

We will

- **Listen and act on the concerns of residents** - too often the public's views expressed in consultations have had little or no influence on the plans and actions of the district council (eg the local plan, car parking charges or closure of toilets).
- **Campaign against continuing government spending cuts** - these are seriously affecting local council spending.
- **Demand transparency in planning** - encourage development within existing towns, rather than extending them. Insist on brown field sites are developed first for housing, retail or employment use and for small scale schemes in other villages, rather than overburdening local services. Insist that developers build the required ratio of affordable homes to help sustain existing communities and encourage young people to stay in the Dales.
- **Seek to maximise the energy efficiency of all new homes** - making them close to being zero-carbon and cheaper to heat.
- **Be proactive on the environment** - protect and respect our environment and ensure there are effective procedures in place to monitor and record air quality and take measures to protect our countryside and biodiversity.
- **Improve street cleaning** - by working closely with the county council on street and gully cleaning and with other community groups on litter picking.
- **Oppose Fracking** - in those areas of the district where licences are available within the Derbyshire Dales.
- **Encourage investment in our communities** - invest in and promote the local area to increase the number of higher wage jobs and encourage owners of brownfield sites to develop them, creating further business opportunities.
- **Introduce a reduced parking charge** in out of town car parks and with a free first 30 minutes in town centre car parks to help boost local businesses and tourism.
- **Develop closer links with the police** - enabling us to work smarter and to make the Dales a safer place for both residents and visitors.
- **Identify ways in which young people can become more involved** in local decision making, by engaging with them and encouraging them to have a say in their future.

On Thursday 2nd May please vote for



Paul CRUISE



Steve FLITTER



David HUGHES



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on Matlock St Giles & Tansley April 2019

District Council Election Special

District Council Elections Thursday 2nd May 2019

Your LOCAL candidates *Remember you have 3 votes!*



Paul Cruise Paul is married to Liz, who is a teacher at Highfields School and they live in Matlock with their two teenage sons. Paul has worked in aerospace for the last ten years and previously spent 15 years in specialised industrial equipment. He has a keen interest in democracy and ensuring a fair and open planning system that carefully considers and protects our local environment and green fields. He also believes that more could be done to help local small businesses thrive, creating jobs and wealth in our communities.



Steve Flitter I have been involved in community life since I was 12 years old and have always been passionate about family life, our environment and giving local people a voice in local decisions. Now retired after a career in selling and finance, I find it rewarding talking to residents, getting involved with important issues and helping those in need. After 34 years on the council my record of action speaks for itself and having achieved many roles on the council my one aim is to serve the people of Matlock, Tansley, Starkholmes and Riber.



David Hughes David is married to Jo who runs a specialised education centre. They live in Matlock and have three children and three grandchildren. David works with the United Nations to help developing countries build businesses and services in I.T. and Telecommunications, helping communities to get broadband, by negotiating with various local authorities and development agencies.

Liberal Democrats believe in Freedom, Fairness and Justice. We are all down to earth people, living and working in our communities and aim to continue to consult, listen and understand the issues raised.

Now is not the time to elect councillors who do not interact and who fail to contribute to local decision making, at a time when the future of our communities are at a crossroads as the government continues to cut funding to local councils. It is important you are represented by people with skills to speak out and put local people first.

Liberal Democrat councillors have a proud tradition in local government. Local Liberal Democrats have regularly delivered Focus leaflets over the past 40 years keeping you in touch with issues affecting local people. More importantly we give you the chance to ask us questions, let us know of problems and make suggestions, not just at election time, but all year round.

Liberal Democrats "demand better" from the District council. We need your three votes so that we can campaign for our following priorities, we will continue to inform you about our action on your behalf and ask for your views. The more votes you give us means a better chance of this programme of being implemented.

Liberal Democrats for an open, tolerant and united Britain