TORRIDGE GREEN PARTY GREEN INFO

ELECTIONS THURSDAY MAY 4TH 2023

The District, Town and Parish Councils are all up for election on Thursday 4th May.

We have a great slate for the District Council covering eight wards

Peter Christie* Bideford North
Peter Hames* Appledore
Wendy Lo-Vel Northam
Huw Thomas Bideford East

Rosemary Gent Monkleigh and Putford Tracey Beresford Milton and Tamarside

Keith Funnell Great Torrington Simon Mathers Bideford South

We also have the following candidates for Town and Parish

Peter Hames* Northam
Wendy Lo-Vel Northam
Peter Christie* Bideford

Rosemary Gent* Littleham and Landcross Lorraine Drake East and West Putford

Colin Jones Dolton

It is not too late to put yourself forward for election - the deadline is Tuesday 4th April at 4pm. If you are interested contact Keith Funnell (kfalandarch@ btinternet.com/01805 628256) and download the nomination papers from the Torridge District Council website. Parish Councils often have insufficient candidates in which case candidates are elected unopposed. The closing time and date to get your nomination papers in is 4 pm on Tuesday 4th April. **ACT NOW**

WHAT ELSE CAN YOU DO TO HELP

Do you have a spare hour or so to deliver leaflets in our target wards

Appledore, Bideford East, Bideford North, Monkleigh/Putford, Northam, or Torrington.

Contact me at ruth.funnell@btinternet.com or on 07522 528175 and I will pass your name to the relevant candidate. The leaflets for these wards arrive today (Thursday) and we need to get most through the doors by the time postal votes are sent out by TDC on 13th April. Spare the Greens an hour during the Easter break.

^{*} Currently elected.

Posters: If you can display a poster in your window or a stakeboard in your garden, again please contact me, especially if you live in a Target Ward

SOME OF OUR COUNCILLORS MOST RECENT ACHIEVEMENTS

Parish Councils can make a significant "Green" impact ,as can be seen from the Climate Event organised by Littleham and Landcross a couple of Saturdays ago which attracted about 100 people who were able to check their individual carbon footprints, help plant eight large trees to replace losses and for their children to take part in activities. It all helps to get people thinking about the environment and climate change.

Similarly Peter Hames and fellow councillors on Northam TC joined the children of Appledore School to plant a hedge after the Climate Committee he chairs obtained a grant to fund it. Small actions can make a big difference.

On TDC Peter Hames raised the use of concrete at the projected Clean Maritime Centre which material is not environmentally friendly with the officer responsible and, as a result, the amount of concete to be used has been halved. A great result.

Peter Christie is continuing to press for electric vehicles to be bought when replacements are needed for existing ones. The hunt is still on for suitable ones that can manage our Devon hills.

Hope to hear from you that you can help with the elections. Every effort helps no matter how small.

Ruth Funnell 30th March 2023