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District
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Special

District Council Elections Thursday 2nd May 2019

Vote for the local candidate



Clare Gamble

I will actively represent this ward and care about what happens here **because I live here**, in Wardlow, in the heart of the ward.

The last two elections in this ward have gone to an unopposed Conservative who lived near Barnsley.

The Conservative candidate this time is a Matlock resident who is also standing for Matlock Town Council. There was nothing stopping him standing for one of the 6 District Council seats in Matlock!

I was born in Derbyshire, descended from a long line of Peak District hill farmers. After graduating from Hull University with a degree in Social Policy I went on to work in the Civil Service and local government and later in the charity sector, including a spell managing a community transport scheme. I now run an engineering business with my husband.

In addition, I volunteer as an ambassador for Cressbrook Dale, where my duties include helping to look after a herd of Belted Galloway cattle. I also walk dogs at a local rescue centre.

I need your vote so that I can represent and campaign for the local ward. I will ask you for your views all the year round, not just at election time. One of my first actions will be to carry out a survey of the area to find out what your priorities are. Also, I intend to contact the Parish Councils and try to improve feedback from Parish to District Council.

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Demand Better from the District Council



More support for infrastructure If I had been your councillor I would have made the case for the Monsal Head toilets to stay open. The Monsal trail is one of the top attractions in the Peak District with thousands of families visiting each year. For the District Council to close one of only two public toilets on the whole trail was short sighted. The Peak District Park Authority have invested £230,000.00 at Millers Dale. They obviously appreciate the value of investing in the Monsal Trail and the income it brings to the local economy.

More affordable housing I want to encourage young people to stay in the dales. I understand the unique challenges that rural communities face. Most villages want affordable local needs housing, enabling their young people to stay in the area. If rural villages lose young people, they lose local schools and the income young people not only spend but generate. Without them villages can become places where the retired suffer isolation, with a high percentage of holiday/second homes. As a result communities can lose their vibrancy.



Less crime I am aware of speeding being an issue in the area. Having previously volunteered for the Community Speedwatch scheme in my own village I am aware of its value and will happily volunteer my services throughout the ward. I also hope to develop links with the local Police and Rural Crime Team to help us work smarter to defeat rural crime.



I will be supporting the Lib Dem policy of reducing charges in out of town car parks

I will do all I can to ensure people in the area are made aware of the local initiatives to help fund projects and advocate for local people to make sure they get it. I will certainly be looking to spend all my Local Council Projects Fund allocation in the ward.

I will oppose fracking in the National Park.

The more votes you give us and the more Liberal Democrat councillors you elect, the more of these priorities we can implement. Liberal Democrats believe in fairness, freedom, and justice. We are down-to-earth people, living and working in your local communities. We aim to consult, understand and listen.

The future of our rural community lies with young people. We need to encourage their involvement in political decision making and seek to overcome our country's growing problems, with economic uncertainty, inequality, debt and a housing crisis which conspires to deprive our young people of a permanent home.