

LIBERAL/LIBERAL DEMOCRAT PARLIAMENTARY CANDIDATES

in the

SOUTH WEST REGION 1945-2024

Constituencies in the counties of Dorset, Gloucestershire, Somerset and Wiltshire

SECTION ONE: LIBERAL AND LIBERAL DEMOCRAT CANDIDATES 1945-2024

SECTION TWO: SDP CANDIDATES in the GENERAL ELECTIONS of 1983 and 1987

PREFACE

The Index for the Southwest Region has been relatively straightforward to compile compared with some others. Many of the constituencies have been contested repeatedly by the same candidates over several elections. Some of those elected to Westminster remained MPs over three or more parliaments. There have been surprisingly few 'single contest' candidates. Few constituencies have been left uncontested for long even in the most barren periods in Party fortunes. Another helpful factor has been the small number of changes of constituency names. More than 30 candidates have fought constituencies in other regions. Though the region has not been over-endowed with eminent Party figures, several outstanding personalities, including a former Party Leader, are afforded extended entries.

By prior agreement with the Green Party, the Liberal Democrats did not nominate candidates for the constituencies of Bristol West, Forest of Dean or Stroud at the General Election of 2019.

Lionel King, October 2024

THE MARTELL PLAN

The Martell Plan, mentioned in passing throughout the regional directories was an electoral strategy adopted by the Liberal Party for the General Election of 1950. It was named after Edward Martell qv (Greater London), a party 'grandee' of the immediate post-war years who advocated the nomination of over 150 additional candidates in constituencies which had little or no Liberal organization nor history of Liberal activity in recent years. Most were adopted only days before nominations closed, many at the eleventh hour. Martell's objective was to increase the Liberal challenge to a level at which the Party would be enabled to form a government, presuming enough MPs were elected. His supporters, among them enthusiastic younger Party members including Jeremy Thorpe, Isaac Hyam qqv, believed that a steadily growing number of adoptions being announced in the media would create a momentum of its own in the minds of the electorate.

The goal of fighting every mainland constituency in the UK was finally achieved appropriately under the leadership of Jeremy Thorpe at the General Election of October 1974. The broad front was reduced, marginally, at the following election of 1979. In both 1983 and 1987 the Liberals and their allies, the SDP, each contested roughly 50% of the UK parliamentary constituencies, avoiding contests against each other save in a handful of cases. Since 1992 the Liberal Democrats have contested every constituency in mainland UK, save for that held by The Speaker and a handful of other instances, at every successive general election. In recent times Party nominees who are nominated at the last minute in unpromising constituencies, simply to show the flag, have come to be termed 'paper candidates.' Virtually every candidate at recent general elections, however, has been approved by the Party's Parliamentary Candidates' Committee and adopted according to formal procedure.

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KEY TO ABBREVIATIONS

This key omits many commonly used, standard abbreviations.

b h s	boys high school
coll	college
comp s	comprehensive school
elem s	elementary school
g s	grammar school
g h s	girls high school
g-t	grammar-tech
h s	high school
j s	junior school
lect	lecturer
s	school
s s	schools/state school
sec s	secondary school
sen s	senior school
u s	upper school
FE	Further Education
HE	Higher Education
ILEA	Inner London Education Authority
LSE	London School of Economics
TTC	Teacher Training College
U	University
UMIST	University of Manchester Institute of Technology
appt	appointment/appointed
assn	association
asst	assistant
bus	business
Ch Acc	Chartered Accountant
Ch Eng	Chartered Engineer
co	company
comp	computer
cons	consultant/consultancy
corr	correspondent
cttee/s	committee/s
dir	director
dpty	deputy
dvpmt	development
eng	engineer/engineering
exec	executive

incl	including
ind	industry
ins	insurance
inst	institute/institution
int	international
IT	Information Technology
mark	marketing
mbr	member
PR	public relations
prog	programme
rep	representative
reg	region/regional
ret	retired
sec	secretary
t'nology	technology

ald	alderman
cand	candidate
C	Council
CC	County Council
cllr	councillor
DC	District Council
GLA	Greater London Assembly
GLC	Greater London Council
grp	group
ldr	leader
LBC	London Borough Council
LCC	London County Council
MBC	Metropolitan/Municipal Borough Council
PC	Parish Council/Privy Counsellor
RDC	Rural District Council
TC	Town Council
UA	Unitary Authority
UDC	Urban District Council

CB	Member of the Order of the Bath
CH	Companion of Honour
CMG	Companion of the Most Distinguished Order of St Michael & St George
DFC	Distinguished Flying Cross
FRCP	Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians
FRSE	Fellowship of the Royal Society of Edinburgh
GCMG	Knight Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of St Michael & St George
KCMG	Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of St Michael & St George
OM	Order of Merit

ALDE	Alliance of Liberals & Democrats for Europe
ALTU	Association of Liberal Trade Unionists
AM	Member of the Welsh Assembly (up to 2020)
AMMA	Assistant Masters' & Mistresses' Association (Now Assoc of Teachers & Lecturers)
APNI	Alliance Party of Northern Ireland
BALF	Birmingham Area Liberal Federation
BLO	Birmingham Liberal Organisation
CAB	Citizens' Advice Bureau
CPRE	Campaign for Rural England
EETPU	Electrical Electronic Telecommunications & Plumbing Union
ELD	European Liberal Democrats
LA	Liberal Association
LDA	Liberal Democrat Association
LDN	Liberal Democrat News
LDV	Lib Dem Voice
LGBTQ+	lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender queer and others
LIB INT	Liberal International
MLA	Member of the Northern Ireland Legislative Assembly
MPA	Member of the Northern Ireland Assembly (1982-86 – Member of the Parliamentary Assembly)
MS	Member of the Senedd Cymru – Welsh Parliament (from 2020)
MSP	Member of the Scottish Parliament
NALGO	National Association of Local Government Officers (now UNISON)
NAS	National Association of Schoolmasters
NASUWT	National Association of Schoolmasters/Union of Women Teachers (since 2015 The Teachers' Union)
NATFHE	National Association of Teachers in Further/Higher Education
NCB	National Coal Board
NFU	National Farmers Union
NIA	Northern Ireland Assembly
NIF	Northern Ireland Forum
NLC	National Liberal Club
NUJ	National Union of Journalists
NUT	National Union of Teachers
PCA	Parliamentary Candidates Association
PCC	Police & Crime Commissioner
PFCC	Police, Fire & Crime Commissioner
PPC	Prospective Parliamentary Candidate
RAMC	Royal Army Medical Corps
RASC	Royal Army Service Corps
RNVR	Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve
SDP	Social Democratic Party
S of S	Secretary of State
TA	Territorial Army
TGWU	Transport & General Workers Union

ULP	Ulster Liberal Party
ULS	Union of Liberal Students
US	Under Secretary
USDAW	Union of Shop, Distributive & Allied Workers
WHO	World Health Organisation
WLD	Women Lib Dems
WMLF	West Midland(s) Liberal Federation
WMRP	West Midland Regional Party
YLS/YLDS	Young Liberals/Liberal Democrats

Party refers to the Liberal Party / Liberal Democrats, unless otherwise stated.

Parliamentary elections fought by a candidate in the Index of any individual region appear in bold type thus: **Bath 1959**. Constituencies fought by a candidate in other regions appear in standard type. The names of many constituencies have changed over the years as a result of parliamentary boundary changes.

BIOGRAPHICAL DIRECTORY OF CANDIDATES

SECTION ONE

LIBERAL AND LIBERAL DEMOCRAT CANDIDATES 1945-2024

AINSLIE, Jack, b Stanmore, Middlesex 1921, ed Harrow, Oxford U, service WW II; arable, dairy and sheep farmer, Wiltshire; inspired to join Party by Jo Grimond; passionately devoted to ideals of state education, Europe and World Development; cllr Wiltshire CC 1964-93 Chair, Education Comm, 1973-1977, Chair CC 1984-89 and effectively leader; Euro cand 1984; widely respected across party lines; d 2007; **Devizes 1974 Oct, 1979**

ALDRIDGE, Dudley George, b 1925, ed Worcester Tech Coll; dir of property co; cllr Gloucestershire CC (Ald) Cheltenham BC, Mayor; deceased; **Cheltenham 1970**

ALLEN, Benet, b Taunton, TV journalist, helicopter pilot, charity fund raiser, works for local coach co; Somerset West & Taunton DC; cand for Police & Crime Commissioner 2024; interests incl policing, crime prevention, local transport, housing; **Filton & Bradley Stoke 2024**

ALLEN, George R., b 1923, ed Bablake s, Coventry, Oxford U, economist; at an abysmal time in Liberal fortunes, he marginally raised his percentage share of the vote in his first two contests; he appears to have dropped out of political activity in his mid 30s; Abingdon by-e 1953, 1955 (South Central Region), **Bath 1959**

ALLHUSEN, (Major) Desmond, b 1896; distinguished service WW I/II; left voluminous papers relating to his service experiences; mbr Fellow Royal Economic Society; author *Britain's Handicap in the Economic Race with Russia* (1961) etc; of striking military bearing/appearance; lived Beaminster, Dorset; d 1977; **Bristol West 1945**

AMOS, Gideon John, OBE, grew up Somerset, lives Taunton Deane; ed Wells Cath s, Oxford Poly; architect, Chief Exec, Town & Country Planning Assn 2000-10; advocate of the 'garden city' concept; cllr Oxford City C 1992-96; other interests incl renewable energy policies, tidal energy; aiding the disadvantaged in society; spokesperson in Commons on Housing and Planning 2024-25, Housing & Communities 2025-; **Taunton Deane 2017, 2019, Taunton & Wellington 2024; MP 2024-**

ANDREWARTHA, Dennis A., b 1948? engineer working in India, Pakistan etc; Berkeley Power Station; Gloucestershire CC, Stroud DC; lived Cam; ret 2014; interests incl tax reform, education, reform of House of Lords, climate change, efficiency of governance; **Stroud 2010**

ANGUS, Roger M., b 1943, ed Winchester, Oxford U; sen lect; **West Dorset 1974 Feb, Oct**

ASHDOWN, Rt Hon John Jeremy Durham, (Paddy), later Lord A. of Norton-sub-Hamdon, GCMG, CH, KBE, PC, b New Delhi, India 1941, where his father was a professional soldier; grew up in Northern Ireland, ed Bedford s., Language School, Hong Kong; polyglot linguist; service Royal Marines 1959-72, on active duty in Borneo, Belfast etc; was in his day almost certainly the very last MP to have had combat experience; Foreign Office 1971-76, with Senior Intelligence MI6, First Sec British Mission,

UN Geneva; later Westland Helicopters 1976-78, Manager, Morlands 1978-81, Dorset CC officer 1981-83.

Originally a Labour supporter, Paddy Ashdown joined the Liberals in 1975 and was elected MP in 1983. He soon became Party Commons spokesman on Trade and Industry, later Education, Science and Northern Ireland. He was elected the first Leader of the merged parties, styled the Liberal Democrats, 1988-1999. Starting from the absolute nadir of public support, he lifted the Liberal Democrats to a new peak of success in terms of MPs elected, eventually leading the Party, greater in numbers, than at any time since the 1920s. An approachable, listening and caring individual, he attracted wide support for the Lib Dems, impressing the Party rank-and-file with his inexhaustible energy, keen sense of humour and optimism. Deep-thinking, with a remarkable gift for predicting the outcome of mistaken government policy decisions, he was often unjustly accused in the media of addressing the House of Commons as if delivering a sermon. Critics also unnecessarily dwelt upon his habit, an indication of his intense concentration, of closing his eye lids to slits while delivering an address. He early on declared himself opposed to the deployment of cruise missiles.

After the 1992 General Election, despairing at the likelihood of a fifth Conservative victory in succession, Paddy approached the then Labour Opposition Leader, John Smith, on possible closer co-operation between the two parties. Smith showed no interest. After the untimely death of the latter, Paddy approached his successor, Tony Blair, who was more amenable. 'Realignment of the left' had been advocated in vain over 25 years earlier by party ldr Jo Grimond qv (Scotland). Discrete negotiations, subsequently referred to as 'the project,' continued over a long period on limited local agreements on tactical withdrawal of candidates at by-elections, common policies, PR etc. Though the emphatic Labour victory at the 1997 General Election brought an abrupt end to 'the project,' it was the hour of Paddy's greatest achievement with the number of Lib-Dem MPs rising from 20 to 46. After eight years as Leader, he now intimated his wish to handover to a successor, though some observers suggest that under his continued leadership, the Party might have been real contenders for power at the next general election. He was awarded the honour of KBE in 2000 and a Peerage in 2001, giving way as Party Leader to Charles Kennedy qv (Scotland).

Paddy had made repeated warnings about the deteriorating situation arising from the breakup of the former Yugoslavia, calling for concerted action by Europe and NATO to prevent genocide and a bloodbath. He emphasised that the carnage of World War I had occurred after an outrage in the Balkans city of Sarajevo and that, as in 1914, Europe could not ignore now what was happening on its doorstep. During the escalating tragedy he was appointed U.N. High Representative in Bosnia Herzegovina 2002-06, despite being in grave personal danger throughout, he successfully brought the warring parties to the negotiating table. He was later to testify in the war crimes trial of the notorious Slobodan Milosevich.

He maintained a high-profile in the Lords, the country and in the media, where he distinguished himself with the public with his conciliatory, non-confrontational style of debate. He was awarded with further honours of GCMG 2006 and CH 2015. Appointed Party Campaign Director in advance of the 2015 General Election, some of his decisions during the campaign were strongly criticised. His media tribute to Nick Clegg's leadership immediately after the disastrous results of the local government and European Elections in 2014, did much to restore Party morale though some elements in the press continued to make vicious personal attacks upon him. There were reports

that while PM, Gordon Brown offered him a Cabinet post within the Labour Government as Northern Ireland Secretary c2007, which the Party Ldr Menzies Campbell qv (Scotland) is said to have advised him to decline. At the 2015 General Election when exit polls predicted that the Lib Dems would retain only ten MPs during TV studio coverage of the results, Paddy retorted “I’ll eat my hat!” a promise which he fulfilled later by publicly consuming a specially prepared chocolate hat.

His *Diaries 1988-97* (pub Allen Lane 2001) contain full details of his negotiations over ‘the project’ with Blair and make for compelling reading. His autobiography *A Fortunate Life* (Aurum, 2010) was widely acclaimed; towards the end of his life he wrote books on episodes in World War II, *A Brilliant Little Operation* (Aurum, 2012) and *The Cruel Victory* (Collins, 2014) and *Nein* (Collins, 2019) which in the opinion of informed commentators, place him in the front rank of military historians; arguably the most effective leader the Party has had in modern times; m 1962 Jane, Courtenay; after his untimely death, 22/12/18, he received a flood of tributes in obituaries from colleagues and opponents alike which was remarkable for a political figure who had been subject to so much disparagement, denigration, ridicule and intermittent periods of total disregard by the media during his career in the Commons; **Yeovil, 1979, 1983, 1987, 1992, 1997; MP 1983-2001**; See *Dictionary of Liberal Biography*

ASPINWALL, Jack, b Bootle 1933, ed Prescott g s, Lancashire, Marconi Coll, Chelmsford; RAF service co dir; Avon CC, Kingswood DC; claiming that the overriding priority was the defeat of socialism, he subsequently joined the Conservatives for whom he fought and won Kingswood 1979; MP 1979- 83, then Wansdyke 1983-97; in the Commons, despite his Liberal antecedents, he was distinguished for his fiercely right-wing opinions on many issues, capital punishment, termination of pregnancies, opposed sanctions against South Africa, welcomed Reagan’s invasion of Grenada, praised Ceausescu regime in Rumania, against provision of camp sites to gypsies, compared Israeli treatment of Palestinians with actions of Nazi Germany etc; author of series of anthologies of after dinner speeches; d 2015; **Kingswood 1974 Feb, Oct**

ASTON, (Captain) Richard William Thomas, b Weymouth 1906, ed Weymouth g s; formerly with GWR; army service as officer WW II; in Normandy landings; with Allied Control Commission, Germany 1946-49; d 1971; **Devizes 1950**

AYLIFFE, Eric Barnett, b 1899, d Hampshire 1983; **Stroud 1955**

BALLAM, Herbert C. R., b 1911, ed Poole g s, Imperial Coll, London U; alderman, sheriff, Mayor of Poole MBC; **Poole 1964**

BALLARD, Jackie Margaret, née Mackenzie, b Dunoon, Scotland, 1953 family moved to South Wales ed Haberdashers’ Monmouth g s, LSE; posts with for charity organisations; South Somerset DC 1987-91, Somerset CC 1993-97; encouraged to stand for Parliament by Paddy Ashdown; strong character; took uncomplimentary personal remarks in her stride eg ‘she has a good face for radio’, ‘too fat to be an MP,’ the second quip attributed to Auberon Waugh; in Commons, spokesperson on Women’s Issues, dpty Home Affairs spokesperson 1999-2001; highly vocal in opposition to blood sports, a courageous position to take as MP for a constituency considered to be a centre of such activities, and probably a major factor in the eventual loss of her seat by the narrowest of margins;

unsuccessful contender in Party Leadership election 1999; after defeat made several visits to Iran writing a thesis and studying Farsi; speculated on how attitudes to women MPs would change if they were compelled to wear the chador; later as Dir Gen of RSPCA, she restored its finances, later briefly Chief Exec of RNID and Womankind Worldwide; served on Ind Parliamentary Standards Comm 2009-12; performed an hilarious double act with Lembit Opik MP qv (Wales) at social gatherings during Party Assemblies, in one comedy exchange claiming his name was comprised of random Scrabble tiles; her early exit from the Commons was a significant loss to the Party; m Derek B. 1975-89; **Taunton 1992, 1997, 2001; MP 1997-2001**; see *Dictionary of Liberal Biography*

BANERJI, Reetendra Nath, b West London, of Hindu ancestry; management cons with own co; formerly asst headmaster; worked in USA; interests incl health, education; **Salisbury 2015**

BANKS, Ronald E. J., b 1933, ed John Ruskin g s, Croydon, RAF Coll, Cranwell; finance cons, lect in economics; Croydon North West 1964, 1966, 1970 (Greater London), **Chippenham 1974 Feb, Oct 1979**

BARNARD, Dr Kay; farmer/landowner; PhD in Biochemistry; worked with farmers in Uganda; Euro cand 2009, 2014; active Bridgwater & Sedgmoor LDA; mbr Somerset Coast NHS Trust; **Bristol South 2005**

BARON, Christina b 1950, ed St Andrew's, City U; home help organiser; Wells MBC, cand for Mendip DC 2019; committed Christian; chair/mbr various bodies of Diocese of Bath & Wells; wife of Alan Butt Philip qv; **Bridgwater 1979**

