

The Sheffield Green

Working For The Local Community

Sheffield Council and European Parliament Elections May 22nd

The newsletter of Sheffield Green Party

Highfield Edition

Elect Sarah Jane Smalley

SARAH JANE lives in Sharrow and knows our area well. She's been working with local GREEN COUNCILLORS JILLIAN CREASY and ROB MURPHY for the last few years to support your community. We knock on doors all year round and help people with problems. We deliver a quarterly newsletter, so people know what we're doing.

Sarah Jane is standing for election to Sheffield Council on May 22nd. With your help, she can win. Labour has a big majority on the Council, but every Green voice makes a difference. Electing a third Green councillor here would mean we could do more for you.

Sarah Jane Smalley (left) with Green Cllrs Rob Murphy & Jillian Creasy



Improving the neighbourhood



Private company Amey recently resurfaced roads and pavements and replaced street lights in Highfield. Many residents complained about the lack of consultation and poor quality work. **Green councillors** called a public meeting so that people could question Amey. We made sure the **U-mix centre** kept green space at **Lowfield Park** and supported improving Queenies Park on **Randall Place**.

Sarah Jane near Shoreham St

Tackling anti-social behaviour

Your Green councillors work with police, council officers and residents to tackle drug use, crime and antisocial behaviour in various areas, including around the city end of Charlotte Rd. We successfully called for more help to tackle crime in our area - the police have changed their teams to better reflect needs. We act on fly-tipping, for instance on Holland Road.

Sarah Jane in the Charlotte Rd area



Fairness on parking



Cllr Rob Murphy at the Bramall Lane roundabout

Sarah Jane and your Green councillors

are pushing the council to cut the cost of parking and visitor permits and make applying for them easier. Labour put up prices by 80%, despite making over £500,000 profit from parking schemes across central Sheffield in 2012. This area should not have to subsidise the rest of the city.

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WHAT THE GREENS STAND FOR

Local residents say they've seen improvements in the area since ROB MURPHY and JILLIAN CREASY were elected, with streets generally cleaner and less crime. There is plenty more to do - electing SARAH JANE as a third Green councillor would really help.



BETTER HOUSING

Not enough homes have been built recently. We want far more houses built in future, especially affordable housing. Private rented housing is often poor quality – we want better regulation of private landlords. We continue to campaign against the bedroom tax and other welfare changes.



BETTER VALUE SERVICES

Sheffield Council has spent £1 billion on the Highways PFI contract with private company Amey. We want residents to be properly informed and consulted about changes to our streets and get good value for money. We want railways to be returned to public ownership, and more public control of bus services.



STRONG COMMUNITIES

We listen to local people and help them get their voice heard. We oppose the cuts and called for a referendum to let Sheffield people decide if they want to pay a bit more Council Tax to save libraries and protect services for older, disabled and vulnerable adults.



JOBS AND INCOMES

Unlike Labour and the Lib Dems, we'd improve public finances by closing tax loopholes and taxing wealthy people more. We'd invest in good-quality jobs and services, including opportunities for young people. We took the lead on promoting the Living Wage in Sheffield.



FUEL AND ENERGY

We'd invest in green energy and better insulation to help keep down fuel bills. We want more public control of energy companies. We're against shale gas fracking, which damages the environment and isn't cheap.



Sarah Jane at the Hanover estate in Broomhall



Sarah Jane with Green Party national leader Natalie Bennett at Sharrow SureStart



Sarah Jane and Cllr Rob Murphy at Highfield Adventure Playground

GREENS ARE THE WINNING TEAM

People in this ward know how much work Green councillors do. The Green Party has won 5 out of the past 6 Council elections here, including in 2012. (There were no elections in 2013.)

Central ward election May 2012

Green 2165

Labour 1736

Lib Dem 244

Con 161

UKIP 137

Council elections in this ward are a close battle between Greens and Labour.

Every vote counts!

Source : Council election results

Register to vote and/or request a postal vote by the 7th May deadline. Ring 0114 273 4567 or go to www.sheffield.gov.uk/your-city-council/elections/register

On May 22nd Vote



Sarah Jane Smalley Green Party



