of London Road and Southsea Avenue. He is a lifelong local resident who works as a professional classical musician. Aged 32, he is employed by various local community choirs and is Organist of Wesley Methodist Church in Elm Road.

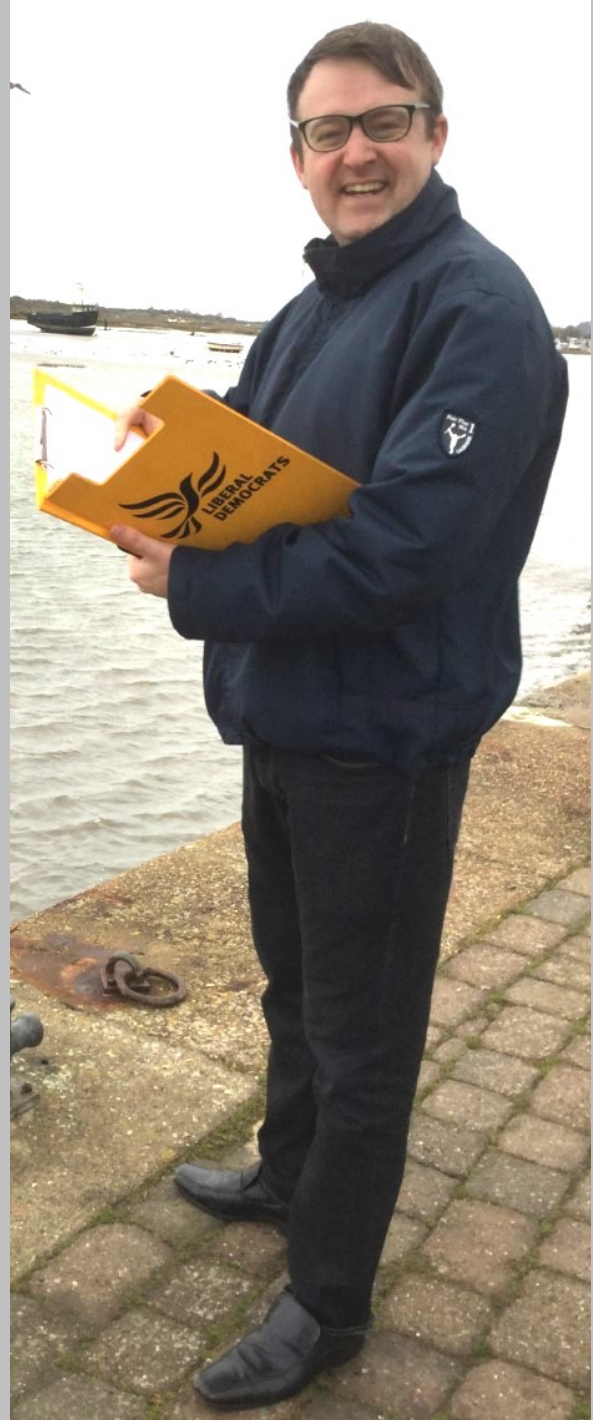
## **Ashley says.....**

Local people tell us they are fed up with Southend's Tory administration and are looking for a more hopeful future. We can do something about this on 2nd May. Winning here in Leigh would mean one fewer Tory on the Council, with a real chance that they will lose overall control and we can get some fresh ideas for running the town.

This is what I am fighting for:

- More police presence in Leigh and less crime. The police are taking a bigger slice of our Council Tax so we need to see more police here in Leigh.
- Supporting the local NHS. The rising elderly population, the threatened hospital merger and the shortage of GPs are placing extra stresses on the system. Southend Council needs to do more to help our local NHS services.
- Fighting greedy developers who want to fill Leigh with ever more flats. The Government bias the planning laws in favour of developers but, like Carole and Peter, I want to battle on behalf of residents to get better outcomes for Leigh.
- Campaigning to save and improve Leigh's valuable coastal environment and historical heritage. It is these, and Leigh's enthusiastic community, that make Leigh such a special place to live.

I know it will take time to put right the damage done by years of Tory austerity and neglect. But now is the time to start by ending one-Party Tory rule on Southend Council. **Above all, I want to work with Carole and Peter to keep Leigh special and a great place to live.**



**Carole and Peter say**

## ***Vote for Ashley***



***Leigh's Lib Dem Councillors Carole Mulroney and Peter Wexham say:***

*"We need Ashley to join our team of Lib Dem Councillors speaking up for Leigh. He is energetic, determined and working hard to make Leigh an even better place to live."*

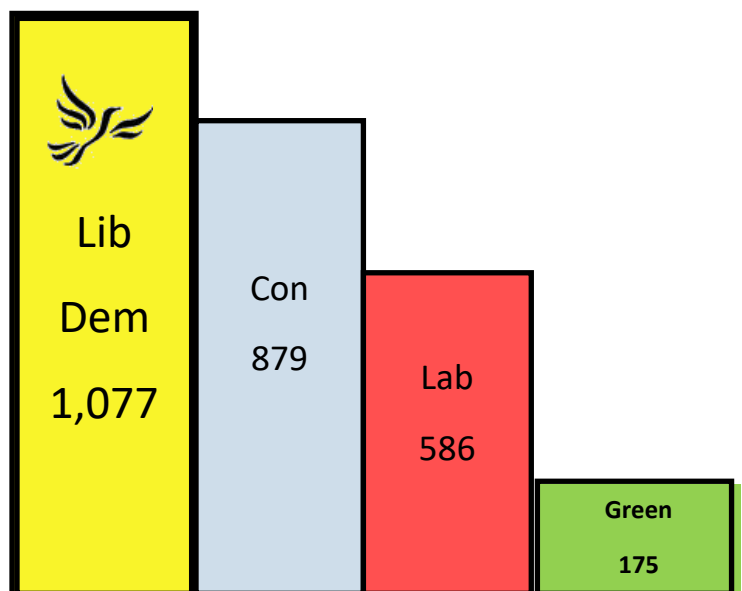
### ***It's a Two Horse Race***

***Only the Lib Dems beat the Tories in Leigh***

***Labour always come third***

Look at last year's Council election result in Leigh —

- ♦ In 2018 Lib Dem Carole Mulroney trounced her Tory opponent
- ♦ But this year it is a Tory defending the seat. **So let's make it a Tory loss and a Lib Dem gain and let us be the three for Leigh**



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