BARRINGTON, (Brigadier) Guy Leonard Gresham, b 1902, ed Sandhurst; served india, Burma WWII; later farmer at Hawkhurst; Axminster RDC; active with NFU, British Legion; d 1975; Honiton 1950 (Devon & Cornwall Region), **Taunton 1955**

BATEMAN, (Major) James Douglas, ed London U; service WW II; deceased; **Yeovil 1945**

BEASLEY, Janice Joanna Summers b 1945, ed Westcliff s, Weston, Hartley Hodder School of Drama, Bristol; actress, stage, radio, TV; mbr Actors Equity, National Trust; active Bridgwater, Sedgemoor LDAs; committed European; **Stroud 2001**

BECKERLEGGE, Philip T., b 1942, ed Tapton House g s, Chesterfield; partner in firm of solicitors; Cotswolds DC; Chair, Western Counties Regional Party; campaigned over 25 years; Pres, Western Region Party; LPO Exec; interested in housing; his father Phillip B. snr fought Sheffield, Heeley qv (Yorkshire Region) in 1950; **Cirencester & Tewkesbury 1979, 1983, 1987, Cotswold 2005**

BELCHER, Helen Clare, OBE, b Reading 1963, ed g s, Leeds U; long resident of Chippenham; qualified teacher, later businesswoman with own software firm; transitioned 2004; campaigner for LGBTQ+, tighter press regulation; co-founder 2010 Trans Media Watch; Wiltshire CC; interests incl education, environment, community facilities; **Chippenham 2017, 2019**, Reading West and Mid Berkshire 2024 (South Central Region)

BELL, Matt, teacher, born and bred locally, local cllr, community activist; interests incl economic growth, improved health services, the environment; **South Dorset 2024**

BELL, Mike; runs small business; local activist, North Somerset DC; **Woodspring 2005, Weston-super-Mare 2010, 2017**

BIDWELL, Charles J., ed Stonyhurst Coll of Law; barrister; **Bristol South 1979**

BLACKBURN, Mark, b 1958, ed Bradfield Coll, LSE; management posts in shoe ind, later property manager; son of David B., Heston & Isleworth, (Greater London) 1974 Feb, grandson of Cyril B. Islington North (Greater London) 1935, Tiverton (Devon & Cornwall) 1945, 1950; joined Liberals 1977, officer Westminster LDA; interest incl small businesses; autobiography *Final Approach* (2023); now lives Barrington; Westminster North 2010 (Greater London); **Somerton & Frome 2017**

BLACKMORE, Roger B., b 1941 ed Abingdon s, Shebbear Coll, North Devon, Leicester U; career with Imperial Typewriters; coll lect; cllr Leicester MBC 1993-2011 ldr 2003-004, 2005-07, Lord Mayor 2009-10; Gainsborough 1970, 1974 Feb, Oct, (East Midlands) North Devon 1983 (Devon & Cornwall), **Wansdyke 1987**

BOAIT, Janet Elizabeth (Liz), b 1950, ed City s for Girls, Guildford, Southampton U, Sussex U; cons, lect; cllr Forest of Dean DC, LD grp ldr, Gloucestershire CC; strongly in favour of regional assemblies; **West Gloucestershire 1992**

BONHAM-CARTER, Lady Violet, DBE, née Asquith, later Baroness B-C of Yarnbury, b London 1887; daughter of Herbert H. A., Liberal Prime Minister 1908-16; immersed in Liberal politics from her childhood; ed by governesses and abroad; m Sir Maurice B-C, mother of Mark B-C qv (Devon & Cornwall Region), Laura B-C qv (Scotland); mother-in-law of Jo Grimond qv (Scotland), Liberal Leader 1956-66; began speaking publicly in support of her father c 1919; after his death in 1928 dedicated her life to preservation of his memory and of Asquithian Liberalism; became one of the foremost women public orators of her age; a life-long friend of Winston Churchill, sharing anti-Hitler, anti-appeasement, anti-fascist platforms with him in 1930s as mbr of the Focus Group; also passionate advocate of his ideal of a Federal Europe; Churchill ensured her a straight fight at Colne Valley in 1951 where she lost to her Labour opponent by just 4.3%; her intense antipathy to David Lloyd-George, her father's successor, for dividing the Liberal Party in 1918, was transferred to his daughter, Lady Megan LI-G, post-WW II; entered Lords 1964; well-known radio/TV broadcaster; Governor of BBC, Old Vic 1945-69; President Women's Lib Fed 1923-25, 1939-45; LPO President 1945-47; kept diaries throughout her life, posthumously published; author *Winston Churchill As I Knew Him* (1965); d 1969; she figures in Lib Dem History Group booklet *Mothers of Liberty* (2012); **Wells 1945**, Colne Valley 1951 (Yorkshire Region); see *Dictionary of Liberal Biography*

BONEY, Charles R., b 1950, ed Felstead s, Bristol U; teacher; formerly Labour contesting Salisbury 1979; subsequently joined Lib Dems; Euro cand 1989; Bristol City C grp ldr; **Bristol West 1992, 1997**

BOOKER, John Mackarness, b 1910, ed Eton, Oxford U; schoolmaster; LPO Council; d 1986; **Salisbury 1955, 1959**

BOURKE, Terence Patrick, 10th EARL of MAYO in the Irish Peerage, b Gosforth, Northumberland 1929; served in Fleet Air Arm; originally Conservative, Gosforth MBC 1961-1964; joined Liberal Party for brief period 1964; later moved to Ireland to manage family marble quarry; printer, co dir; later bred deer on his French estate; remembered as an aloof individual, highly opinionated, in sharp

disagreement with some key Party policies, particularly co-partnership; d Mondebat, Gers, France 2006; **South Dorset 1964**

BOURNE, Judith M., b 1937, ed Dr Challoner's g s, Amersham, Middlesex Hospital, State Registered Nurse; **North Somerset 1974 Feb, Oct**

BOYDEN, Adam, b London, ed U of East Anglia, Oxford Brookes U; environmental officer working on planning and development projects; Frome DC; lives Bath; **Kingswood 2015, Somerton & Frome 2019**

BRADLEY, Steve, b Northern Ireland, ed U of Bath, full time Pres of Students' U; Bath resident since 2005; management graduate; worked for Procter Gamble, Walt Disney Co; later business cons in sustainable regeneration; interests incl transport, environment, heritage issues; electric car enthusiast; **Bath 2015**

BRAYBROOKE, (Major) Arthur Rossi, b 1902, ed Shrewsbury House s, St Paul's s, RMC, Sandhurst; WW II service in India, seconded to RAF; sales dir; later left party to set up short-lived right-wing political groupings and fighting further elections; d 1989; **Chippenham 1955, Guildford 1959** (Southeast Region)

BREWER, Geoff C. b Cornwall 1951; environmental cons; joined Party from Greens 1994; Chippenham TC; Reg Sec Western Counties Libs; long involvement in athletics, coaching, admin; lives Devizes; **Swindon South 2001, Kingswood 2005**

BRIGHTON, Ronald W., nurseryman/flowerist; Bath MBC; deceased; **Thornbury 1945**

BROOKE, Rt Hon Dame Annette Lesley, DBE, PC, née Kelly, b Hornchurch, Essex 1947, ed Romford Tech s, LSE, Cambridge U; lect Open U; cllr Poole BC 1986-2003, council dpty ldr 1995-97, 1998-2000, Mayor 1997-98; taught economics Talbot Heath s to 1995; in Commons spokesperson for Children, Young People and Families 2006-10, Education, 2005-06; deputy whip 2001-04; Chair Parliamentary Party 2013-15; Vice-Pres WLD 2004-08; partner with her husband in a co which traded in minerals and gemstones; she retired from Westminster at the 2015 General Election; PC 2015; d 2025; **Mid Dorset & North Poole 2001, 2005, 2010; MP 2001-2015**

BROOMFIELD, David T., b 1930, ed elem s, Ringwood RDC, mbr UPOW; **South Dorset 1974 Feb**

BROWN, Andrew, works in financial services; local resident, community activist since 2010; cllr BristolCity C; mbr LDA Exec; interests incl Human and Civil rights, climate change, empowerment, co-operation; **Bristol South 2019, Kingswood by-e 2024, Bristol South 2024**

BROWNE, Jeremy R., b Islington 1970; as a child grew up in several countries; ed Bedales s, Nottingham U, Pres Students' U; entered financial cons Communications Worldwide, Reputation Inc; personal assistant 1993 to Alan Beith qv (Northeast Region) later Party Director of Press and Broadcasting with Paddy Ashdown, Charles Kennedy; spokesman on Foreign Affairs 2005-10; in coalition government M of S at the Foreign and Commonwealth Office 2010-2012, M of S at the Home Office; firmly of the Orange Book wing of Party; had easy style of presentation on TV broadcasts; Enfield, Southgate (Greater London) 1997, **Taunton 2005, Taunton Deane 2010; MP 2005-2015**

BRUCE, Peter, lives Winterbourne, worked in science/eng, incl Airbus; interested in environmental sustainability, improvements to public transport; volunteer with local groups; **Filton & Bradley Stoke 2015**

BRUTON, Charles Meddon Karslake, b 1918, ed Royal Naval College, Dartmouth; retired naval commander, farmer; LPO Council; took over candidature from Edwin Malindine qv in the highly marginal North Cornwall, thought to be at General Election of 1964 the Liberals' best chance of gaining a seat; said to have been casual and lack lustre in his campaigning, a laid back, 'greetings old boy!' type, unsuited to the constituency; a protégé of Jeremy Thorpe who engineered his nomination; LPO Council; Thorpe was furious at his narrow failure to win; lived Wellington; **Taunton 1959**, North Cornwall 1964 (Devon & Cornwall Region)

BULLAMORE, Tim John; *Times* journalist; Bath and North East Somerset DC; **Gloucester 2001**

BURROWS, D. R. F., **Bristol South 1974 Oct**

BURWELL, Barbara, b 1929, ed Malvern, Bristol U; research chemist; Vice-Chair NLYLs; **Bath 1955**

BUSSEY, Rev Dennis, b 1932, ed Rostrick g s, Yorkshire, London U, Birmingham U; probation officer/Methodist minister; preached in USA; a self-proclaimed rebel, he refused to sign a pledge against strong drink; dutifully stood down as PPC in 1993 in favour of Diana Maddock qv; his wife Ruth served on Dorset CC; **Christchurch 1992**

BUTT-PHILIP, Dr Alan A. S., b 1945, ed Eton, U of Bath, Oxford U, Pres of Union 1965-66; leading academic for 40 years at U of Bath School of Management; convenor John Stuart Mill Inst; co-author 2012 *The China-Latin America Axis*; contributor to *Journal of Liberal History*; Euro cand 1979; lead cand for Welsh Lib Dems Euro elections 2009; m Christina Baron qv; **Wells 1974 Feb, Oct, 1979, 1983, 1987**

BUTT-PHILIP, Theo, b 1983; communications cons in property sector; determined campaigner; lives Bridgwater, local MBC, Mayor of Wells; **Bridgwater & West Somerset 2010, 2015**

BYERS, (Lt Col) Charles Frank, later Lord B. of Lingfield, OBE, PC, DL, C. de G., b Wallasey 1915, grew up in Potters Bar, North London, ed Westminster s, Oxford U; graduate in Politics, Philosophy and Economics; exchange scholar Milton academy, USA; Pres ULS, Pres U Liberal Club; entered Grays Inn but left early to enlist; very distinguished WW II record, several decorations; said to have adopted a right-wing stance in the early years of leadership of Clement Davies qv (Wales) appointed Party Chief Whip in Commons 1946-50, after resignation and defection of left-leaning Tom Horabin qv (Devon & Cornwall); lost seat by 97 votes in 1950 due to Labour intervention; his promising career, to his eternal disappointment, was thus aborted at a very early stage when he was just 35 years old; long-time member LPO Exec; his candidature at Bolton in which he polled a highly creditable 24.8% in a close three corner contest, at last put paid to the controversial local entente with Bolton Conservatives qv Arthur Holt (Northwest Region); at several general elections he chaired top level daily Party Press Conferences with the national media; Life Peerage 1964, Leader in Lords 1967-84, PC 1972; dir Rio Tinto 1962-73; regular radio and TV broadcaster; though not a profound or original liberal thinker, a compelling speaker with powerful voice; in later years he appeared impatient and peppery with rank and file members, considered, perhaps unjustly, aloof, short tempered and lacking in humour; while occasionally accused of high-handed practices, remained influential figure

in top rungs at LPO for many years after leaving Commons; long time member LPO Exec; d 1984; **North Dorset 1945, 1950, 1951; MP 1945-50**; Bolton East by-e 1960 (Northwest Region); see *Dictionary of Liberal Biography*

CADBURY, (Lt) Peter Egbert, b Great Yarmouth 1918, member of the highly respected chocolate manufacturing Quaker philanthropist family dynasty; ed Leighton Park s, Cambridge U; intended career at Bar frustrated by WW II in which he served in the RNVR; also a test pilot; never worked in family business; owner of Keith Prowse Booking Agency, later dir Tyne Tees TV, Westward TV; brief connection with Party; highly colourful character, something of a madcap, notorious for head line life-style, fabulous wealth; one of his sumptuous stately homes boasted hangars for five aircraft; aviator and motorist well-known for driving mishaps; he was the first Liberal cand in the constituency for over 20 years; lived Sunninghill, Berkshire; d 2006; **Stroud 1945**

CAMERON, Alistair, ed Greenhill s, Tenby; grad, Bristol U, Bristol Poly, Diploma in Personal Management; Cheltenham BC, ldr party grp, ldr council; FE lect; local campaigner, concerned about serious local flood menace; Pembrokeshire CC; cand Senedd 2016, 2021; Newport East 1997, 2001 (Wales), **Tewkesbury 2005, 2010, 2015**, Carmarthenshire West & Pembrokeshire South 2017, 2019, Mid & South Pembrokeshire 2024 (Wales).

CAMERON, Colin J. Grant; b 1914, former fruit farmer, teacher at Shaftesbury; WW II service RAF Transport Command; d 2003; Ludlow 1945 (West Midland Region), **West Dorset 1950**

CAMPBELL-JOHNSON, (W/Cdr) Alan, OBE b 1913, ed Winchester, Oxford U; journalist; 1937-40 political secretary to Liberal Leader, Sir Archibald Sinclair; supporter of Stafford Cripps's proposals for 'Popular Front' against Chamberlain's appeasement policy; service WW II latterly on SEAC staff of Earl Mountbatten; broadcaster; co dir; author of biographies of Sir Anthony Eden, Lord Halifax; d 1998; **Salisbury 1945, 1950**

CAMPION-SMITH, Clare, b Liverpool, maths graduate; former teacher; mbr Lib Dem Education Assn; interests incl mental health, education; Bristol City C Lord Mayor; **Bristol North West 2015**

CANNING, Andy James, b 1962, ed Sir Roger Manwood's s, Sandwich, Kent, LSE; former economist with banking group; mbr ULS, London Party Exec; agent for Simon Hughes MP qv (Greater London) in 1992; Southwark LBC, later Dorchester TC, Mayor, West Dorset DC; cand for Dorset Police Commissioner 2012; mbr Green Peace, Amnesty Int, Friends of the Earth; Watford 1997 (East of England), **South Dorset 2001, Christchurch 2015, West Dorset 2017**

CAPSTICK, Hugh, b 1922, ed Manchester g s, Manchester U; dental surgeon; Salisbury MBC; d 2014; **Salisbury 1964, by-e 1965**

CARBIN, Trevor W., b 1951, ed Ilminster g s, Durham U, Leeds U, archaeologist, driving school instructor; joined Party 1975; **South West Wiltshire 2010, 2015, 2017**

CARTMAN, Ashley, lived locally 10 years; parish cllr; local campaigner; fought on values of fairness, decency, community; interests incl housing, local transport, education; **North Somerset 2019, 2024**

CHADWICK, David, b 1992? raised in Gloucestershire; read International Studies at Leiden U, Netherlands; has worked in several Euro states; interests incl economic, political reform; climate emergency; latterly cons in cybersecurity; moved to live in Brecon; Spokesperson in Commons for Wales 2024-; **North Dorset 2019**, Brecon, Radnor & Cwm Tawe (Wales) 2024; MP 2024-

CHARLESTON, Victoria, policy and campaigns manager for national victims charity; she increased the Party percentage share by 8.4%; **Salisbury 2019, 2024**

CLARK, Mick, born/raised locally, ed Preston s, Yeovil Coll; RAF service; worked for NHS; recently involved in work on behalf of young offenders, long-term unemployed; **Yeovil 2019**

CLEMENTS, Brian R., b 1938, ed Ilford Co h s, Essex, Bournemouth Tech Coll, Portsmouth Poly, Garnett Coll, London; lect in comp engineering; Poole MBC cl ldr; Chair, Southwest Region Exec; **Poole 1983, 1992**

CLUCAS, Cait, lived/worked Tewkesbury for 20 years; employed in social housing sector; Tewkesbury BC; local campaigner; deplored cuts in school funding; chair of school governors; **Tewkesbury 2017**

CLUCAS, Helen Flora (Flo) b 1946; has B Ed, Cert ed etc; teacher 1973-93; Liverpool City C 1986-2012, dpty grp ldr 2008-11; a dynamic figure in Liverpool politics, securing almost £1 billion in European regional development funding for city; held in turn all major posts on the council; awarded OBE; her husband John served alongside her for some years; author of articles; Pres NW Region Party 2008-12; Euro cand; retired to live nearer family in Cheltenham; cllr Cheltenham BC 2014-; many interests; personality noted for her resilience; a tried and tested, dedicated servant of the party; willing paper cand 2015-24; Cosby 1992, Liverpool, Garston 1997, Wirral South by-e 1997, Knowsley North & Sefton East 2005, Knowsley 2010, (all North West Region), West Bromwich East 2015, West Bromwich West 2017, 2019 (both West Midland Region), **Swindon North 2024**

COATES, Nick, ed University Coll, London; Ch Acc in financial services; community activist, campaigner; trustee of care home; jazz enthusiast; he raised the Lib Dem percentage of poll by 13.8%; **North East Somerset 2019**

COLEMAN, Christopher F, b Cheltenham 1978, ed St Edward's s, Cheltenham, U Coll, Northampton, Stafford U; solicitor; Party activist at university; Cheltenham BC 2002; Stoke-on-Trent South 2001 (West Midland Region), **Forest of Dean 2005, 2010, 2015, Devizes 2017, Bristol North West 2019**

COLEMAN-TAYLOR, Christine Ruth, (ADDISON-COLEMAN), née Moffett, b Manchester 1947, ed Manchester g h s, York U, Manchester U, Open U; some time maths teacher; Party member over 50 years; NLYL Chair, 1973-75, later Chair ULS; had considerable influence in 1970s as one of the most energetic young women in the Party, contributing greatly to the rise in the importance of the YLs and its influence on Liberal policy and strategy; she opposed the call for a government of national unity after the equivocal result of the Feb 1974 General Election; author of *Women* (NLYL, 1979); 1997-2007 served on EU Committee of the Regions; ldr North Wiltshire DC; cllr Kirklees MBC 2008-10, Todmorden LDA, later group ldr Todmorden TC, 2019-22; on a famous occasion at the Brighton Assembly 1986, in a debate which took place in an electric atmosphere, she was a leading speaker in overturning official Party policy on the nuclear deterrent, having declared the arms race to be 'a lunatic competition'; stunned all present at a Blackpool Assembly when, seated at the legendary Tower electric organ, she rose triumphantly from the bowels of the earth during a social event;

mother of Rachel Coleman-Finch qv, Party activist at Cambridge, who in turn has impressed as a speaker at Party Assemblies in recent years. Ruth was a contributor to *Liberator*; she re-appeared as a token cand in 2019; d in Greece 13/7/2022; her comprehensive obituary appeared in *Liberator* Sept 2022; Liverpool, Toxteth 1979, Macclesfield 1983 (both Northwest Region), **Woodspring 1987**, Leeds Central 2005, Leeds West 2010, Barnsley East 2015 (all Yorkshire Region), Wolverhampton North East 2019 (West Midland Region).

