

Vote David YOUNG on May 6th

Working for all residents in Esher, Hersham Riverside and Lower Green

Esher
Residents

A Clean, Green and Vibrant Esher

Local elections are about **local issues** - not about the national government. The Esher Residents' Association already has one of the three Esher Ward Councillors, Richard Williams, and is part of the coalition that controls Elmbridge Council. We need your support to add another **strong, independent** voice speaking up for Esher, Lower Green and Hersham Riverside.

As we only stand at the local level, it is ok to vote for the ERA no matter how you vote nationally. David lives in the Esher Ward – unlike some of the other candidates – so he will stand up for you and your local area. **Every vote matters! Don't waste your vote!**

Protect the Green Belt

Issue: The Conservative government is trying to force Elmbridge to build 633 new dwellings a year – that's twice the maximum built in any recent year.

Pledge: *The Council planning team has to evaluate all options, but the Councillors can reject this central government algorithm. The ERA has pledged to protect all our Green Belt. We will continue our opposition to plans such as those to build on Sandown Park Race Course and Hersham and Moore Place golf courses.*

Stop over-development

Issue: A constant stream of poorly conceived planning applications, for example to build 30+ flats in place of a single house or proposing inappropriate developments in Conservation Areas.

Pledge: *The ERA will continue to fight to ensure that well designed, **affordable** homes are built in the right places thus preventing over-development in low density areas. New homes are needed but they need to blend in with the existing housing and infrastructure and services must be enhanced to match.*

Revitalise Esher High Street

Issue: Esher High Street is in decline with shops closing and being left vacant for years.

Pledge: *Bold plans are needed to encourage new independent retailers to the town and make it into an attractive place for people to visit. The ERA will continue to work with businesses to stand up for Esher and get the support it deserves so it doesn't fall further behind other local centres e.g. Cobham and Weybridge.*

Push Action to Meet Carbon Reduction

Issue: The Council has declared a Climate Emergency and is putting in place **carbon reduction** targets.

Pledge: *Words need to be converted into actions. The Council should support local businesses and residents to reduce their carbon emissions. This needs to happen as one integrated initiative.*

Reduce the Impact of Traffic

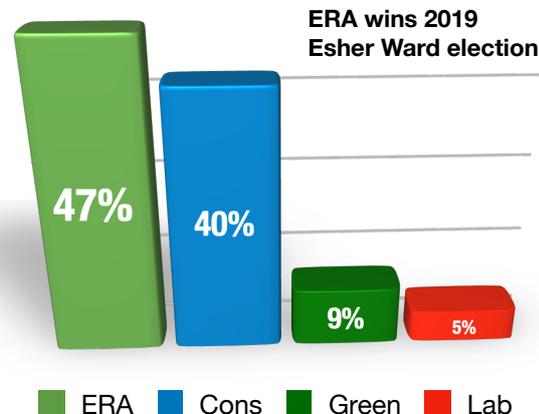
Issue: Over 80% of traffic in Esher is 'through traffic' and it is killing the town centre. Pedestrians need proper crossings especially at busy junctions, near to our schools and on fast roads such as the Esher Common (A244) crossing.

Pledge: *We will continue to work with Surrey Highways to reduce traffic, keep speeds under control and make roads safer for school children, other pedestrians and cyclists. Such plans will need proper consultation with residents.*

Support our Senior Citizens, Families & Young People

Issue: Threats to our Library. Lack of playgrounds and other important facilities for children. Lack of community centres.

Pledge: *We will defend the Library, push for better facilities for families and the opening of community centres, for example in Lower Green, where people can meet.*



With your support we can make a difference and build a
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