

Baroness Cathy Bakewell

For South Central English Council

Dear Friend,

Our party has achieved so much. Now is the time to build on this achievement and help our party to grow and flourish.

I am standing to be one of our regional representatives on English Council to help do just that.

I first joined the Party back in 1974. For many years **I worked for Paddy Ashdown**, including spending time running the Leader's Office after the 1997 elections.

For much of the late 90s and early 2000s **I was a County Councillor and then Council Leader** before joining the **House of Lords** in 2013. As such, I am a strong advocate for the importance of building and supporting our local government base.

I have worked tirelessly for the party at constituency and national level, and now in the House of Lords, and have **a strong record of commitment to Liberal values**. I would welcome the opportunity to continue this on English Council.

In the past I was the **Housing Spokesperson** and for seven years the **Environment, Farming and Rural Affairs Spokesperson**. During this time I raised, at every available opportunity, the state of our rivers and lakes due to raw sewage discharges.

I have a **very deep commitment to our environment**. Living on the edge of the South Downs National Park I know that ensuring public open access is important, while also ensuring the safety of livestock and indigenous bird species. I am passionate about dealing with waste, especially plastic waste - ensuring a clean environment for all is essential to stopping the depletion of our natural species.

I believe I have the skills, experience and strong Liberal values to help ensure a powerful voice for our region is heard on English Council.

I hope you will give me your support.

Yours, Cathy



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