COLESHILL, Gail, ed Stockport h s, Holt s, Wokingham, Huddersfield Poly; secondary s teacher; experience as Dist Cllr, Unitary DCllr; case worker David Heath MP, lives Crewkerne; **Wansdyke 2001, 2005, North East Somerset 2010**

COLLINS, Mike John David, b Cheltenham 1963, ed Chosen Hill comp s, Churchdown, Gloucestershire Coll; aerospace engineer; Tewkesbury BC; joined Party 1999; **Cotswold 2010**

COLLINS, Victoria Mei Elizabeth, of Chinese descent, ed privately, Newcastle-upon-Tyne Church h s, Durham U, Master's degree in international economic policy, Paris; worked on economic policy at European Parliament; is a technical entrepreneur; interests incl policing, schools, environment; she won in her second contest with a majority of 10,708 votes; in Commons LD Spokesperson for Science, Innovation & Technology 2024-; **Poole 2019**, Harpenden & Berkhamsted 2024 (East of England); MP 2024-

COLLINS, Wilfred Greville, b Woodbridge, Suffolk 1906; dir of several building cos; proponent of aluminium prefab housing; WW II involved in aircraft production, Ministry of Works; Chair of Party Organisation Dept, Western Counties Lib Fed, Vice-Chair of Hansard Society; d 1990; **Chippenham 1950**

COLLIS, Gudrun Claire Ziegler, b 1937, ed Watford g s, Cambridge U; solicitor; impressed with her enthusiasm and determination; NLYL Exec; had a long break from campaigning; Chigwell 1964, 1966 (East of England), **Swindon 1979**

COMAN, Leslie Diana, b Carshalton, ed Bristol Poly; career in marketing services and PR; Sutton LBC 1998-2006; officer PCA; **Christchurch 2005**, Mitcham & Morden 2010 (Greater London)

CONRAD, George, b 1949, ed Latymer Upper s, Bristol U; general medical practitioner; North Avon DC, Idr Alliance group; **South Gloucestershire 1979, Northavon 1983**

COOK, (Brig) Richard A., b 1908, ed St Paul's s; professional soldier 1928-61; deceased; **West Gloucestershire 1964**

COOMBES, Nicholas, lived centre of Bristol five years; Ch Town Planner, works on large scale energy projects; local Cllr, first elected aged 20; interests incl energy, the environment; **Bristol East 2019, Bristol Central 2024**

CORDON, Simon R., b 1963, ed London U, Goldsmiths' Coll; production planner; Wiltshire CC, Thamesdown MBC; **Swindon 1992, North Wiltshire 1997**

COTTER, Brian Joseph Michael, later Lord C. of Congresbury, b 1936, ed St Benedict's, Downside, Somerset, North London Poly; worked in manufacturing and services; joined Party 1983; Woking BC 1986-90; spokesperson in Commons on Trade and Industry; small businesses; Chair, various all-party

groups; many interests include China, apprentices, fair trade; practising Roman Catholic; associated with Mankind Initiative, a charity aiding victims of domestic violence; mbr Green Liberals, Amnesty Int; Life Peer 2006; d 2023; **Weston-super-Mare 1992, 1997, 2001, 2005; MP 1997-2005; see Dictionary of Liberal Biography**

COURT, A. W. Glyn, b 1924, ed Taunton s, Exeter U, Paris U, Grenoble U, London U; mod languages teacher; Ilfracombe UDC 1965-68, Somerset CC; **Westbury 1974 Feb, Oct, North Dorset 1979**

COX, Michael, ed Brunel U, Ch Acc; lives Hurn; established national acc firm, non-ex dir, financed based businesses; served as cllr in London; worked for charities for disabled; interested in problems arising from dementia; **Christchurch 2017, 2019, 2024**

CRAWFORD, (Lieut) Iain Padruig, b 1922, ed Jordanhill Coll, Glasgow, Inverness Acad; service WWII; author/broadcaster; first Publicity Director of Edinburgh Festival 1973; d 2011; Edinburgh North 1950 (Scotland), **Stroud 1964**

CRAWFORD, John, b 1932, ed Holyhead g s, Bangor National Coll, Furzedown Coll; teacher; Whitby UDC 1961-64; Howden 1964 (Yorkshire Region), **Devizes 1974 Feb**

CREASEY, John, MBE, b Surrey 1908, in humble circumstances, ed Fulham elem s; after various jobs, took up writing; published first book aged 19, becoming prolific author of crime fiction; creating the Baron, the Toff, Dr Palfrey; said to have used 21 pseudonyms; scripted *Gideon's Way* for TV series; prominent with Crime Writers' Assn; active with displaced persons' welfare after WW II; LPO Council but left Liberals in disillusion in early 1950s but returned, impressed by Grimond's Leadership; left again to found All Party Alliance in 1960s, fighting four by-elections under that designation; attended Party Assembly 1969; after 1950 when he polled 17.31% the constituency was unaccountably left uncontested by the Party for 14 years; d 1973; **Bournemouth West 1950**

CRITCHLOW, Katie, ed Oxford U, LSE; specialist in climate change matters; worked with M & S on green business change programme; worked in Indonesia; interests incl transport; styles herself 'a green optimist'; **Swindon North 2019**

CROSSLEY, Paul N., b 1952, ed Gosport g s, Brighton Poly; self-employed comp analyst/programmer; Euro cand 1989; Bath MBC; campaigner against Apartheid; **Bristol South 1992**

CROWTHER, Roger H., b 1939, ed Bideford g s, Hull U, Bristol U; university careers officer; LPO Council; **Bath 1966, 1970**

DANCE, Adam James, b Yeovil 1992, ed Stanchester Acad, Taunton Coll, Yeovil Coll, Warwick Business s; joined party in 2010; cllr Somerset CC 2017- lead mbr Public Health, Equalities & Diversity 2022-24; South Somerset DC 2015-23 cab mbr Licensing & Environmental Health 2019; he was elected by a 12,268 majority; **Yeovil 2024; MP 2024-**

DARBY, Doreen, author *Lobby Fodder: A Lib Dem Cook Book* (1994); Ruislip-Northwood 1987 (Greater London); **Wansdyke 1992**

DAVID, Edward, b 1944, ed Dynevor g s, Swansea, U Coll, Swansea, Cambridge U; university lect; has written on Liberal Party history incl *Inside Asquith's Cabinet* (1977); **Bristol North West 1974 Feb, Oct**

DAVIES, David M., b 1929, ed Cathedral s, Salisbury, Cambridge U, U Coll Hospital Medical School; anthropologist; Fellow of Royal Anthropological Inst; **Stroud 1970**

DAVIS, Gordon A., b 1927, ed Bristol g s, Oxford U; co dir, chair of several cos; **Bristol North West 1979**

DEAL, Edward R. F., b 1925, ed Uppingham, Cambridge U; solicitor; mbr British Legal Assn; **Weston-super-Mare by-e 1969, 1970**

DE MONTMORENCY, (Sir) Arnold Geoffrey, b 1908, succ as 19th Bt 1979; ed Westminster, Cambridge U; from an old Liberal family; barrister called to Bar 1932; service in Middle East WW II; Liberal Lawyers Assn; LPO Council; a Liberal in the Gladstonian tradition; owner/literary editor for many years of *The Contemporary Review*, being largely responsible for the continued existence of that publication; described in his obituary in *The Daily Telegraph* as 'thin, irascible, impractical, eccentric;' who would have made 'a brilliant MP;' said to have survived on a diet of Maltesers and Kitcats; he was a cousin of Hollywood stars Olivia De Havilland and Joan Fontaine; d 2003; Cambridge 1959 (East of England Region), **Cirencester & Tewkesbury 1964**

DENTON-WHITE, Richard D., b Argentina? 1946; bus conductor, teacher; ex-shop steward TGWU; interested in Latin-American politics, briefly member of Party Latin American Affairs comm; had real ability which deserved to be put to better use; campaigner for fair voting reforms; showed energy as cand but of enigmatic character with something of a persecution complex; incurred much odium in Party circles; later settled in Weymouth area where he became active in local government affairs; left Lib Dems to form Citizen's Action Group; later reported to have joined Labour; author of letters to national press 2014, urging radical solutions to Britain's problems; **Wansdyke 1983**, Kettering 1992 (East Midlands Region), **Salisbury 2005**

DOUGLAS, T. G., b 1911, ed Stramongate s, Kendal; active with National Union of Bank Employees; **Bristol North West 1964**

DOVER, Janet, b 1953, ed Open U; partner in childcare cons; resident of Colehill over 40 years; Dorset CC, Group Ldr; Colehill PC; **Bournemouth West 1992, 1997**

DOWNEY, Peter, b 1942, ed Downside s, co dir; city and district cllr; **Bath 1974 Feb**

DOWNIE, Celia Mary, b Bristol 1957, ed St Mary Redcliffe c s, U Coll, Swansea; MA Bristol U; former teacher, later garden historian and consultant; lived Hanham Abbots, South Gloucestershire, now Henleaze; served as parish, Avon CC, grp ldr, and UA cllr; mbr Avon Fire Auth; served on Home Office cttees; Chair West of England in Europe Partnership, serving in Brussels office; Aldridge-Brownhills 1997, Leominster 2001 (both West Midland Region), **Bristol North West 2017**

DRINAN, Neil, b 1920? author of children's books; former Party agent; fought local government elections; deceased; **Bristol North East 1979**

DUNN, Phil, ed Bournemouth U; previously in financial services sector later teacher Inner London, now in local sec s; principal interest education, freedom of schools to devise own curriculum; supporter of pupil premium; calls for more affordable housing, greater use of sustainable energy; **Bournemouth West 2017, Bournemouth East 2019**

DYKE, Sarah Joanne, b 1971, ed Warminster s, Harper Adams U; from an old Somerset family; worked in agricultural industry, specialising in sheep raising; cllr Somerset CC 2022-24, Portfolio Holder for Environment & Climate Change 2022-23; South Somerset DC 2015-22 Portfolio Holder for Environment 2019-22; in Commons LD Spokesperson for Rural Affairs 2025-, mbr Environment, Food & Rural Affairs Select Cttee 2024-; she won the by-election on a swing of 28.4%; **Somerton & Frome by-e 2023, Glastonbury & Somerton 2024; MP 2023-**

EADES, Phillip, ed Bournemouth U, graduate in Business Studies; Poole BC; **Poole 2010, 2015**

ELDRIDGE, Colin, **Woodspring 2001**

ELLARD, Janet, b Southeast 1959? modern languages teacher in com s, later charity worker; among variety of posts incl case worker for a Lib Dem mbr of W Senedd; Methodist; interests incl women's issues, education, housing and care of elderly and disabled; lived in South West for 30 years; **Swindon North 2015, Ogmere by-e 2016 (Wales), Forest of Dean 2017**

ELLIS, Brian E. J., b 1950, ed Bridgwater b s, legal exec; Weymouth & Portland MBC grp ldr; **South Dorset 1987, 1992**

EMLYN-JONES, John Alan, OBE, b 1923, son of J. E.-J. (1888-1952, MP Dorset North 1922-24); ed Charterhouse, University Coll, Cardiff; LPO Council; Welsh Party Exec; President Welsh YLs; active in campaign for provision for alcoholics; Chair, NSPCC, Cardiff; d 2017; Barry 1950 (Wales), **North Dorset by-e 1957, 1959**

EMMERSON-PEIRCE, Yvonne, b 1953, ed St George's C of E s, Gravesend; non exec dir Surrey Careers Service; Surrey CC; interests incl British Dyslexic Assn, education, careers guidance; **Salisbury 1997, 2001**

EVANS, David E., b 1925, ed Acton County s, public relations cons; cllr Southend BC from 1956s, later ald; greatly respected in Party circles for his expertise in local government matters; Chair, Party Local Government Dept; Ealing South 1955 (Greater London), Barking 1959, (Greater London), Southend East 1964 (East of England), **Yeovil 1966, 1970**

EVERY, Mike, b 1967, ed St Joseph's Coll, London, York U; marketing dir, Nationwide Building Society; cllr Thamesdown DC grp ldr, ldr opposition; interests incl Amnesty Int; **Swindon North 1997, 2005, North Wiltshire 2010**

EYRE, Douglas, b 1946, ed Littleborough Parish s, Middleton g s, Bournemouth s; Ch Acc, manager/partner/dir financial services firm; cllr Bournemouth DC from 1979 ldr from 1997; **Bournemouth East 1997**

FALLON, Gerald, b 1938, ed West Kensington Central s, Harlow Tech Coll, London U, Bath U; Harlow DC; **Stroud 1983**

FARRANT, Sue, b Plymouth, Plymouth g h s, Wye Coll, U of London PhD; Women's Royal Army Corps; joined Party 1992, cllr West Berkshire DC, Vice-Chair 2003-04, Newbury BC 1997-2003, Mayor 2000-01; **Swindon 2005, West Dorset 2010**

FERGUSON, George R. P. CBE, b Winchester 1947; ed Rottingdean s, Wellington Coll, Bristol U; lived Gibraltar, Norway etc during father's military service; ed Wellington Coll, U of Bristol; architect, cultural entrepreneur; founded Ferguson Main architects, specialists in regeneration and historic building work; Bristol City C; first elected Mayor of Bristol 2012; **Bristol West 1983, 1987**

FIELDING, Eva, lived South Gloucestershire since 2001; ed Marlwood & Castle s, Gloucester Engineering Training Centre; won 'Apprentice of the Year' Award; works for Gloucestershire CC, developing on-line systems; addressed Party Assembly on the need to encourage more women into male-dominated industries; interests incl affordable housing with tighter rein on developers; bright personality; **Filton & Bradley Stoke 2017**

FITZHARRIS, Sally A., Sec of Lib Dems Friends of Palestine; became embroiled in acrimonious disagreement in *Jewish Chronicle* over plight of Palestinians; **Kingsdown 2010**

FOGARTY, Prof Michael Patrick, b 1916, ed Ampleforth Coll, Oxford U; of Catholic background, economist, formerly Labour, 1938 adopted PPC Tamworth, West Midlands before WW II; Prof of Ind Relations, U Coll of Wales, Cardiff; Vice-Pres 1964-66 Assn University Teachers; impressive, authoritative speaking voice; his ideas, in the Keynesian tradition, were influential for many years in highest Party circles and beyond; formulated an early scheme, innovative in its day, to provide pensioners with half pay on retirement; appeared on BBC TV programmes dealing with economic matters; cllr Vale of White Horse DC 1973-87, Oxfordshire CC, Chair 1986-87; Euro cand 1979; Vice Pres LPO 1964; d 2001; **Devizes by-e 1964, 1964, 1966**, Abingdon 1974 Feb, Oct (South Central Region)

FOORD, (Major) Richard John, b Weston-super-Mare 1978, ed Backwell c s, Sandhurst, London U; has three Masters degrees; ten years army service incl time in Germany, Kosovo & Iraq; Liberal in classical tradition; internationalist in outlook; mbr Sustrans; lives Uffculme; his success in the by-election continued the run of Lib-Dem by-election victories and raised morale; in Commons LD Spokesperson on Defence 2022-24, mbr Foreign Affairs Select Cttee 2024-, Intelligence & Security Joint Cttee; **North Somerset 2017**, Honiton & Tiverton 2022 by-e, Honiton & Sidmouth 2024 (both Devon and Cornwall Region); MP 2022-

FOSTER, Rt Hon Donald Michael Ellison, PC, now Lord F. of Bath, b Penwitham, Preston 1947 ed Lancaster Royal g s, Keele U, Bath U, teacher, university lecturer, public sector cons; cllr Avon CC 1981-89 group leader, chair education comm; in Commons was Spokesman successively on Education, Environment, Transport, Regions; mbr Education and Employment select committee; later Shadow Secretary for Culture, Media, Sport; PC 2010; in Coalition Parliamentary US for Communities and Local Government 2012-13; Deputy Chief Whip 2013-15; author many items inc *From Thee Rs to the Three Cs* (2003); many interests incl Amnesty International; much respected

member of Commons across party lines; ret from Commons 2015; Life Peer 2016; **Bristol North East 1987, Bath 1992, 1997, 2001, 2005, 2010; MP 1992-2015**; see *Dictionary of Liberal Biography*

FOWLER, Iain M., b 1940, ed Fettes, Camb U; co dir; LPO Council from 1966; **Westbury 1966**, South Buckinghamshire 1970 (South Central Region)

FOX, Paul J., OBE, b Gloucester, ed Oxford U; qualified accountant; Finance Director Bath & NE Somerset, Swindon & Wiltshire NHS Integrated Care Board; cllr Islington LBC 1999-2002 having won the Hillrise by-election which gave the LDs overall control of the council; cand GLA London NE 2000, cllr Wiltshire CC 2004-05; Bath & NE Somerset UA 2010-15; Treasurer, later Chair Western Counties Regional party 2020-24; Treasurer Liberal History Group; OBE 2021 for services to scientific research; West Ham 2001 (Greater London); **North Wiltshire 2005**

