

West Lancashire Conservative Association

Members Newsletter

Spring 2018



Message from the WLCA Chairman, Cllr David Westley

Dear Member

At this time of year the Association is primarily focussed on two main tasks. The first is the preparation for the Annual General Meeting being held on Monday 26th March 2018 at The Grove, Station Approach, Burscough L40 0RZ. A free Hotpot and refreshments will be served at 7.00pm and the formal meeting will start at 8.00pm. **Please book your Hotpot by telephoning or e-mailing the Association by Monday 19th March.**



The second task is the Election Campaign for West Lancashire Borough Council on the 3rd May 2018. The planning and organisation required to run an effective campaign for the local elections is considerable but I am pleased to say everything is well in hand including the approval and selection of our candidates:

Conservative held wards

Aughton Park
Aughton & Downholland
Burscough East
Newburgh
Parbold
Scarisbrick

Seeking re-election

Cllr Doreen Stephenson
Cllr David O'Toole
Cllr Ruth Melling
Cllr Eddie Pope
Cllr David Whittington
Cllr Jane Marshall

Opposition held wards

Burscough West
Ormskirk Derby
Ormskirk Knowsley
Ormskirk Scott
Upholland

Conservative Candidates

Gill Taylor
Lynne Gray
Jeff Vernon
George Pratt
Dave Marsh



Conservative candidates will also be standing in the Labour held wards in Skelmersdale — Ashurst, Moorside, Skelmersdale South and Tanhouse.

Can you help with the Election Campaign?

Our Candidates need help delivering leaflets so if you can spare a couple of hours in a Ward near you then contact the Association by telephone 01695 572306 or e-mail: office@westlancsconservatives.com

Membership & Fundraising

So far this year there have been two very successful social/fundraising events. Lathom & Burscough Branch held a well attended Coffee Morning at The Kicking Donkey in January and West Lancs South Branch held another of their Cheese and Wine Evenings at the Aughton Institute on Friday 2nd March. A big thank you for all those who attended and particularly the branch committees for undertaking the hard work needed to organise such events.



Dave Marsh, Deputy Chairman
Membership & Fundraising

Scarisbrick Branch Coffee Morning

Wednesday 21st March 10.30 at the home of Cllr Jane Marshall
455 Southport Road, Scarisbrick L40 9RF
Cost £5.00 Ring Jane Marshall on 07732 474099 or e-mail:
office@westlancsconservatives.com



West Lancashire South Branch Coffee Morning

Friday 18th May 2018 at the Kicking Donkey, Narrow Moss Lane, Ormskirk L40 8HY. The cost is £5 Contact Marilyn Westley e-mail Marilyn.westley@btinternet.com or phone 07738680752

South Conservative Ribble Association Chairman's Dinner

Friday 23rd March 2018 at Mere Brow Village Hall
7pm for 7.30pm. Tickets £35.00
3 course dinner - menu choices
Dancing to The Latin Affair
Speaker – Seema Kennedy MP for South Ribble
Dress code Black Tie
Contact Jayne Rear by email:
Jayne>rear@btinternet.com

Ascot Ladies Day at Briars Hall

The Association will be holding a Ladies Day at Briars Hall on Thursday 21st June 2018.

Full details have yet to be confirmed but there will be a Buffet Lunch and hats will be optional.



200 Club

An essential part of our fundraising activities is the 200 Club that is open to all Members. For £13 a year you get allocated a number that goes into a monthly Draw for cash prizes.

The surplus the 200 Club generates goes to the Association to help fund our political activities. There is a monthly prize of £30, a quarterly prize of £100 and a half yearly prize of £200

The January, February and March draws will take place at the AGM on Monday 26th March 2018

3 x £30, £1 x £100 and 1 x £200 prizes to be won

If you would like to take part contact Dave Marsh on davemarsh013@gmail.com or ring the Office on 01695 572306

Conservative Policy Forums @ Briars Hall

Each month we hold a Forum at Briars Hall to discuss and give feedback to the Party on topical policy issues. Starting at 7.00pm for 7.30pm, the cost is £12 a head for a set main meal and a glass of wine.

Future meetings are as follows:

Wednesday	28th March
Thursday	26th April
Wednesday	23 May
Thursday	28 June

Why not join us for what is always a relaxed and friendly evening . To book contact Ruth Melling by e-mail: ruth.m65@hotmail.co.uk or ring her on 01704 896373

Membership The Members are the lifeblood of our Association. If you are not paying by standing order or direct debit watch out for your renewal letter and please renew. New members are always welcome. For an application form contact Dave Marsh on 07525 135143 or davemarsh013@gmail.com