

Cardiff & the Vale Lib Dem News



Great Dinner with Vince Cable



Liberal Democrat leader Sir Vince Cable attended a dinner hosted by Cardiff and the Vale of Glamorgan Lib Dems at The Classroom at Cardiff and Vale College.

Attendees heard from former UK Business Secretary Sir Vince, as well as Welsh Liberal Democrat leader Jane Dodds and Cardiff Council Lib Dem group leader Councillor Joe Boyle.

What's occurring?

MARCH

**Saturday 3rd, 11AM-2PM - Lib Dem Day
Canton Liberal Club, 301 Cowbridge Rd East**
Learn about our Brexit message, get campaign training and meet fellow Lib Dems.

**9th-11th - Federal Spring Conference
Southport - libdems.org.uk/conference**
Participate in debates, meet like-minded people, hear from experts at fringe events and learn new skills at training sessions.

APRIL

**Saturday 1st, 12-3PM - Lib Dem Day,
Cathays Community Centre**
A discussion on women in politics, 100 years after some women gained suffrage. With a guest speaker.

**13th-15th - Welsh Spring Conference
Coryton - welshlibdems.wales/conference**
Participate in debates, meet like-minded people and hear from Jane Dodds.



Do you want to be an AM or MP?

This Autumn we will be selecting our **Assembly** Candidates in South Wales Central and Cardiff Central, and our **Westminster** candidate in Cardiff Central. If you're interested in standing as a candidate, find out how and what support you can receive here: www.libdems.org.uk/become-a-candidate

Lib Dem Days

First Saturday of every month

Lib Dem Days are a new initiative to give you the chance to get involved with the Lib Dems on a regular basis. On the first Saturday of every month we'll be running an event with policy, campaigning and socialising.

SATURDAY 3RD MARCH

When: 11am - 2pm, Saturday 3rd March

Where: Canton Liberal Club, 301 Cowbridge Rd E

Our first Lib Dem Day will be in Canton, one of the most **pro-European** areas of Cardiff.

We'll start with a briefing on our **Exit Brexit campaign**, and give you **training** on talking to voters about Brexit.

Then we'll get out and go and ask people to sign our petition for an **Exit from Brexit**.

After that hard work, we'll head to Chapter so you have a **chance to chat** with your fellow Lib Dems in a more relaxed atmosphere.

Tackling Loneliness

Cardiff Lib Dems pass council policy



Loneliness can be linked to health risks, premature ageing, depression and the risk of dementia.

Cardiff Council will now work with community groups and organisations to tackle loneliness.

"Investing in services to prevent loneliness will, in the long term, save money and more importantly improve the health and well-being of individuals," said Welsh Lib Dem Health Spokesperson Bablin Molik.

Student Finance Reform

Kirsty Williams delivers Welsh Lib Dem policy



From this Autumn full-time and part-time undergraduates will receive grant and loan support to cover their up-front living costs. The average student from Wales is likely receive £7,000 per year as a non-repayable grant.

It will be available to student from Wales wherever in the UK they choose to study. The changes are supported by the National Union of Students. They are being delivered by Kirsty Williams who is the Liberal Democrat Education Secretary in the Welsh Government.



Shape our future campaigns

Do you have an idea for our next big campaign?

Do you have skills that could help us win?

Do you want to fight local elections or battle Brexit?

If so, we need you to join our new-look campaign team.

We're in an odd situation of having no scheduled elections in Wales until 2020. That gives us an exciting opportunity to try out new things, reach people in different places, and motivate and train more members and supporters.

The campaign team will be a team of doers, people who will support each other and our councillors and campaigners to improve their communities and engage people in campaigns.

On the back of this page I've set out the roles I'm looking to recruit for our team. It doesn't matter if you're an old hand or a brand new member, if you think you have something to offer in a role, get in touch and tell me how.

I look forward to working with you on this exciting project.

Best wishes,

Robin Rea

Chair, Cardiff Lib Dem Campaign Team

P.S. If you'd like an informal chat about the campaign team, please email me at robintrea@gmail.com and we can arrange to talk.

WHAT'S YOUR ROLE IN OUR FUTURE?

Campaign Events

You will lead on organisation and promotion of campaign events.



Development Wards

You will help teams in wards where we do not currently hold council seats.



Digital

Communicate our message and reach people using a range of digital tools.



Diverse Communities

Help us engage under-represented groups in Cardiff through our campaigning.



Held Wards

You will help teams in wards where we currently hold council seats.



Literature

You will ensure our paper communications are high quality and effectively deliver our message.



Media

You will work to increase the media presence of our campaigners and campaigns.



Voter Contact

You will make sure that ward teams have the resources they need to talk to voters.



Volunteer Development

Help sure we harness and enhance the skills of our members and volunteers.



Volunteer Recruitment

Lead our efforts to increase the size of our teams of members and volunteers.



Found your role? Go to →
cardiffld.org.uk/campaign-team