FRANCES, Helen, **Devizes 2001**

FRY, (Capt) Howard Levett, b 1912, ed Paxton Park s, St Paul's s, RAF WW II pilot, later with BOAC; founded Westward Airways 1968; ceased trading 1970; pioneer of Newquay Airport; LPO Exec, Council early 1960s, fine speaking voice; sported an impressive 'Battle of Britain' moustache; also journalist; fdr mbr British Airline Pilots' Assn; Chair, Western Counties Fed; persistent if somewhat itinerant campaigner; d 2001; **New Forest 1950**, Aylesbury 1955, 1959 (South Central Region), Colchester by-e 1961 (East of England Region), **Wells 1964, 1966**, St Ives 1970 (Devon & Cornwall Region)

GANT, Dr Andrew John, b 1963, ed Radley Coll, Cambridge U, Royal Academy of Music, Goldsmith's Coll; lect at Oxford U; a distinguished and highly respected figure on the music scene as composer, singer, tutor; organist, choirmaster & composer at HM Chapel Royal 2000-13; author *The Making of Handel's Messiah* (Bodleian Library, 2020); recorded Handel anthems for Naxos Records; cllr Oxford City C 2014- ldr grp, ldr opposition, Sheriff of Oxford, Oxfordshire CC 2021- cabinet mbr for Highways 2022-; m Katherine Willis, Baroness W. of Summertown, eminent biologist & Principal of St Edmund Hall Oxford U; **The Cotswolds 2017**, Staffordshire Moorlands 2019 (West Midlands Region)

GARRATT, Andy C. W., b Wiltshire 1966, raised Isle of Wight; ed state s, London U; worked for Diana Maddock MP, Paddy Ashdown qqv; Bournemouth BC; active in Isle of Wight c 2009; **Bournemouth East 2001, 2005**

GASSON, Emily, b 1970, ed Durham U Oxford U, Coll of Law; chair Durham U, Lib Dems; mbr working group on legal aid; m 2005 Party Leader, Ed Davey MP qv (Greater London); Regent's Park & Kensington North 1997 (Greater London), **North Dorset 2001, 2005, 2010**

GAYLER, David, b 1940, ed Hanley Castle, activist in Gloucester, municipal cand; **Forest of Dean 2001**

GIBSON, Sarah, b 1966, ed Ralph Allen comp s, Combe Down, Bath, Kingston U, post grad University Coll, London; dir/shareholder of Labox, architectural firm in Bradford-on-Avon, Wiltshire; served as Mayor, Bradford-on-Avon TC; Wiltshire CC from 2017, serving on several committees; returned with a majority of 8,138; Spokesperson in Commons for Business, mbr Environmental Audit Select Cttee 2024-; **Chippenham 2024; MP 2024-**

GILLETT, (Flt Lieut) Norman Wilburn, b Tewkesbury, Gloucestershire 1899, ed Sir Thomas Rich's s, Gloucester; RAF service WW II; co dir; Chair, Gloucester L A; d 1983; **Cirencester & Tewkesbury 1950**

GILMOUR, Rachel Clare, formerly OLIVER, b 1964, ed primary s Wellington, Somerset, Cheltenham Ladies Coll; graduate in Law, London U; FE lect; senior campaign manager for national/international charities; Dir of Communications, National Farmers Union; Head of Strategy, Environmental Agency; joined Party at 17; worked for Nick Harvey MP qv (Devon & Cornwall); Mid Devon DC; ubiquitous campaigner; in Commons mbr Public Accounts Cttee 2024-; Nottingham North 1997 (East Midlands Region), Totnes 2001 (Devon & Cornwall), **Taunton Deane 2015**, Tiverton & Minehead 2024 (Devon & Cornwall Region); MP 2024-

GOLD, Dr Peter J., b 1944, ed Harrow Co b s, London, Oxford U; lect West of England U; a linguist with interest in Latin-American affairs; many interests incl Amnesty Int, Child Poverty Action; Sheffield, Hallam 1987, 1992 (Yorkshire Region), **Wells 1997**

GOLDBLATT, David, b 1896, of Jewish background; ed Cambridge U, engaged in timber trade; army service WWI; managing dir of timber co; during WWII worked for timber control dept, Ministry of Supply; mbr of Design for Freedom group; fought LCC election; d 1965; Finchley 1945 (Greater London), Colchester 1950 (East of England Region), **Bristol West 1951**

GOLDING, Philip, b 1929, of Jewish background; ed City of London s, South West Essex Tech Coll; architect; Orpington UDC 1961-65; Bromley Area Health Authority; hospital governor; Beckenham 1966, 1970 (Greater London), **Weston-super-Mare 1974 Feb**

GOOCH, Caroline, b Sheffield, lives Westbourne Park, worked 20 years in industry as biochemist; local cllr; cand for Mayor of Bristol; **Bristol North West 2024**

GOODE, Geoffrey Maxwell, b 1927, ed Kettering g s, U of Wales, Aberystwyth, farmer; stalwart campaigner fighting eight elections over two decades; d 1989; **South Dorset 1955**, Central Norfolk 1959, 1961 by-e, 1964 (East of England Region), **South Dorset 1966, Poole 1970, 1974 Feb, Oct**

GOODDEN, John Henry, b 1909, ed Harrow, Wycliffe Coll, Oxford U; ordained, later working in India; farmer; d 1974; Aldershot (South Central Region) 1950; **West Dorset 1959**

GORSKY, Doreen Marjorie, née Stevens, b Hammersmith, London 1912, of Jewish background; m of J. A. G. qv (Greater London), ed privately at Folkestone, finishing schools in London and Brussels, London U; WW II service as commandant in medical Red Cross; was deeply involved in women's equality issues, holding high office in several organisation; joined Party 1944; working with Thelma Cazalet and Lady Megan Lloyd-George qv (Wales) on divorce law reform proposals and policies for equal pay legislation which were presented to the Labour government of the day but rejected; later accepted by the Liberal Assembly in 1949, becoming Party policy; on this issue the party was far more radical than Labour, the report being titled *The Great Partnership*; miscellaneous journalistic activity; mbr LPO Council and Exec, Pres WLF 1950; joined BBC and by 1963 was one of first women execs, responsible for 'family programmes,' introducing *Listen With Mother*, *Magic Roundabout*; later with LWT but resigned after two years with colleagues in disagreement over the direction it was taking; became influential figure in religious broadcasting, chairing international congresses; very energetic campaigner for Party over relatively short period, she was one of the most talented woman recruits to the Party at the close of WW II; returned to work unpaid in 1969 at request of

Party Leader Jeremy Thorpe, an old friend; she largely took over role vacated by Pratap Chitnis (later Lord Chitnis) as Head of LPO during 1970 General Election campaign; smoked cigars; her last years were blighted by dementia; d 2001; Hackney North 1945 (Greater London), **Swindon 1950, Bristol South East by-e 1950**, Carlisle 1951 (Northwest Region)

GOUDGE, Frederick John, b 1889, service WWI; former footman, later steward; Methodist lay preacher; candidate Bristol MBC elections; d 1978; **Bristol South East 1950**

GRAHAM, Christopher S. M., b 1950, ed St Edward's, Oxford, Liverpool U; Pres Guild of Undergraduates; Liverpool City C 1971-74; from 1979 with BBC, latterly Sec to Board of Governors; one-time Dir Gen of UK Advertising Standards Authority; currently UK Information Commissioner; **North Wiltshire 1983, 1987**

GRAYSON, David R., ed St George's, Bristol; managing dir; first Liberal cand locally for 24 years, he polled 17.5%; **Bristol South East 1974 Feb**

GREEN, Simon, polled 41.8% to Conservative MP Oliver Letwin's 44.6%; **West Dorset 2001**

GREENFIELD, Chris, **Kingsdown 2001**

GUY, (Col) Harold Arthur, OBE b 1898, service RN WWI, with Canadian Army WW II; evacuated from Dunkirk; managing dir of car sales firm; former Pres, Gloucester Chamber of Trade, Motor Agents Assn, British Motor Trade Assn; active in local affairs; d 1980; **Gloucester 1945, 1950**

HALFORD, David G., b 1944, ed Crypt's, Gloucester, Gloucester Tech Coll; nylon press operator; mbr TGWU; **Gloucester 1974 Feb, Oct 1979**

HALL, John C., b 1925, ed King Edward's, Bruton? Oxford U; writer, FE lect; **Chippenham 1959**, South Worcestershire 1970 (West Midland Region), Angus North & The Mearns 1974 Feb (Scotland)

HAMES, Duncan John, b Hertfordshire 1977, ed Watford's, Oxford U., officer of students' union; acc with Deloitte; moved to Holt, Wiltshire; cllr West Wiltshire DC 2003-2007; Southwest Regional Development Agency 2003; on election 2010 became first Liberal MP for constituency for 86 years; m 2011 Jo Swinson MP qv; Tottenham by-e 2000 (Greater London), Watford 2001 (East of England Region), **Westbury 2005, Chippenham 2010, 2015; MP 2010-2015**

HANNA, Jeff, teacher, later head of comprehensive s, served as cllr on two London councils retrained as psychotherapist; refused in 2024 to appear on platform with a Reform cand. **Bournemouth West 2024**

HARRIS, (F/L) Christopher M., formerly in Colonial Service; RAF Flying Instructor WW II; deceased; **Cirencester & Tewkesbury 1945**

HARRIS, Louise Anne, (formerly BLOOM), grew up and lives at Yate; grad in Euro Politics and Economics; prominent mbr of NLYLs; worked for 25 years in voluntary sector; South Gloucestershire DC; local campaigner; secured cross party backing for Climate Emergency in South Gloucestershire; **Filton & Bradley Stoke 2019, Bristol North East 2024**

HARRISON, Robin, b 1934, ed Kingswood s, Bath, Oxford U; research scientist; **Christchurch & Lymington 1979**, New Forest 1983 (South Central Region)

HARROD, Paul, b 1978, ed Bristol g s, Oxford U; joined Party 2005; interested in child poverty, homelessness, early years education; co-founder of Aspire charity; **Bristol North West 2010**

HART, Eric C., b 1920, ed Chesterfield g s, construction eng; Bideford MBC, Mayor 1964-65; Southwest Reg Economic Planning Council; deceased; **South Gloucestershire 1966**

HART-LEVERTON, Colin Allen, KC, b 1936, of Jewish background, ed Stowe, barrister, Middle Temple youngest-ever to be called to the Bar; youngest-ever to be admitted to Institute of Taxation; Chair, Highgate YLs; later depty circuit judge 1975; senior legal officer Turks Caicos Islands 1975; Recorder of Crown Court 1979-2001; professional pianist playing in top jazz circles; **Bristol West 1959**, Walthamstow West 1964 (Greater London)

HARVEY, Kenneth G., ed Monmouth s; controller of export office; Chair, Western Counties YLs; **West Gloucestershire 1966**

HEATH, Rt Hon David William St. John, CBE, PC, b Westbury-sub-Mendip 1954, ed Millfield, Cambridge U, City U; optician cons World Wide Fund for Nature; joined Party at 16; cllr Somerset CC 1985-97, leader 1985-89, Chair, Education Comm 1996-97, Chair, Avon & Somerset Police Authority 1993-96; in Commons, Spokesperson in turn on Europe, Work & Pensions, Shadow Minister, Home Office 2002-05, Shadow Secretary of State for Justice and Lord Chancellor 2007-08, 2008-10; Shadow Leader of the House 2005-10, Dpty Ldr of House in Coalition Government 2010-12, MoS for Agriculture & Food 2012-13; PC 2015; an imposing figure of great presence on Front Bench; ret from Commons 2015; **Somerton & Frome 1992, 1997, 2001, 2005, 2010, MP 1992-2015**; see *Dictionary of Liberal Biography*

HEATHCOAT-AMORY, Margaret Irene Gaenor, née Scott-Ellis, b 1919, daughter of 8th Baron Howard de Walden; ed Benenden, abroad; former socialite, farmer; her activism with the Party electrified the gossip columns, the more so because a Conservative Chancellor of the Exchequer with the same surname was a relative; Vice-Chair WLF; served on LPO Council, expressing opposition to privileged education and selective secondary schools; Chair, Party Health and Welfare Comm; active in United Nations Assn; remembered for her kindly smile and aristocratic elegance and bearing; d 2002; **Taunton 1964, 1966**

HEGENBATH, Alex, lives Bishops Cleeve; Cheltenham BC, Gloucestershire CC; **Tewkesbury 2019**

HEPPELL, James P. (Jim), b 1938, ed Carres g s, Sleaford, Leeds U, U of Wales, Chair, Liberal Society, City of London Poly; former teacher, later post grad student town planner, publisher; Kent CC, Gloucestershire CC, Sleaford MBC; Methodist lay preacher; Euro cand Bristol 1979, London North East 1984, Lincolnshire 1989; dogged campaigner for three decades in seven constituencies in four regions; Shipley 1964, 1966 (Yorkshire Region), **Gloucester 1970, Stroud 1979**, Grantham 1987, 1992 (East Midlands Region), Easington 1997 (Northeast Region)

HILTON, Jeremy E., b 1955, ed Long Levens s s, Gloucester; scientific technician; later co dir; cllr Gloucester CC grp ldr, Gloucester City C; **Gloucester 1987, 2005, 2010, 2015, 2017**

HIRST, Dr Peter John, b 1950, ed Werneth s, Oldham, Rydal s, Colwyn Bay, U of Manchester, Medical School; cons physician 1988-2003; joined Party 1988; held various Party offices in Northwest Region, cllr Congleton MBC 1999-2002, Middlewich TC 1999; interested in environmental sustainability, foreign affairs; **Stroud 2005**, Congleton (North West Region) 2010, 2015, 2017, High Peak (East Midlands) 2024

HOBAN, Michael b 1965, ed Furness comp s, York U; business development cons; fdr-mbr of SDP; Hounslow LBC; Felton & Heston 1992 (Greater London), **Bridgwater 1997**

HOBHOUSE, Paul R., b 1927, ed Eton, Cambridge U; farmer; **Wells 1959**

HOBHOUSE, Wera Benedicta, née von Reden, b Hannover, Lower Saxony, Germany 1960, of distant Jewish ancestry; ed U of Munster, Ecole des Beaux Arts, Paris, U of Berlin; after marriage lived in UK from 1990; former teacher, radio journalist, artist; worked for UNICEF; originally Conservative serving on Rochdale BC from 2004 with her husband until defecting to Lib Dems, occasioned by their opposition to plans to build homes on a site contaminated by asbestos, the Spodden Valley Controversy (subsequently abandoned); re-elected 2006, 2010; held council offices, grp ldr; moved to Bath; North East Somerset DC, cabinet mbr for Environment; on election to Commons 2017; Lib Dem spokesman on Housing, Communities and Local Government; later Environment and Climate Change; mbr Energy Security & Net Zero Select Cttee 2024-, Panel of Chairs 2025-; sought to amend Sexual Offences Act by adding clause outlawing up-skirting; Heywood & Middleton 2010 (Northwest Region), **North East Somerset 2015, Bath 2017, 2019, 2024; MP 2017-**

HODGKINSON, Paul, b 1962, ed Weymouth g s, Dorset, Reading U; training manager; Gloucestershire CC; **Stroud 1997, The Cotswolds 2015, North Cotswolds 2024**

HOLLAND, James Charles, b Poole 1902, ed Poole g s, Bournemouth Municipal Coll; poultry farmer; active with Council of Poultry Assn, Egg Packers' Assn; Vice-Chair Western Counties Fed; his ten years as a parliamentary cand saw the Party sink to its lowest ebb and then enter a period of revival in its fortunes; deceased; **Bournemouth East & Christchurch 1950, 1951 by-e 1952, Poole 1955, 1959**

HOLME, Rt Hon Richard Gordon, later Lord H. of Cheltenham, CBE, PC, b London 1936, ed Royal Masonic s, Oxford U, Harvard Business School, National Service in Malaya; with Unilever, Penguin Books, later dir of Rio Tinto plc; joined Party 1959; Pres LPO 1980-81; Life Peerage 1990, PC 2000; managed Simon Hughes's sensational by-election victory at Bermondsey; held many senior Party posts; acquired reputation as supreme election strategist; became highly influential figure in Party, close adviser to David Steel and Paddy Ashdown in turn during their leadership; strongly of the opinion that the merger of the two Parties should have taken place before General Election of 1987, under single leader, thus the opportunity was missed to win more votes and seats; supported Paddy's bid for the Party Leadership for which he worked skilfully behind the scenes; Chair of Party Campaign at highly successful General Election of 1997; spokesman in Lords on many subjects incl Northern Ireland; many interests incl Dir of Electoral Reform Soc, Chair Hansard Soc; under Blair Government, member of innovative Labour/Liberal Democratic Cabinet Comm; 1999 appt Chair Broadcasting Standards Comm but resigned after lurid revelations in *The News of the World* that he had been involved in serial adultery and bizarre sex games; he continued to make effective contributions to Lords debates until 2007; man of many talents who perhaps took on too many

responsibilities; might have risen to very top of business world had he so chosen; effective speaker on platform, TV and radio; an attractive personality, remembered for his witty one-liners e.g. “We can assume the Conservatives will be sending their previous general election manifesto into Satchi & Satchi for a re-spray,” and on the eve of a Brighton Assembly when he observed the redoubtable Robin Day of the BBC alighting from a taxi, “Ah! Now we can start!” of an easy-going nature, approachable, suave, confident; his abilities would have made him an invaluable asset to the Party in the Commons; d 2008; East Grinstead 1964, by-e 1965 (South East Region), Braintree 1974 Feb, Oct (East of England Region), **Cheltenham 1979, 1983, 1987**; see *Dictionary of Liberal Biography*

HOOTON, Damon J., b Southport 1959; HM Army 1982-2005, supermarket worker; originally Conservative; Frome TC, Mayor; **Swindon South 2010, 2015**

HOPKINS, (Major) Philip William, JP, b Bristol 1907, ed elementary s, Queen Elizabeth’s Hospital, Bristol, Bristol U where he later became tutor in adult education; service WW II; Chair, National Health Exec Council for Bath; originally adopted as PPC for Bath 1939; joined labour 1957 twice contesting Westbury for that party 1964, 1966; d 1966; Frome 1935, **Bath 1945, 1950**

HORNBY, Fiona C., company cons., manager of her own business; Kennet DC; **Bournemouth West 2001, Devizes 2005, 2010**

HORWOOD, Martin Charles, b Cheltenham 1962, ed Cheltenham Coll, Oxford U, Pres of Liberal Society 1983, Chair ULS 1984-85; marketing manager with various national charity organisations, later head of Target Direct Marketing; Vale of White Horse DC 1991-94; in Commons Shadow Environment Minister 2006-10, later co-Chair Party Parliamentary Transport Comm; interests incl environment, tribal peoples; MEP 2019-20 South West England; Oxford East 1992 (South Central Region), Cities of London & Westminster 2001 (Greater London), **Cheltenham 2005, 2010, 2015, 2017; MP 2005-2015**

