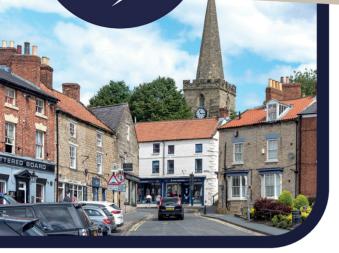
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# Liberal Party Assembly,

#### Pickering, North Yorkshire 7th October 2023

Liberal Party members converged on the Pickering Memorial Hall in North Yorkshire for the annual assembly.

There was an informative and lively debate as attendees both in the hall and connected via a Zoom video call joined dicussions. We are grateful for the hospitality showed by Cllr Joy Andrews and Mick Potter from the local association.

#### Delays to the Parliamentary Ombudsman Report on Pension Changes for Women

The Liberal Party notes with considerable disappointment the continued delays to the publication of the Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman (PHSO) report into changes to the state pension for women and the financial hardship this has caused.

Changes to pension entitlement meant that 3.8 million women born in the 1950's saw their age of entitlement raised without proper consultation or publicity.

The Liberal Party notes with considerable This gave many insufficient time to plan disappointment the continued delays to ahead and make further financial provision the publication of the Parliamentary and for their retirement.

Continue delays in closing the gender pay gap further disadvantages women in funding their pension provision and maintaining financial independence.

The Liberal Party fully supports the Women Against State Pension Inequality (WASPI) in their campaign for justice and compensation for the financial distress they have find themselves in.

#### **Liberals Supporting Armistice Day** Jouncillor Billy Lake and Alan Stee

Councillor Billy Lake and Alan Steele at their local Armistice Day events.





### Liberal Party Leadership & NEC Elections

The elections for party leader and the NEC are due in the Autumn of 2023 A Nomination officer will need to be appointed and an agreement on the number of signatures required for nominations and the process advertised in Liberal News.

- The nomination window will be between the 1st November till the 31st December 2023.
- A total of 20 nominations will be required for the election of the Party Leader.
- A total of 3 nominations will be required for admission to the NEC for which the party constitution allows 20 members.

We would ask that all nominations are e-mailed to:

NECElections@liberal.org.uk

Once the tally of nominations has been completed, the Secretary of the NEC will be advised if any elections need to be held.

It is envisaged the newly elected NEC will hold its first open meeting on the 3rd February 2024 at Christ Church, Sandiford Close, Leeds, LS15 8EY.

### Liberal Party preparations for a



### **General Election in 2024**

The party is keen to hear from anybody wishing to stand as a Liberal Party candidate in the anticipated General Election in May 2024.

### **Peace for Palestine**

Cllr Steve Radford and members supported the Peace for Palestine March in Liverpool



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