HOULDSWORTH, (Capt) Sir Harold Basil, b 1922; (son of Sir E. H. KC, former Party cand 1929) succ as 2nd Bt 1956; ed Huddersfield Tech Coll, Leeds U; from Yorkshire Liberal family; cons physician; service in RAMC WW II; d 1990; **West Gloucestershire 1950**

HOWARD-STEPNEY, Stafford Vaughan, b 1915, ed Eton, Oxford U; (father Sir E. Stafford H. former Liberal MP for county); worked on Stock exchange; army service as officer WW II in North Africa, Italy and South West Asia; Chair Penrith & Border L A; engaged in market gardening and forestry; Cumberland CC; Lake District Planning Board; d 1991; **South Gloucestershire 1950**, Penrith and The Border 1951 (Northwest Region)

HOWE, Peter St J., b 1940, ed Epsom s; solicitor; **South Dorset 1979**

HOYLE, R. (Bob), b Leeds 1956; parents were eminent academics; ed Merchant Taylors’s s Liverpool, Cambridge U, Oxford U, Brookes U, Inner Temple; academic lawyer; formerly Labour; Oxford City C 1992-2002, dpty Mayor 2001-02; interests incl mathematics, group relations; d 13/3/2011; for Labour he fought East Hampshire 1997 (South Central Region), Luton North 2001 (East of England Region), **Bristol North West 2005**

HUBBARD, Roger, b 1941, ed Edmonton County g s, University Coll, Cardiff; teacher; **Swindon 1974 Feb, Oct**

HUGHES, David John, b 1956, ed St Paul's s, Southampton U; political cons, co dir; head of Council for Environmental Conservation; Chair of ULS, Chair of Cands Assn; English Party Treasurer, Fed Party Finance Admin Board; for many years devoted servant of Party; aid to Dick Taverne qv (East Midlands) at Lincoln by-e, organiser at Sheffield, Hallam, for Party Leader Nick Clegg 2010, for Tessa Munt at Wells, for Sir Graham Watson in Euro contests; d March 2020 while attending a Party meeting; Southampton, Test 1979 (South Central Region), **Westbury 1983, 1987**

HURD, Peter Martin Leslie; deceased; **Westbury 1955**

HURLL, Martyn, ed Bournemouth b s; investment market manager; local activist, lives Christchurch; **Christchurch 2010**

IRELAND, Nick, grad of Imperial Coll, London U; works in IT; ldr Lib Dem Grp, Dorset CC; interests incl environmental issues, public transport, education health, deprived areas of the county; **South Dorset 2019**

JACKSON, Gary, lives Shaftesbury, former Colonel, Royal Engineers; now civil engineer; interests incl quality of life, the economy, environment; **North Dorset 2024**

JAMES, George, lives locally, teacher, cllr; seeks to improve educational provision across Stroud, extra funding for F E; **Stroud 2024**

JAMES, Michael, b 1935, ed Cardiff Tech Coll, U of Wales, Cardiff; legal assistant, Cardiff West 1974 Feb, Oct (Wales), Plymouth, Devonport 1979 (Devon & Cornwall Region), **Bournemouth West 1983**

JACKSON, Peter Grayling, b 1930, ed Queen Elizabeth g s, Tamworth; journalist, editor *TV Times*; active with NUJ; **Westbury 1979**

JAMES, Philip, P. C., **Bristol East 2005**

JOACHIM, Dr Margaret Jane, later Rev; b 1949, ed Brighton & Hove g s, U Coll, Swansea, King's Coll, London U; geologist, university research associate, lect;, organised successful weekend schools for cands in 1980s; later senior manager in comp services co; active in selection process of Euro cands 2014; sexual equality campaigner; sharp edge to her tongue; took on Margaret Thatcher on her home ground 1983; well capable of holding her own in any company; lives West London; minister in secular employment, Chair, Fawcett Society; **West Gloucestershire 1979**, Finchley 1983 (Greater London), Epsom 1987 (Southeast Region)

JOHNSON, Dr Donald McIntosh, b 1903, ed Cheltenham, Cambridge U, St Bartholomew's Hospital, London; medical practitioner; med officer to Greenland Expedition 1926, later posts in London and Quebec; called to Bar but never practised; GP 1930-36; became fully immersed in party activity; his Belgian-born first wife was killed in the London Blitz; war service on Home Front; opposing the war-time all-party truce and becoming critical of lack of positive leadership from Sir Archibald Sinclair, particularly on policies for post-war Britain; made a stand at Party Assembly 1941; acquiring a following of like-minded delegates, he founded the pressure group Liberal Action, later re-titled

Radical Action; contested Chippenham by-election 1943 as an Independent Liberal, the Leadership officially endorsing his Conservative opponent (as per the terms of the war-time truce); mbr Society for Individual Freedom; he harboured great resentment, justly attributing his defeat by only 195 votes to Sinclair's failure to support him; after contesting Chippenham again at the first post-war General Election 1945, left Party through 'disappointment at hopelessness of Liberals;' received overtures from Labour but joined Conservatives; fought Carlisle for that party 1955, 1959, (MP 1955-64) in Commons showed himself something of a maverick and individualist, often abstaining or voting against his party; campaigned for improved psychiatric services within National Health Service, drawing attention to plight of elderly people unjustly committed to asylums; was first MP to raise the idea of appointing an Ombudsman 1959; supported the re-introduction of corporal punishment; his rebelliousness resulted in his de-selection as candidate at Carlisle; resigned whip in 1963 over MacMillan's handling of Profumo affair; a proposal he made in the Commons at this point for the introduction of STV in parliamentary elections was predictably rejected; fought as Ind Conservative 1964; founded own pub co; author of many books, vols of autobiography; an obituarist wrote of him, 'an eccentric man of great personal charm and egotistical obstinacy;' d 1978; Bury 1935 (Northwest Region), Bewdley by-e 1937 (West Midland Region), **Chippenham 1945**

JONES, Donald David Oliver, b Islington, London 1916, ed Surbiton g s; worked in ins; later airline traffic assistant with KLM, BOAC during war; later KLM regional sec, PR officer; first Liberal cand locally for more than 20 years; d 1994; **Bristol Central 1950**

JONES, (Capt) Douglas Arthur, b Newport, Monmouthshire 1899; acc; service WWII; very active in public work South Wales/Monmouthshire; subsequently joined National Liberals; deceased; **Bristol South 1945**, Cardiff North 1950 (Wales)

JONES, John, b 1931, ed Cardinal Vaughan's s, Kensington; marketing and sales exec; **Devizes 1970**

JONES, Nigel David, later Lord J. of Cheltenham, b Cheltenham 1948, ed Prince Henry's g s, Evesham; long career in computers with Westminster Bank, Int Comps Ltd, later systems analyst, comp systems designer; Gloucestershire CC; his first and second parliamentary contests were 13 years apart; at Westminster served Party steadfastly successively as spokesman on local government, sports, science and technology, consumer affairs, sport and culture, trade & industry, international development; mbr select committees on Standards and Privileges, Broadcasting, Public Accounts 2002-05; his many interests incl animal welfare; vice-chair all-party parliamentary beer group; he retired at the 2005 General Election and was awarded a Life Peerage; he was earlier the intended victim of a deranged, sword-wielding constituent in his Cheltenham office; a local councillor and personal aide, Andrew Pennington, was killed trying to shield him and was posthumously awarded the George Medal for his selfless act of bravery; Jones himself sustained 57 injuries; it is beyond belief that more than one national newspaper cynically suggested in reports and/in published readers' letters that the tragic incident was a publicity stunt gone horribly wrong or a bid to garner a sympathy vote; after leaving the Commons he ran a PR business; of impressive appearance; d 2022; **Cheltenham 1979, 1992, 1997, 2001; MP 1992-2005; see *Dictionary of Liberal Biography***

JONES, Trevor, OBE, b 1944, ed Counthill g s, Oldham; LSE; local government officer, retailer; cllr West Dorset DC, ldr Lib group, Dorchester TC, Mayor, Dorset CC council ldr 1997-2001; Preston North 1970 (North West Region), **West Dorset 1979, 1983, 1987**

JOSEPHY, Frances Louise, b Broughty Ferry, Fife 1900, ed Seymour Lodge s, Dundee, St Andrews U, Cambridge U; joined NLYL 1924 in which she was active into the 1930s, Chair 1938-39; identified with radical wing of the Party; research assistant to parliamentary radical group which opposed Lloyd-George brand of liberalism; European Federal Union 1941-1945; European Union of Federalists, advocate of global federation; a front rank speaker, life-long campaigner for Party; stalwart attendee of Liberal Summer School; a strong personality; tall and austere in appearance, could be rather forbidding on first meeting but soon became friendly and very communicative; a source of much anecdotal and authoritative information about the Party in the 1920s and 30s; she figures in the Lib Dem History Group booklet, *Mothers of Liberty* (2012); d 1985; Winchester 1929, Basingstoke 1931, **Devizes** 1935, **1945**, Cambridge 1950, 1951 (East of England Region)

JOYCE, James Michael, lives locally, previously worked in Europe for advertising agencies; formerly dpty leader Norfolk CC; **Forest of Dean 2024**

KAY, Dr Harold Tatt, b 1921, ed London, Kings Coll, Westminster Hospital; military service in Aden post war; LPO Council 1945-48; migrated to Canada working as an anaesthetist; **Bristol South 1950**

KAYES, Ros, ed Oxford U, raised in Midlands, graduated in counselling and psychotherapy; dpty head, sixth form coll; cllr West Dorset DC, dpty ldr grp, Dorset CC; lives Bridport; mbr Green Lib Dems; local campaigner; interests incl the local economy; **South Dorset 2010, West Dorset 2015**

KEATING, Patrick, works in international business; local community campaigner; North Somerset DC; **Weston-super-Mare 2019, 2024**

KEW, Rev. Frederick Archibald, b Bedminster, 1896, ed Bedminster Down s, Western Coll, Bristol; varied manual employment, later ran own bacon curing business; Congregational preacher; d 1965; **Weston-super-Mare 1950**

KIELY, John F., b 1957, ed Cardinal Manning s, London; distribution manager; mbr TGWU; Bristol City C; **Bristol East 1992**

KINNAIRD, David, has lived locally for 30 years; ex professional soldier; has MA, MSc; runs own software business; interest incl NHS; **East Wiltshire 2024**

KINSEN, Nan E., **Woodspring 1992, 1997**

KRAVIS, Marcus, b 1969? dir of renewable energy co, formerly in tourism, catering /leisure; district cllr; **North Somerset 2015, Bridgwater & West Somerset 2017**

KYRLE, Martin b 1933, ed Purbrook Park c h s, Southampton U, Sussex U; teacher; Eastleigh BC; great hearted, enthusiastic campaigner for Party at all levels over several decades, universally popular and good company; carried a card with him listing impressive statistics of Party progress at the polls in his constituency which he proudly produced at meetings everywhere; published 2014 a collection of his reminiscences; **Christchurch & Lymington 1974 Feb**, New Forest 1979, Eastleigh 1983, 1987 (both South Central Region)

LAKEMAN, Enid L., OBE, b Tonbridge, Kent 1903, ed Tunbridge Wells Co g s, Bedford Coll, London U; graduate in ind chemistry; WWII service in WAAF; frail in appearance but an indefatigable campaigner in Liberal cause; highly regarded authority on voting systems, leading figure in Electoral Reform Society, Dir 1960-80; scourge of any editor, correspondent or columnist who dared take her subject in vain; devoted advocate of STV system; consulted by emergent democracies and newly established ex-colonial nations; humanist, feminist, internationalist, authoress of now standard work *How Democracies Vote* pub 1974; figures in *Mothers of Liberty* (Lib Dem History Group, 2012); the library at the Electoral Reform Society is named in her honour; greatly admired and respected throughout the Party and beyond; in her first election she was one of only three ex-servicewomen cands in Britain; d Tunbridge Wells 1995; St Albans 1945 (East of England Region), Brixton 1950 (Greater London), **Aldershot 1955, 1959**

LAKEMAN, John F., b 1947, ed Bishop Wodsworth s, Salisbury, Exeter U; self-employed; raised Party share of vote 1979 against national trend, one of few cands in South to do so; **Salisbury 1974 Feb, Oct, 1979, 1983**

LAMB, (Major) Richard A., b 1911, of Catholic background, ed Oxford U; service WW II; from Cumbrian land-owning family; farmer, agriculturalist; defected to Conservatives; fought Stockton-on-Tees for that party 1950; returned to Liberals in 1960s; one time editor of Party periodical *New Outlook*; later wrote several polemical books about the Italian campaign in WW II, British politics etc; one-time close associate of Jeremy Thorpe; influential contributor to Party policy on agriculture; d 1999; Lichfield 1945 (West Midland Region), **North Dorset 1964, 1966**

LAMBERT, Anthony (Tony), b 1943, ed Hitchin g s, Oxford U; asst postal controller, later GPO sen auditor; Thornbury TC (Gloucestershire) in 1970s later fought Birmingham MBC elections; made a strong impression during his short connection with WMRP; he is remembered for his supreme self-confidence, aggressive electioneering and skill in speedily drafting text of leaflets etc; energetic personality and campaigner of great promise; his tragically early death was a great loss to the Party; d Gloucester c1985; **South Gloucestershire 1970**, South West Staffordshire 1974 Oct (West Midlands Region), Newport, Monmouth 1979, Caerphilly 1983 (both Wales)

LARKINS, Heather R., b 1935, ed Colston Girls' s, Bristol, Bristol U; teacher; Avon MBC, Northavon DC; **Northavon 1992**

LAWRENCE, Angela; activist in Abingdon area, cllr Abingdon TC, Mayor 2014-15; has served more than 20 years on Vale of White Horse DC, dpty ldr council, continues to sit as Ind; defected 2012 after Party made decision to join Coalition; **Cotswold 2001**

LAWS, Rt Hon David Anthony, PC, b Farnham, Surrey 1965, ed Woburn Hill s, Weybridge, St George's Coll, Weybridge, Weybridge R C s, Cambridge U; economist; investment banker with J. P. Morgan, later Vice-Pres; from 1994 economic adviser to party, dir of LPO Policy & Research 1997-99; took part in negotiations in Scottish parliament leading to coalition with Lab; co-editor with Paul Marshall of *The Orange Book; Reclaiming Liberalism* pub 2004, associated with 'revisionist' group of Party economists; PC 2010, appointed to the Cabinet as Chief secretary to the Treasury in the coalition government 2010 where he was widely expected to make a great impression, he resigned within days over irregularities in his parliamentary expenses involving rent payments on behalf of his partner; later re-joined government as Minister of State for Schools; generally regarded as well to

the right in his inclinations; see his account of the background to the formation of the Coalition government in 2010, *22 Days In May* (2010); Folkestone & Hythe 1997 (Southeast Region), **Yeovil 2001, 2005, 2010, 2015; MP 2001-15**

LAYTON, Hon Christopher Walter, b 1929, son of 1st Lord Layton, (a leading Party economist of 1930s; newspaper group chair), ed Riverdale s, New York, Oundle, Grenoble U, Cambridge U; served in Intelligence Corps; journalist sometime with *The Economist*; business interests; in 1966 he was within 694 votes, 1.5% of victory; genial personality but as a speaker, a shade prolix at times; Exec Asst to Jo Grimond, Party Leader, 1962-64; Party economics advisor 1962-66; author of many publications on Europe, technology etc; d 2023 **Chippenham by-e 1962, 1964, 1966, Swindon by-e 1969**

LEAMAN, Alan, b 1959, ed Tiffin b s, Kingston-upon-Thames, Bristol U, Pres Students' U; dir of strategy and planning for Party; aide 1988-93 to Paddy Ashdown Party ldr; previously with Age Concern; came within 1.3% of victory; later entered business world, Chief Exec, MCA; contributor to *Journal of Liberal History*; mbr Charter 88; described by *New Statesman* as 'one of the Party's brightest and best;' **Mid Dorset & North Poole 1997**

LEE, Marcus, b 1940? ed Oxford U; conference dir *Financial Times*; **Taunton 1979**

LEGG, Howard Richard, b 1964? raised in Portland; teacher; worked abroad some years; Weymouth & Portland DC, twice Mayor; Dorset CC; mbr South West Regional Ass; Euro cand 1989; cand for Police & Crime Commissioner 2024; interests incl sustainable energy, affordable housing, NHS; a long-time member of Party, originally West Midland Region YLs?; **South Dorset 2015, 2017**

LEGG, Robin A. S., b 1953, ed St Aldhelm's s, Foster's s, Sherborne, Bath U, Coll of Law, Guildford; solicitor with South Somerset DC; Dorset CC, Sherborne TC, Mayor 1995-96; **West Dorset 1992, 1997**

LEMKIN, James Anthony, b 1926; ed Charterhouse, Oxford U; solicitor, later noted Fleet Street journalist; originally a Conservative, Hampstead LBC, was twice Chair, Conservative Bow Group in 1950s; fdr/ Chair, *Crossbow*; contested as Conservative Chesterfield 1959; joined Liberals c 1960; a *Times* obituary described him as 'one of the brilliant group of post war political thinkers' who led Conservative thinking in a 'liberal' direction over 1951-64; d c2008; **Cheltenham 1964**

LOCK, K. Jane, runs own catering supply business; cllr Somerset CC, grp ldr, dpty ldr; Yeovil TC; **Swindon North 2010**

LORT-PHILLIPS, (Lt Col) Patrick Herbert., b 1911, service WW II; awarded DSO twice; farmer, author, journalist; member CND; forced vote on unilateral disarmament, as an act of faith in United Nations at Party Assembly, Sept 1960; Jo Grimond, Party Leader qv (Scotland), though favourably disposed to his candidature in general terms, declined to speak in his support at Ebbw Vale, the rock-solid Labour stronghold, former seat of late Aneurin Bevan where he was the first Liberal cand since 1929; left Party c 1963, having been re-selected as cand for Pembroke, in disagreement over defence policy on nuclear weapons, advocating Britain should disarm unilaterally s an act of faith in the UN; d 1979; **Gloucester by-e 1957, 1959, Ebbw Vale by-e 1960 (Wales)**

LUCAS, Chris, b Singapore 1971, of Caribbean ancestry; graduate in law, U of Middlesex; dir of media cos, media cons; cllr Three Rivers DC, Hertfordshire; lect in FE; mbr anti-slavery groups, ERS, Shelter; interests incl green agenda, civil liberties, economy, housing, transport; lived Weston Village, Bath; Ealing North 2010 (Greater London), **Bristol East 2017**, Hertford & Stortford 2019, Hitchin 2024 (both East of England Region)

LYNCH, Dr Anthony b 1935, ed Marlborough g s, Cambridge U, Royal Free Hospital, London U; general practitioner; Gloucestershire CC; **Forest of Dean 1997**

MacALPINE, Margaret Viola, b Canada 1896, of Scottish ancestry; migrated to UK 1932; managing dir of her own publicity firm, specialising in marketing; d 1982; **Stroud & Thornbury 1950**

McCABE, Matt, Bath & North East Somerset Cllr; lives Bath, calls for more council housing provision; **Swindon South 2024**

MCDONALD, Ian, b 1930, ed Surbiton Co g s; Ch Acc, management acc; **Weston-super-Mare 1964, 1966**

MACGREGOR, Alasdair L., b 1930 ed Stowe s, Lycee Jaccard, Lausanne, Cambridge U, Uppsala, Sweden; agricultural journalist, farmer; **West Gloucestershire 1974 Feb, Oct**

McGUINNESS, Justine M., b 1969, ed St Antony's, Leweston, London U, Heythrop Coll, London; mbr NUS exec; Chair, Women LDs; originally public affairs officer; on staff of Party Ldr Ming Campbell qv (Scotland); worked as head of media for Speaker John Bercow, resigning after her fiery speech at Party Assembly 2014 in which she attacked corruption etc at Westminster; lives Dorchester, local activist; runs own PR agency; approached by McCann parents to head Find Madeleine Campaign; resigned after 90 days, submitting bill for her services, widely deemed outrageously excessive by media; supporter of electoral reform; colourful character; Holborn & St Pancras 1997 (Greater London), **West Dorset 2005**

MacLAREN, Leon, b Glasgow, 1910, as Leonardo da Vinci M, ed Rutlish s, Wimbledon, Hendon; barrister, philosopher; fdr School of Economic Science 1937; deeply influenced by his distinguished father, Leon M. 1883-1975 (a former Labour MP for Burslem 1922-23, 1924-31 and 1935-45 who had strong Liberal sympathies), and by the works of Henry George, P D. Ouspensky, Maharishi Yogi ; called to Bar 1938, practising from Inner Temple; originally Labour he was proposed as their cand at Woodford against Winston Churchill in 1945; later defected to Liberals; d London 1994; **Yeovil 1950**; Hendon 1951 (Greater London)

McLEISH, Dr Alistair C., b 1911, ed St Mary's s, Melrose, Leighton Park s, Reading U, London U, Glasgow U; medical practitioner; deceased; **Bournemouth East 1964, 1966**

McNAIR, C. John, b 1915, ed King's Coll choir s, Shrewsbury, Oxford U; playwright; **Stroud 1959**

MACTAGGART, Jane L., b 1949, ed City Poly, Bristol Poly, Cranfield Inst of tech; organisation and methods analyst; Wanborough TC, Wiltshire CC, Wanborough PC; **Devizes 1992**

MADDOCK, Diana Margaret, née Derbyshire, later Baroness M. of Christchurch, Lady Beith, b Croydon 1947, ed Brockenhurst g s, Shenstone Training Coll, Worcestershire, Portsmouth Poly; teacher of English as a foreign language; Life Peerage 1997; joined Liberals 1976; Southampton City C from 1984, grp ldr; Party President 1998-2000; Berwick upon-Tweed MBC 2007-09, grp ldr; Northumberland CC 2005-08; m Rt Hon Alan Beith qv (Northeast Region); sponsored Private Member's Bill, Home Energy Conservation Act 1995, interests included housing, energy efficiency, Scandinavia, architecture; Deputy Chief Whip in Lords; she won the by-election on a 35.4% swing against the unpopular Tory Government of the day; d Berwick on Tweed 2020; Southampton Test 1992 (South Central Region), **Christchurch, by-e 1993, 1997; MP 1993-1997**; see *Dictionary of Liberal Biography*

MADELEY, John b 1934, ed Bury g s, Manchester U; economic journalist; dir Madeley's Printers, Wilmslow; C of E lay reader; **Christchurch & Lymington 1974 Oct**, Petersfield 1979, Henley 1987 (both South Central Region)

MAIN, James R., b Hong Kong, ed Hong Kong, Australia, Scotland; dental surgeon (at Glastonbury?); served Royal Navy 1985-90; tutor Manchester U Dental School; joined Party in Edinburgh 1988; Bristol MBC; **Bristol South 2001, Bridgwater 2005, 2010**

MALIK, Abdul, b Bristol 1973, of Muslim background; small businessman; local campaigner; Bristol City C; defected to Labour; **Bristol East 2015**

MANDER, (Lt Col) John Arthur Hugh b 1913; admin asst to Director of Education, Newcastle; WW II service, Eastern Command; deceased; **East Dorset 1945**

MANN, Martin, b 1943, ed Cranleigh s; barrister; co-wrote Liberal policy review on agriculture; **Taunton 1974 Feb, Oct**

MANNING, Jeff Stephen, Bath & North East Somerset DC; **Wansdyke 1997**

MARRECO, (Lt Cdr) Anthony Freire, b 1915 of Portuguese descent; service Fleet Air Arm, WW II; barrister; junior counsel at Nuremberg Trials of former Nazi leaders 1946; afterwards mbr Four Power Allied Directorate of Internal Affairs/chief staff officer to British Military Governor of Occupied Germany; later founder-dir of Amnesty International; defected to Conservatives, for whom he fought Goole (Yorkshire Region) 1951, under the National Liberal banner; had reputation as something of a cad, a serial womaniser, much-publicised in gossip columns, his partners were a bizarre assortment of elderly aristocratic widows and divorcees, married four times; d 2006; **Wells 1950**

MARTIN, Prof Edward Stephen, PhD, b 1944, ed High Pavement s, Nottingham, Nottingham U, Reading U, U of Saskatchewan; PhD, academic; Plymouth Poly; HMI for education, ind cons; lives South Littleton, Worcestershire; Euro cand 1999; stepped into vacancy at very short notice 2010; his wife Maureen (b Canada 1945), also an academic, has been a Party activist since 1971, latterly in Mid Worcestershire; **Tewkesbury 2001**, North Warwickshire 2010 (West Midland Region)

MATHEW, Dr Brian George Felton, b 1960, ed Millfield s, Cranfield U PhD, Reading U, Silsoe Coll, U of East Anglia; 25 years as professional aid worker specialising in water, sanitation, and Health Education in Ethiopia, Guinea Bissau, Ethiopia, Mozambique, Honduras, Tanzania; joined Party 1988;

cllr Wiltshire CC from 2017; formerly active Westminster LBC; interested in overseas development; lives Chippenham; he won in 2024 on a swing of 11.8%; in Commons mbr of International Development Select Cttee 2024-; **North Somerset 2010, North Wiltshire 2015, 2017, 2019, Melksham & Devizes 2024; MP 2024-**

MATTHEW, Donald, b 1923, ed Rochdale g s, St Luke's Coll, Exeter, U of London, U of Southampton; economist and lect; Dorset County Education Comm; active with NATFHE; **Bournemouth East & Christchurch by-e 1977, 1979**

MAYHEW, (Major) Christopher Paget, later Lord M. of Wimbledon, b 1915; ed Haileybury s, Oxford U, Pres of Union; WW II service in Intelligence Corps; TV broadcaster, writer; former Labour MP 1945-1950 and latterly Woolwich 1951-1974, Minister of Defence 1964-66, Party Spokesman Foreign Affairs 1961-64 Under Sec of State 1946-50; associated with Ernest Bevin at Foreign Office in establishment of NATO; strong pro-Arab sympathies, defending Nasser against claims that he sought to inflict genocide upon the Israelis; fierce opponent of calls for unilateral nuclear disarmament; joined Liberals 1974 after increasing opposition to leftward trend of Labour; was the first major Commons figure to cross the floor for many years; Life Peer 1981, Party spokesman in Lords on defence; author *Publish It or Not – The Middle East Cover-Up* (1975), autobiography *Time To Explain* (1987); d 1997; **Bath 1974 Oct, 1979**; see *Dictionary of Liberal Biography*

MAYO, 10th Earl of (Irish Peerage), see TERENCE PATRICK BOURKE

MIEVILLE, Hugo: teacher; local campaigner; Blandford Forum TC; interests incl European affairs; **North Dorset 2015**

MILLER, John, b 1948, ed Emanuel s, Tottenham, Middlesex U; lecturer in Design, mark dir for educational and general publishers; owner of two bookshops, Dorset/Somerset; organiser for Paddy Ashdown at Yeovil 1991-92; parish councillor 1981; ALDC Council Support Officer 1997-2003; responsible for campaigns South West 2003-06; cllr South Somerset DC 1991-, dpty leader 1992, leader 1993-96; dir Arts Council South West 1997-2002; author *A Councillor's Handbook* vol 1, co-author vol 2, various handbooks and guides for councillors and candidates; interests, arts in rural areas, eco housing and design; lives Bruton, Somerset; in his single contest he faced a 'continuing Liberal' who polled 3.4%; **Westbury 1997**

MILLER, Roger S., **Weston-super-Mare 1974 Oct**

MILLS, John F., b 1920, ed Ashville Coll, Harrogate; solicitor; Methodist lay preacher; active with World Methodist Council, with Bournemouth Free Church Council; fdr mbr of church housing assn; in his first contest he polled 22.56% in a constituency unaccountably left uncontested by the Liberals for 14 years; deceased; **Bournemouth West 1964, 1966, 1970**

MILNE, (Major) Walter Geoffrey, service WW II, instructor at Sandhurst; barrister; deceased; **Westbury 1945**

MOLONY, Brian Patrick, b 1927, d 1989; **Bournemouth East & Christchurch 1955**

MORELLO, Robin Edward Charles, ed Sir Henry Floyd g s, Aylesbury, Aberystwyth U, lives Bridport; worked in geopolitical and security risk affairs; an internationalist, environmentalist; interests incl rural communities; he won by a majority of 7,789 on a swing of 18.5%; in Commons mbr Foreign Affairs Select Cttee 2024-, National Security Joint Cttee 2024-; **West Dorset 2019, 2024; MP 2024-**

MORGAN, Rowland G., b 1934, ed Tredegar g s, U of Manchester; civil eng, university lect; LPO exec, Somerset CC, Chair, West of England Reg Party; Bedwelty 1974 Feb, Oct (Wales), **Weston-super-Mare 1979, Woodspring 1983, Somerton & Frome 1987**

MUNISAMY, Paul, b 1943, ed Open U; ret nurse tutor; cllr Gloucester City C; one of first Lib Dem BME cllrs elected; **Gloucester 1997**

MUNRO, John, b 1984, ed Bournville s, Weston Sixth Form Coll, Wyvern s, Keele U; works in career promotion in retail trade; joined Party 1997; **Weston-super-Mare 2015**, Welwyn Hatfield 2024 (East of England Region)

MUNT, Tessa Jane, née Vasey, b Surrey 1959, of a family with distant Jewish forebears; ed convent, Reigate County h s, Sutton h s, ind s, coll; with London law firm, later sales and marketing, personnel; sometime PA to Middlesex & England cricketer Phil Edmonds; originally Labour, joined Party 1999; supporter of unilateral nuclear disarmament; dpty Chair PCA 2002-09; PPS to Vince Cable qv (Greater London) 2012-15; Party Whip in Commons; cllr Somerset CC/UA 2017-; Cabinet mbr Children, Family and Education 2022-23; lives Highbridge; she swept back into Westminster on a 16.1% rise in her vote; mbr Administration Cttee 2024-, Justice Select Cttee 2024-; Suffolk South 2001, Ipswich by-e 2001 (both East of England Region) **Wells 2005, 2010, 2015, 2017, 2019, Wells & Mendip Hills 2024; MP 2010-2015, 2024-**

MURRAY, Alasdair James, b Cambridge 1970, ed King Edward VI s, Southampton, Oxford U, Central European U, Prague, City U; economist; adviser, Quiller Cons, Director Centre Forum, dpty Director Centre for European Reform, economic and Brussels Correspondent for *The Times*; interested in demographic change globalization, migration policy; author various publications on economics, co-editor *Britain After Blair* (2006); held office Peckham LDA, London; lives Oxford; **Bournemouth West 2010**

MUSGRAVE, George H., b 1915, ed Hornsey County s, Paton Coll, Nottingham; co managing dir; active abroad with Commonwealth Missionary Society 1943-55; deceased; **Bournemouth East & Christchurch 1970, 1974 Feb, Oct**

NAPIER, Christine R., b 1940, ed Montrose Acad, St Andrews U, Lancaster U; management and dvlpmnt cons; North Wiltshire DC; **North Wiltshire 1992**

NATION, David, cllr Mid Devon DC, Crediton TC; appointed Hon Alderman for over 20 years' service; **Swindon North 2001**, Tiverton & Honiton 2005 (Devon & Cornwall Region)

NEWSOM, George Howard, QC, b 1909, ed Marlborough, Oxford U; called to Bar 1934; practised at Chancery Bar to 1979; acted as 'poor man's lawyer' at Toynbee Hall, London East 1934-39; QC 1956; Chair, East Wilts Sessions 1964-71, Recorder of Crown Court 1972-74; one-time visiting Prof of Law, U of Auckland, New Zealand; d 1992; **West Dorset 1945**

NIBLETT, Brian, b 1957, ed Filton h s, Bristol, Salford U, West of England U; public affairs manager; an intense, spikey personality, somewhat over-confident about his abilities; Wolverhampton North East 1997 (West Midland Region), **Bristol East 2001**

NICHOLAS, Jon, b Redditch, Worcestershire, raised there and in USA, ed Poole Coll, U of Glamorgan, Webber Douglas Academy, London; graduate in psychology; career as facilitator (post conflict areas) cross-community consultation; highly talented communicator; former actor; widely travelled Britain, Europe, Asia; **Bournemouth East 2015, 2017, Bournemouth West 2019, Bournemouth East 2024**

NICHOLSON, Ellen, career in nursing, lately in university sector; has served on senior national health organisations; interests incl universal health care, carbon neutral targets, education, rural affairs, crime; strongly pro- Europe; she appears to have been selected originally to stand at Dulwich West & Norwood but stood down following an agreement with the Green Party; **South West Wiltshire 2019**

NORBURY-WILLIAMS, Lawrence I., b 1922, ed King Edward VII g s, Sheffield, Liverpool Nautical Coll; Teacher Training Coll; dpty head; **South Dorset 1959, by-e 1962**

NORTHOVER, Rt Hon Lindsay Patricia, PC, née Granshaw, later Baroness N. of Cissbury, b 1954, ed Brighton & Hove s, U of Pennsylvania, Bryn Mawr Coll; Basildon lect University Coll, London U, Oxford U; researched history of modern medicine; formerly SDP see SDP section (East of England) chair WLDS 1992-95; for whom she fought Welwyn Hatfield 1983, 1987; joined Party on merger 1988; Life Peerage 2000; has served on many committees incl Select Comm on Embryo Stem Cell Research; Health Spokesperson in Lords; Government Whip from 2010, Under Sec of State International Development 2014-15; many interests incl UNICEF; Basildon 1997 (East of England), **Bournemouth East 2010**

NUTLAND, Ben, b Bristol, lives Chipping Sodbury; worked for UNICEF; now in food ind latterly managing dir of a locally based international export co; also involved with US sponsored Young Leadership Initiative; attracted to Party by opposition of Charles Kennedy qv (Scotland) to Iraq War; deeply concerned at Syrian tragedy; **Bristol South 2017**

NUTTALL, Hilda, b Ashton 1921, ed Dartford, Whitelands Coll, Putney; teacher in Bristol/Bath; active with League of Nations Union; awarded League bursary to study in Geneva; Vice-Chair Bath L A, Western Counties YLs; interests incl travel, political philosophy/thought; d 1970; **Bristol West 1950**

OAKES, Graham J., b 1959, ed Westfield comp s, Yeovil Coll, Royal Coll of Nursing; nursing career; Somerset CC, Yeovil TC, South Somerset DC; Exeter 1992 (Devon & Cornwall Region), **Wells 2001, South Dorset 2005, Exeter 2010** (Devon & Cornwall)

O'DONNELL, Gerard, b 1937, ed Westminster Cathedral Choir s, St Clement Dane's g s, Hull U; Principal Wellington F E Centre, Southwest Somerset Evening Inst; claimed to have won while at University a marathon speaking competition with an effort allegedly lasting twelve hours! **Taunton 1970**

OLIVER, Rachel Clare see GILMOUR

O'LOUGHLIN, Patrick M., b 1921, elem ed; PO employee; officer of Public Services Assn; **Bridgwater by-e 1970, 1970**

OTTER, Robin G., b 1926, ed Marlborough s, Oxford U; solicitor, former district commissioner, Kenya; raised rare breed of Gloucestershire cattle; active professionally until his late 70s; Euro cand 1979; remembered as a serious-minded campaigner and for his commitment and stiff military bearing; South Worcestershire 1966 (West Midland Region), **Westbury 1970, Cirencester & Tewkesbury 1974 Feb, Oct**

PAJAK, Stanley S., b 1957, ed St Joseph's R C comp s, Salford U; distribution manager; Wiltshire CC, Thamesdown DC; there was an interval of 20 years between his first two contests in the constituency; **Swindon South 1997, 2017, 2019**

PALMER, Bret, a consultant at Royal United Hospital, Bath; advocates a tax on wealth; supports idea of energy self-sufficient Britain; calls for strong local health services, closer relations with EU; **South West Wiltshire 2024**

PAMPLIN, Dr Brian R., b 1933, ed Bristol g s, Cambridge U, Nottingham U; scientist/U lect; Vice-Pres Philosophical Society of England; **Bath 1964**

PANTON, Thomas, lives Stour Row, Blackmore Vale ed Southampton U, Bergen, Norway; interests incl support for rural communities, education, European Union; **North Dorset 2017**

PARRY, Ian, b 1962, ed Meadway s, Reading, U Coll of Wales, Cardiff; Ch Acc, co dir; Bristol City C; **Bristol North West 1997**

PAYNE, Gordon E., town planning cons, economist, author, broadcaster, university lect; mbr of various prof bodies, Town Planning Inst, Chartered Surveyors etc; **Gloucester 1951**

PEARCE, Alice, b 1900, elem ed; mbr Railway Clerks' Assn; Vice-Pres WLF 1958-59; redoubtable local campaigner who took out a mortgage to raise money for her deposit which she subsequently lost; undeterred, she fought again as an Ind Liberal 1964; deceased; see also Stevenson G. W. **Bristol North East 1959**

PERCIVAL, Allan, b 1925, ed Marlborough, Cornwall h s, Ontario, McGill U, Montreal; farmer; Chair, West Dorset L A; **West Dorset 1970**

PHILLIPSON, John Robert, b East Retford, Nottinghamshire 1890; first Liberal cand locally for 21 years; Ch Mech Eng; ran eng firms mainly on Tyneside, establishing own firm in London; later chair of Bristol eng firm; active with Bristol Chamber of Commerce; d 1974; **Taunton 1950**

PINCHING, William F. J., b 1942, ed Sherbourne s, St John's Coll, Oxford U, Pres U Liberal Club 1964; **Wells 1970**

PINKERTON, (Barbara) Jeanne, JP b Plymouth, 1946, ed Oldland g s, Sandwell t c; varied career, lately partner in market garden; joined Liberals 1966; English Council; Bristol MBC 1986-88; **Kingswood 1992, 1997**, Stafford 2001 (West Midland Region)

PINNEY, Michael Azariah (Aza), b 1936, ed Eton, Oxford U, Dorset Farm Inst; remembered for sporting a 'toff' image and 'knowing people'; resilient campaigner over twenty years; fdr mbr Dorset Grassland Society; latterly an officer of the Devonshire Sheepdog Society; **West Dorset 1964, 1966**, West Derbyshire by-e 1967 (East Midlands), West Devon 1974 Feb, Oct, North Devon 1987 (both Devon & Cornwall Region)

PLUMMER, Mike L., b 1955, ed Teeside Poly, Wolverhampton Poly, Bournemouth U; lect; Poole MBC; **South Dorset 1997, Poole 2005, Bournemouth West 2015, Poole 2017**

POPHAM, (Sqd Ldr) Mike, service RAF; formerly Conservative; Worthing BC; **Bristol East 2010**

PORTMAN, Hon Michael Berkeley, b 1906, son of 7th Viscount Portland, from a wealthy family of local landowners; service WW II in Fleet Air Arm; d 1959; **North Dorset 1955**

PUGH, Frances? Mary, b Romford, Essex 1897, ed University College of SW, Exeter; joined YLs; one-time sec to popular novelist Edgar Wallace (himself a former Liberal cand in 1931); Cllr/Alderman, Devon CC; Vice-President Devon & Cornwall Federation; WWII served with WVS; Mayoress of Torquay during mayoralty of her father; remained active with Torbay L A; d 1996; **Bristol Central 1950**

PYM, Hugh Ruthven, b Malmesbury, Wiltshire 1959, ed Marlborough Coll, Oxford U; related to Conservative Foreign Secretary Francis Pym; began career in local radio at Hull, leading radio/TV journalist; correspondent with ITV 1988-98, BBC Chief Economics Correspondent, later moving to Health Editor; received Charles Wheeler Award 2020 for his coverage of the Covid-19 Pandemic; author of four books inc *Banking Crisis* (2014); became a leading authority on the banking crisis and UK economic recession 2008-14; of immense presence, 6ft 7ins tall; in his single parliamentary contest he polled over 20,000 votes (38.2%) in a traditional Tory stronghold; **North Wiltshire 2001**

RADFORD, Nick M. H., b 1984, ed Bemerton St John's, Salisbury Cathedral s, Oxford U; electrical technician; runs co installing solar panels; **Salisbury 2010**

RADLEY, Eric J., b 1917, ed Eltham Coll, London U; farmer, writer; Gloucester RDC; deceased; **West Gloucestershire 1959**

RAWSON, Wyatt Trevelyan Rawson, b 1894, ed Westminster s, Cambridge U; his grandfather was a secretary to W. E. Gladstone; while a student in Germany he was interned during WWI; later entered teaching in USA later Dorset; Chair, Dorset Liberal Council; Sec, New Education Fellowship; author 1937 *The Freedom We Seek*; d 1980; **South Dorset 1950**

RAYNER, Vivienne A., b 1950, ed Godolphin & Latymer s, Hammersmith, Nottingham U; businesswoman, own employment agency; Isle of Wight CC; Euro cand 1989; in 1992 she faced a 'continuing Liberal' who polled 2%; Southampton, Test 1987 (South Central Region), **Westbury 1992**

RENAUT, Richard, ed Summerbee, Bournemouth s, Oxford U, Pres U Liberal Club; Bournemouth MBC; NHS manager; North East Cambridgeshire 2001 (East of England Region), **Bournemouth West 2005**

RENDEL, David Digby b Athens (where his father was on British Embassy staff) 1949, ed Eton, Oxford U; mbr winning Boat Race crew of 1974 which set new record time; (his ancestor Stuart R., later Lord Rendel was MP for Montgomeryshire 1880-94); in Cameroon and Uganda with VSO for a year; with Shell Oil; Newbury BC 1987-95; strong advocate of controversial local by-pass, his majority at by-e was the highest-ever for Liberal/Lib-Dem cand; he faced a phalanx of 18 opponents on the ballot paper; in Commons was a conscientious and active constituency MP; spokesman on Further/Higher Education, later Social Security, Local Government; served on influential Public Affairs Comm; led opposition to cuts to benefits to single parents and the disabled; was first MP to bring to wider the notice the discrepancies in SERPS which required immediate legislation; unsuccessful in Party Leadership election 1989, mbr Federal Exec to 2014; his stand on the Newbury by-pass and the inevitable threat to the Vale of the White Horse were ultimately factors in his defeat; a major loss to the Parliamentary Party; one of a handful of dissidents at special Assembly convened at Birmingham to approve Party joining Coalition 2010, sole mbr of Federal Exec to vote against; tall and of distinguished appearance, somewhat stiff on first meeting; described as 'a model of liberalism and selfless integrity;' d of cancer, Berkshire, May 2016; Fulham (Greater London) 1979, 1983, Newbury 1987, 1992, by-e 1993, 1997, 2001, 2005, 2010 (South Central Region), **Somerton & Frome 2015; MP 1993-2005**; see *Dictionary of Liberal Biography*

REVANS, William J., b 1968, ed Taunton s, Lancaster U; comp journalist; originally SDP student wing; on staff of US Congressman Gerry Sikorski 1988; **Bridgwater 1992, Bridgewater & West Somerset 2019**

RICHARDS, Terence D. G., b 1947, ed Oakmead b s, Bournemouth, Bournemouth Coll of T'nology; manager of paper firm; **Bournemouth West 1974 Feb, Oct 1979**

RICHARDSON, (Capt) Harold Banning, b Windsor 1910, ed Lawrenceville s, New Jersey, USA, Princeton U, Cambridge U; held appointments in India, Minister of Education, Indore state; army service in India WW II, attended San Francisco Conference as sec to Indian delegation; in 1953 LPO published his pamphlet *Commonwealth and Empire; Liberal Concept*; later business exec; formerly Labour, fought Westmorland for that party 1945; migrated to Canada where he became a broker in Toronto; d 1993; **Westbury 1950, 1951**

RIDER, Antony, b 1938, ed Bristol m g s Chair, Weston-super-Mare LDA, Axbridge RDC; first Liberal cand locally for 20 years; **Bristol Central 1970**

RIGBY, Manda, b Bolton, ed U of Bristol, where she was the first female Liberal Pres of the Union, later Bath Spa U; lived London working for Tokyo securities firm; moved into financial PR field; wrote columns for *FT*, *The Economist* etc; contributed to many TV programmes, films; later moved into marketing in IT sector; Bath & North East Somerset DC; became Britain's first woman association

football club Chairman at Bath City; **Devizes 2015, Somerset North East 2017**, Cardiff West 2024 (Wales)

RIDGWAY, William, b 1901, ed Lawrence Sherriffe s, Rugby; Ch Valuer and Surveyor; RAF service WWII; active with Home Counties Liberal Federation, fighting LCC election; deceased; Uxbridge 1935 (Greater London Region), Chertsey 1945 (South East Region), **Poole 1950, 1951**

RITCHIE, S. Anne, ed Hitchin g s, Hatfield; **Stroud 1974 Feb, Oct**

ROBINSON, Denys, b 1943, ed William Hulme g s, Manchester, Oxford U; sen English master, New Coll s, Oxford; **Cirencester & Tewkesbury 1970**, Eye (East of England Region) 1974 Feb

ROBINSON, Myles P., b 1950, ed Malvern Coll; Ch Surveyor; Gloucestershire CC; **Stroud 1992**

ROBSON, Stina Inga, later Baroness R., née Arvidsson, b Stockholm 1919, ed Olinska g s, Stockholm; Life Peerage 1974; worked for Swedish Foreign Ministry 1939-43 in England; m (Sir) Lawrence R. 1940 qv (South Central Region), a generous patron of the Party; organised with her husband many residential weekends for cand s and Party personalities sat their home Kidlington, nr Oxford in 1950-60s; became spokesman in Lords on agriculture, environment, health; Chair of panel investigating fraud in Chipping Norton RDC; LPO Council 1960s, Pres WLF 1968-70, Life Peerage 1974; resolutely opposed to radical objectives of NLYLs; succeeded her husband as Chair of National Liberal Club, 1982, helping to put together a financial package which saved the Club from extinction; at the time of her death was longest serving JP in Britain; statuesque, formidable Nordic figure; rather aloof in manner, she could be abrupt and dismissive of colleagues and those she considered to be of minor importance; figures in *Mothers of Liberty* (Lib Dem History Group, 2012); d 1999; Eye 1955, 1959 (East of England Region), **Gloucester 1964, 1966**; see *Dictionary of Liberal Biography*

RODGER, Frederick Carson C., b 1916, ed Kelvinside, Glasgow U; ophthalmic surgeon, explorer, author, broadcaster; prof Aligrh U, India, dir Royal Commonwealth Society for Blind; WHO cons; mbr int comm on prevention of blindness; **Cheltenham 1974 Feb, Oct**

ROMERO, Dine, a local community campaigner on many issues; Bath & North East Somerset DC; her interests incl housing, schools, local amenities; **Kingswood 2019, North East Somerset & Hanham 2024**

ROUNDELL-GREENE, Jo, grand-daughter of 1st Earl Attlee, Labour Party Leader 1935-55, Prime Minister 1945-51; cllr South Somerset DC, dpty ldr; **Yeovil 2017**

RUSSELL, Neil R., b 1951, ed Dartmouth Boys' Tech; community worker; Dorset CC; **Bournemouth East 1992**

SABINE, Anna Elizabeth, raised in Hampshire, ed Oxford U; lived locally for 20 years; worked in charity sector, businesswoman; environmentalist; in Commons LD Spokesperson for Culture, Media & Sport 2025-, mbr Cttee on Standards 2024-, Cttee of Privileges 2024-; **Frome & East Somerset 2024; MP 2024-**

SAMPLE, Paul, b 1961, ed Bishop Wordsworth's s, Salisbury, City U; research officer for Parliamentary Party 1983-85, editor *Liberal News* 1985-88; lect on educational-marketing, mbr Chartered Institute of Public Relations; joined Party 1977; Wiltshire CC 1993-2005, group leader 2001-03, Salisbury DC 1990- , Mayor of New Sarum 1997-98, Wiltshire Police Authority 1993-2005; Vice-Chair ALDC 2006 – Wiltshire JP 2004 to date; there was an interval of 25 years between his two contests in the constituency; **Salisbury 1992, 2017**

SANDERS, Rev David, b 1934, ed Kingswood s, Bath, Oxford U; Methodist superintendent minister; Euro cand 1979; Runcorn 1974 Oct (Northwest Region), **North Somerset 1979**, Middlesbrough 1983 (Northeast Region)

SANDY, C., **South Dorset 1974 Oct**

SANGER, Stanley, RAF WW II; former dir Plymouth Builders' Assn; **Weston-super-Mare 1945**

SAVAGE, Dr Rosalind Elizabeth Adrianna (Roz), MBE, FRGS, b Northwich, Cheshire 1967, ed Perse g s, Oxford U; BA in Law; environmentalist, UN Climate Hero, writer, ocean oarswoman, known for solo rowing across Atlantic, Pacific, holds 4 Guinness World Records for solo rowing; marathon runner; National Geographic Adventurer of the Year; cand for Stroud DC 2023; she won in 2024 on a swing of 16.3%; in Commons mbr of Petitions Cttee 2024-, Environmental Audit Cttee 2024-; **South Cotswolds 2024; MP 2024-**

SEARBY, Keith, b 1947, ed Henbury Comp s, Bristol, Trowbridge Boys h s, bank clerk later public relations cons; Vice-Chair NLYLs; **South Dorset 1970**, Merton, Wimbledon 1974 Feb, Oct (Greater London)

SEWELL, John M., b 1944, ed Chipping Campden s, Bristol Coll of Commerce; eng; Gloucestershire CC grp ldr; Ass of County Councils, Local Government Management Board; interests incl Amnesty Int; **Gloucester 1992, Tewkesbury 1997**

SHERRIFF, Brian S., b 1935, ed g s, St Luke's Coll, Exeter U; schoolmaster; **South Gloucestershire 1964, Poole 1966**

SHORT, David C., b 1943, ed Gravesend g s, Kingsway Day Continuation Coll; ins cons; Free Church lay preacher; Hereford BC, Hereford CC, Worcester CC; **South Gloucestershire 1974 Feb, Oct**, Leominster 1992 (West Midland Region)

SIEGLE, Linda E., b 1945, ed Purley g s, Guy's Hospital; marketing dir; JP; one of the influx of highly talented women into the Party in the early 1980s; seemed destined to make a strong impression in politics but left the scene early; Somerset CC, Dorset CC; **Devizes 1987, North Dorset 1992.**

SILVER, Bernard, b 1937, ed Kilburn g s, Coll for Distributive Trades; remembered for strong sense of humour, stinging one liners and impressive moustache; he had a series of contretemps with his agent at Walsall, the redoubtable Olive Griffiths qv (West Midland Region) who he claimed in his speech at the count 'aged me!' during the campaign; a real character; began fighting elections at just 21 years of age; Vice-Chair Lib Dem Friends of Israel; St Marylebone 1974 Feb, Oct (Greater London Region), **Bristol West 1979**, Walsall South 1983 (West Midland Region)

SLADE, Vikki, b 1972, ed Tonbridge g s; businesswoman, financial adviser; cllr Poole BC 2011-19, Bournemouth, Christchurch & Poole BC 2018-, council ldr 2019-20, 2023-24; many interests incl children's centres, environment, domestic abuse, renewable energy; energetic campaigner; Spokesperson in Commons on Housing, Communities and Local government 2024-25, mbr Justice Select Cttee 2025-; she won her constituency on her 4th attempt; **Mid Dorset & North Poole 2015, 2017, 2019, 2024; MP 2024-**

SMITH, John V., b 1926, ed Ebley s, Marling s, Cambridge U; managing dir corn merchants' firm; **Stroud 1966**

STACEY, Robert G. R., b 1926, ed Hornsey County s, Stationers' Company s, Hornsey; boatswain with Bristol Port Authority; active with TGWU in Bristol Docks; **Bristol West 1966, 1970, 1974 Feb, Oct**

STEBBING, Dr Sue, b 1951, Plymouth, ed Plymouth g h s, Wye Coll, U of London; self-employed management cons; worked in voluntary sector, later with health authorities; Newbury MBC, West Berkshire DC; **Swindon South 2005**

STEVENS, H. John, b 1943, ed Trowbridge s, Wilts, Brunel Coll; computer service manager; persistent campaigner over 30 years; at Bristol South he was the first Liberal cand for 24 years; **Bristol North West 1970, Bristol South 1974 Feb**, South Fylde 1979 (Northwest Region), North Shropshire 1992, 1997 (West Midland Region)

STEVENSON, George William, b 1894; cllr; the election he contested is the subject of a highly readable academic study, *Marginal Seat*, by R. S. Milne and H. C. McKenzie (Hansard Society, 1955); d 1972? **Bristol North East 1955**

SULLY, Claire, Somerset cllr, dpty Chair Lib Dem group; interests incl gender pay gap, poverty trap; **Bridgwater 2024**

SUTCLIFFE, Anthony (Tony), grew up at Kingswood, ed Open U; project manager; set up public transport co in Middle East; parish cllr; seeks a fair and prosperous, innovative economy that promotes opportunity and well-being; **Bristol East 2024**

SUTTON, Bryan, ed LSE; dpty Principal, Bournemouth & Poole Coll of FE; **Poole 1979**

SVENDSEN, J. Ian, b 1927, ed Dame Allen g s, later g s at Newcastle-upon-Tyne, Nantwich and Acton, Cheshire; Durham U; teacher; **West Gloucestershire 1970**

TAPPER, Dr Geoffrey W., b 1931, ed Kingswood s, Bath, Middlesex Hospital Medical School; general medical practitioner; North Dorset DC; **North Dorset 1983, 1987**

TATAM, Nicholas W. H., b 1947, ed Essex U, Lancaster U, Bretton Hall Coll of Education; planner with Essex Water Authority; **Bristol South East 1979**

TAYLOR, Edward B., b 1928, ed prep s, Canford; former professional soldier, later farmer; **Weston-super-Mare by-e 1958, 1959**

TAYLOR, (Col) Geoffrey Fawsitt, b 1903, ed Merchant Taylors' s, Cambridge U, King's Coll Hospital, London; worked in Indian Medical Service before becoming a Somerset GP, made strong impact on LPO Council in early 1960s; noting sharp increase in deaths of elderly patients during the arctic winter of 1962-63 from combination of malnutrition and the effects of intense cold, he is credited by some as having devised and popularised the term, hypothermia; made impassioned pleas for higher Old Age Pensions and emergency aid for utility bills; also a fruit farmer; d 1982; **Yeovil 1955, 1959, 1964, 1974 Feb, Oct**

TAYLOR, John D., b 1964; ed U Coll, Swansea; pensions admin officer; **Bristol North West 1992**

TEMPERLEY, Humphrey P. N., b 1948, ed Eton, Cambridge U; sheep farmer, wine maker, dir Temperley Wines; cllr Somerset CC, environment spokesman, Somerset DC; mbr Exmoor National Park Board; **Wells 1992**

TETLOW, Alan, b 1947, ed Bolton s, Dundee U; dental surgeon; cllr Dorset CC dept ldr; **Poole 1997**

THOMAS, Aaron Cameron, b 1982; joined RAF at 17. Later graduating from Cranwell Coll; served with tactical communications wing; tours of duty in Cyprus, Middle East, Afghanistan etc; specialised in training; responsible for distribution of covid vaccines in East Midlands in 2021; his victory by 6,262 votes on a swing of 20.7% was probably the most sensational for the party in 2024, achieved in a constituency which had been a Conservative stronghold well over a century; in Commons mbr Environmental Audit Select Cttee 2024-25, Culture, Media & Sport Select Cttee 2025-; **Tewkesbury 2024; MP 2024-**

THORN, Ian L., b 1965, ed Plume s, Maldon, Colchester Inst, public relations officer, later businessman in Bath; originally served Maldon DC, later Wiltshire CC 2013-17, Bradford-upon-Avon TC; lives Bradford-upon-Avon; Colchester South & Maldon 1992 (East of England Region), **Bridgwater 2001**

TRIMNELL, Dr Rebecca, holds PhD in politics; lives Westgate; lately working for people suffering from dementia in local care home; joined Party 2000; **Gloucester 2019, 2024**

TYRER, Peter Edward, b 1947, ed Austin Friars s, Carlisle, De la Salle Coll of Ed, Manchester, Exeter U, Open U; teacher; area organiser Oxfam; Wallasey 1974 Feb, Oct (Northwest Region), **Bristol East 1983**

TYZACK, Peter, b Coventry 1946, ed Bablake s, Shoreditch Coll, originally teacher for 20 years in Coventry; set up property agency, building co, later property adviser; joined Party c1975, Northavon DC, South Gloucestershire UA; Chair, Severn Estuary Partnership; lives Severn Beach; **Bristol East 1997, Bristol North West 2001, Filton & Bradley Stoke 2010**, Halesowen 2015 (West Midland Region)

VICKERS, Anthony James Muschamp, b Delhi 1946, ed Wellington Coll, Brighton Coll of T'nology, Hong Kong Poly & U; Kingston U PhD; Ch Land Surveyor; engineer; long list of professional appointments incl Royal Engineers officer 1976-95, Military Survey 1980, retiring as Lt-Col; various visiting fellowships; joined Liberals 1964; cllr South Gloucestershire DC 1995-97 and 2003 to date;

many interests incl Action on Land Value Taxation; ALTER; Newbury DC; interests incl UNA; author of papers on geographic and land information; **Devizes 1997**, Hackney South 2001 (Greater London)

VIGAR, David, b Bristol 1956, ed Reigate g s, Oxford U; journalist BBC producer/director Radio Four; worked for Paddy Ashdown Party Ldr qv; in 1996 dir of communications for European Movement; later ran writing/communications business; active with MENCAP; lives Bradford-on-Avon; **Westbury 2001**

WALKER-SMITH, Adrian A., b 1947, ed London U; managing dir of mail order publishers; interests incl affordable housing, prospects of young people, mental health; involved with consumer protection organisations; worked with Consumer Direct? it was suggested in 2015 that he had previously contested the constituency as SDP but this is incorrect; there was an interval of over three decades between his first and last contests; Cities of London & Westminster 1983 (Greater London), **Stroud 1987, 2015**

WALTERS, Oliver John, born and ed locally; local cllr; **Poole 2024**

WALTHAM, Jo, lives Marlborough; joint owner-manager of web design co; joined Party after 2016 Referendum; her interests incl climate change, education, environment, Europe; **Devizes 2019**

WARD, (Lt) Wilfred Ewart, b 1914, ed Taunton s; acc, proprietor of retails shops; WW II naval service; Weymouth MBC; d 1993; **South Dorset 1945, 1951**

WARDLE, R. S., **Bristol South East 1974 Oct**

WAREHAM, William J., **Bournemouth East & Christchurch 1959**

WATKINS, Phillip George, b Bristol 1930, ed Bristol g s, Oxford U, Treasurer/Pres U Liberal Club; man of rigid probity, principles; committed Christian, devout Anglican mbr of Synod; acc; later PO Treasurer 1972-77; his tenure of the top LPO finance post coincided with a period of acute financial difficulties; said to have disliked fund-raising responsibilities; in his defence it is argued he was never fully in charge of Party finances; Jeremy Thorpe, who he trusted implicitly, continued to maintain personal control over a 'special fund' for expenditure in targeted constituencies; press nevertheless spoke of him as one of the Party's most influential figures; other interests included Liberal Int, Electoral Reform Soc, fdr mbr Liberal Friends of Israel; Vice-Chair National Liberal Club; London Liberal Party Exec, Pres 1987, PCA; of unprepossessing appearance; dogged campaigner over six general elections; at Bridgwater he was the first Liberal cand for 25 years; d 1995; **Bridgwater 1959, 1964, 1966, North Dorset 1970, 1974 Feb, Oct**

WATSON, George G., b Brisbane 1927, ed Brisbane Boys Coll, U of Queensland; Oxford U; academic later lect at Cambridge U ret 1990; life-long Liberal with history of dissent; bequeathed his personal fortune of £950,000 to Party 2014, the largest donation received for a decade; leading figure in Oxford U intellectual debating society, The Socratic Club; worked for Euro Commission; mbr Party Co-ownership Comm 1951-57; Euro cand Leicester 1979; sen Treasurer Cambridge U Liberal Club 1978-92; author of many books, articles, biographical studies; highly revered for his association with seminal Liberal symposium 1957 *The Unservile State, Essays in Liberty and Welfare*; author of studies

in English Literature incl one on life-long associate C. S. Lewis; first Liberal cand locally for 30 years; d 2013; **Cheltenham 1959**

WATTS-MILLER, William, b 1944, ed King's Park s, Edinburgh U; Bristol MBC; first Liberal cand locally for nearly 30 years, he polled 20.7%; **Bristol North East 1974 Feb, Oct**

WEBB, Dorothy, b 1949, ed Hornchurch g s, Essex, U of Aberystwyth, military police officer, later careers adviser, soft-ware specialist; Dartford 1997 (Southeast Region), **Christchurch 2001**

WEBB, Rt Hon (Prof) Sir Steven John (Steve), Kt, PC, b Birmingham 1965, ed Dartmouth h s (comp), West Bromwich, Oxford U; with Inst of Fiscal Studies; Prof of Social Policy, Bath U from 1995; one of MPs who pioneered setting up a blog site; Party spokesman on Work/Pensions 2001; contributor to *Orange Book*; Minister of State for Pensions in Coalition Government 2010-15, introducing major changes; PC 2014; mbr Christians in Parliament, Lib Dem Christian Forum; after leaving Commons joined Royal London Mutual Ass. 2015-20; Kt 2017; **Northavon 1997, 2001, 2005; Thornbury & Yate 2010, 2015; MP 1997-2015**; see *Dictionary of Liberal Biography*

WEBSTER, Liz, b Cardiff; career in advertising incl spell with Satchi & Satchi, now runs own recruitment agency; fdr Save British Farming; campaigned courageously over four years for an official enquiry after her son was left seriously brain-damaged when attacked by a hammer while at school; resolutely anti-Brexit, concerned by problems of air pollution; cand Wiltshire PCC 2019, cand Party President 2022; left party and joined The Rejoin EU Party 2024, **Swindon North 2017, The Cotswolds 2019**

WEDMORE, Keith B., b Orpington 1932, of Quaker background; ed Cambridge U, Middle Temple; called to the Bar 1955; Chertsey UDC; mbr of Consumer Protection Comm which reported in 1962; associated with group which published controversial and forward-looking *Towards a Quaker View of Sex* (1964); **Bristol West 1964**

WESTBROOK, Nick S. E., b 1948, ed Peter Symond s, Winchester, Framlingham Coll, Suffolk, Heriot Watt U; public relations cons, chief exec Youth Training Ltd; a stalwart, if somewhat peripatetic, campaigner over 27 years; Plymouth, Devonport 1974 Oct (Devon & Cornwall Region), **Aldershot 1979, 1983**, Mid Sussex 1987 (Southeast Region), **Poole 2001**

WESTON, Edward J., b 1946, ed Lancastrian s, Chichester; management cons/electrical eng; interests incl Historic Towns and Villages of UK, architecture; **Cirencester & Tewkesbury 1992**

WHITCHER, Albert Ernest, b High Cliffe, Christchurch 1907; moved to Bath 1933, Bath MBC; dir of motoring business; active with North Somerset Diocesan Mission and with organisations caring for people with hearing difficulties; d 1988; **North Somerset 1950**

WIGODER, Basil Thomas, later Lord W. of Cheetham, b Manchester 1921, of Jewish background, ed Manchester g s, Oxford U, Pres of Union, service WW II; leading barrister of his day featuring in many major trials, later Recorder of Crown Court; LPO Exec Chair 1963; Life Peer 1974, Chief Whip Lords 1977-84, spokesman on Home Affairs and Health; founder Criminal Bar Assn, Chair of BUPA; Chair, Health Services Board; remembered for his warm, engaging voice, which became incisive in debate; sharp wit; popular speaker at Party Assemblies and on radio/TV; was always approachable; his abilities would have made him an invaluable asset to the Party in the Commons as he later

proved in the Lords; d 2004; **Bournemouth 1945, by-e 1945, Westbury 1959, 1964**; see *Dictionary of Liberal Biography*

WILKINSON, Karen, has lived locally 30 years; worked in financial services, for Legal Services Commission; set up community energy project; seeks greater parental voice in schools; believes MPs should help constituents who have nowhere else to go for assistance; **Kingswood 2017**

WILKINSON, Maximilian Peter McGregor (Max), b Stroud 1984, ed Broadoak Community s, Churchill Community s, Cardiff U; works in communications, one-time newspaper journalist with Gloucestershire papers; pro-Remain campaign stalwart; interests incl affordable housing, environment, better deal for the young; first elected Cheltenham BC 2014; oversaw Cheltenham's first emergency action plan; cabinet member for economic development etc; was 989 votes short of victory 2019; elected 2024 by majority of 7,210; in Commons LD Spokesperson for Culture, Media & Sport 2024-25, Home Affairs 2025-, mbr Administration Cttee 2024-; **Stroud 2017, Cheltenham 2019, 2024; MP 2024-**

WILLIAMS, Steven R., b Mountain Ash, Wales 1966, ed Mountain Ash comp, Glamorgan, Bristol U; joined Party at college, Pres SDP/Liberal Soc; Ch Tax adviser; work as tax cons for major companies; cllr Avon CC 1996-96, Bristol City C1995-99, 2024- ldr grp, opposition; Party Public Health spokesman later for Innovation, Universities and Skills; almost certainly Party's first openly gay MP; campaigned against homophobic bullying; advocate of total ban on smoking in public; wide interests in health matters; supporter of votes at 16; joined government 2013 as Parliamentary Under Secretary, Dept of Communities and Local Government; cand for Mayor of West of England 2017, 2021; contributor to *Liberator*; **Bristol South 1997, Bristol West 2001, 2005, 2010, 2015, 2017; MP 2005-15**

WILLIES, Mark E., b 1928, ed Fairfield g s, Bristol, St Austell Co s, Cornwall; ins broker; associated with Liberal Insurance Bureau initiative in early 1960s; **North Somerset 1964, 1966**

WILLMORE, Christine, b 1956, ed Godolphin & Latymer s, London, Bristol U; lect in law, barrister at Bristol U; Northavon DC; **Northavon 1987**

WILSON, Anthony, b 1951, ed Shirley House, Watford, Bushey g s; **Kingswood 1979**

WINGFIELD, Margaret E., CBE, b 1912, ed Freiburg U, LSE; (niece of Liberal MP, Rt Hon Charles McCurdy 1870-41); former social worker; LPO Council from 1962; indisputably a doughty, persevering campaigner in the Party cause; prominent at many by-elections; her sensitive diplomacy as LPO Pres helped greatly in healing serious wounds in the Party after the Jeremy Thorpe affair 1976-79; qv (Devon & Cornwall); her grand-daughter Carita Ogden served on Lambeth LBC; d 2002; Wokingham 1964, 1966 (South Central Region), Walthamstow West by-e 1967 (Greater London), **Chippenham 1970**

WINSOR, Marguerite L. b 1909, ed City of London g s, and abroad; worked for Foreign Office serving overseas for twelve years; managing dir of travel companies and firm of exporters; deceased; **Yeovil 1951**

WOODCOCK, Isla Gwyn, b 1895, daughter of Hubert W. (1867-1957, several times unsuccessful Liberal cand 1910-18, High Court Judge); ed Frogna l s, Hampstead, Paris; officer Gloucestershire WI, associated with Cheltenham L A; lived Lypiatt Park, noted manor house, nr Stroud, Gloucestershire; d 1962; **Bristol North East 1950**

WRIGHT, Dr Mark, b Southmead 1974, ed Teyfanta p s, St Pius X j s, Bristol U, Phd in Astrophysics; comp prog and software eng; joined Party 2002; Bristol City C from 2005, cabinet mbr Housing Service Improvement; initiated first council house building prog for 30 years; later cabinet mbr for Efficiency and Value for Money; interests include civil liberties freedom of information/speech, economic reform; member of various learned societies; **Bristol South 2010, 2015**

WYATT, John, b 1950, ed Kingswood g s; sen comp prog; mbr NALGO; **Bridgwater 1974 Feb, Oct**

YATES, Paula G., b 1947, ed North London Collegiate s, Hull U, London U; local government cons; cllr Maidstone BC ldr; Maidstone 1992 (Southeast Region), **North Dorset 1997**

YOUNG, Claire Louise, b1974, ed comp s, Master of Maths, Cambridge U, later Master's degree, Oxford U in software design, Master of Research, Bristol U; has lived locally since 1999; joined IBM; worked in software ind; cllr South Gloucestershire DC 2007-24, resigned as leader of Council on election to Westminster; addressed Party Assembly on energy policy; interested in environmental issues, local services, transport; in Commons mbr Energy Security & Net Zero Select Cttee 2024-; **Thornbury & Yate 2017, 2019, 2024; MP 2024-**

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SDP CANDIDATES IN THE GENERAL ELECTIONS OF 1983 AND 1987

ALEXANDER, Stephen, b 1947, ed New Zealand U, U Coll, London; barrister; **Christchurch 1983**

CLARKE, Christopher, b 1941, ed Westcliff-on-Sea h s, City of London Coll; gen manager; Somerset CC dpty ldr, Richmondshire DC; **Bridgwater 1987**

COCKS, Michael A. K., b 1936, ed Eastwood and Beaufort Lodge prep s s, Westcliffe-on-Sea h s, Cambridge U; finance cons; former Conservative; Kensington & Chelsea LBC; **Taunton 1983, 1987**

CRAVEN, Peter G. M., b 1943, ed Bournemouth ss; solicitor; CCllr; **Bournemouth West 1987**

CROCKFORD-HAWLEY, John R., b 1946, ed Bishop Otter Coll, Chichester; teacher of geography, FRGS; former Conservative; Weston-super-Mare DC; former mayor; **Weston-super-Mare 1987**

DEAN, J. Malcolm, b 1939, ed Macclesfield g s, Ruskin Coll, Oxford, Chicago U; journalist with *The Guardian* for 37 years, writing on social care, poverty, NHS, criminal justice, established the paper's *Society* section; mbr Scott Trust; mbr SDP Policy Cttee; d 2025; **Bath 1983, 1987**

FARLEY, Rosemary, b 1933, ed Rosemead s, Littlehampton, Brighton Tech Coll; farmer; **Bridgwater 1983**

GILBERT, Martyn, b 1952, ed Lawrence Weston comp s, former bank employee later, public relations officer, Avon Ambulance Service; **Kingswood 1983**

GOLDER Michael, b 1945, ed Witney g s, LSE; chief exec travel/catering cos; formerly Labour; fought Windsor & Maidenhead 1974 Feb, Oct, Gloucester 1979 for that party; **Gloucester 1983**

HEAD, Simon, b 1944, ed U of California, Oxford U; journalist with academic appointments; SDP cons on Defence policy; **South Dorset 1983**

HINTON, Nicholas b 1942, ed Marlborough Coll, Cambridge U, Leeds U; formerly dir with NACRO, later dir of National Council for Voluntary Organisations, Dir Gen, Save the Children Fund; d 1997 while on a peace mission in Split, Croatia; he received an expansive obituary in *The Independent*; **Somerton & Frome 1983**

KIRKALDY, John M.G., b 1947, ed Jamaica, Australia; lect; Kennet DC; **Bristol North West 1987**

LONG, Hilary Smethurst, b 1936, ed Alice Ottley s, Worcester, Northampton h s, Wimbledon h s, Queen Mary Coll, London, Froebel Inst, London; former teacher; National Fed of Consumer Groups; BBC Advisory Comm; **Bristol North West 1983, Bristol South 1987**

MACKENZIE, Hilary J., b 1947, ed Notting Hill and Ealing h s; public relations cons; **Christchurch 1987**

MARKS, Jonathan C., KC, later Lord M. of Henley-on-Thames, b 1952 ed Harrow s, Oxford U, Inns of Court School of Law, Inner Temple, called to Bar 1975, QC 1995 Euro cand 1984; Life Peerage 2011; lect U of Malaya 1989-91, later Mauritius, Sri Lanka; originally SDP; active in Party merger discussions, serving on comm devising constitution of merged parties; joined Party on merger; mbr Federal Policy Comm 2004-10; mbr numerous policy working parties; father of seven children born over 20 year span; **Weston-super-Mare 1983**, Falmouth & Camborne 1987 (Devon & Cornwall Region)

MILLWARD, Dr John, b 1933, ed Dudley g s, Oxford U, St Bartholomew's Hospital; medical practitioner; Dorset CC grp ldr; **Bournemouth East & Christchurch 1983, 1987**

MITCHELL, Parry Andrew, later Lord M. of Hampstead, b 1943, ed Christ's Coll g s, Finchley, London U, Columbia U; founder United Leasing PLC; later joined Labour; Life Peer 2000; Shadow Business Min 2012-13; Ealing, Acton 1983 (Greater London), **Salisbury 1987**

PALMER, Elizabeth, b 1933, ed Bishop Fox's g s, Taunton, Exeter U; lect; **Devizes 1983**

SCOTT, Derek J., b 1947, ed Liverpool U, LSE, Birkbeck Coll, London; economist in oil ind; adviser to James Callaghan when Prime Minister, to Dennis Healey at The Treasury; SDP economic policy comm; a London borough cllr 1974-78; **Swindon 1983, 1987**

STANBURY, David, b 1941, ed g s, Oxford U; ind buyer; formerly Labour; Staffordshire CC; **Bristol South 1983**

WATKINSON, John Taylor, b Bristol 1941, ed Bristol g s, Oxford U; formerly teacher later barrister, TV reporter; formerly Labour; MP West Gloucestershire Oct 1974-79 defecting to join SDP; d 2004; **West Gloucestershire 1983, 1987**

WHITLEY, Dr Robert J., b 1951, ed Isleworth g s, Exeter U; pollution scientist with water authority; mbr government working groups; **Poole 1987**

WHITTLE, Pamela, ed Monks Park comp s, Bristol, Coll of Sarum St Michael, Salisbury; Open U;
education research asst; **Kingswood 1987**