

### WHAT WE STAND FOR:

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- Safer streets
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- Reducing traffic
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- Decent housing for all
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- Properly funded schools and hospitals
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- Safe, healthy food
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- Supporting local shops and services
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- Closing the gap between rich and poor
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- Peace and human rights
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- Reliable and cheap public transport
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- Sustainable development



Peninsula's Green team: Dave Sharman, Marek Powley, Darryl Chamberlain

## Council Elections 2010 - Peninsula Ward

- ☒ Darryl Chamberlain
- ☒ Marek Powley
- ☒ Dave Sharman

**VOTE GREEN - MAY 6**

## We'll defend local services, say Greens

Greenwich and Charlton deserve councillors who will push for improvements to local services such as libraries, leisure centres and law centres, instead of threatening to cut them back, Peninsula ward's Green candidates have said.

Green councillors would demand a secure future for East Greenwich Library, which has been neglected for years. And they would fight to protect the law centre on Trafalgar Road, while Labour wants it moved to Woolwich.

Meanwhile, the old Greenwich District Hospital site remains empty and overgrown, years after the council promised a new 'service centre' for the area.

"We'd press the council to use the land as an allotment or as an open space for the community, if it's not being built on," said Green candidate Dave Sharman. "Keeping it derelict makes the area look ugly, and the land should be put to good use instead."

The Labour government backed the closure of Woolwich Road and Westcombe Park Station post offices - while Charlton residents now have only one post office, which even then faces temporary closure thanks to a housing development.

And when the gym at The Valley closed, its users were told to travel four miles to a facility in Eltham instead.

"People deserve local services within walking distance from their homes. You shouldn't have to go to Woolwich to speak to somebody about your council tax," said fellow Green candidate Darryl Chamberlain.

"Centralising services costs more for everyone in the long run, as we've seen with the move of our local health services to Queen Elizabeth Hospital in Woolwich."

While attention elsewhere is focused on the general election, the Greens stand on the brink of electing their first ever Greenwich councillors on May 6th.

"We'll be an independent voice if elected - but we need just a few more votes to do it," said Marek Powley.

"Another Labour councillor won't change a thing. But the Greens will bring fresh thinking to a jaded council."



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# Greenwich congestion: New ideas needed

New ideas should be considered to cut traffic congestion through Greenwich and Charlton, Green candidates in Peninsula ward have said.

Congestion and pollution from the A102 and A206 have blighted communities for many years, but simple measures could cut back on traffic jams through the area.

Electronic boards on the Woolwich and Trafalgar Roads could warn drivers of congestion or closures at the Blackwall Tunnel, giving them the choice of switching to other routes, Darryl Chamberlain said.

They could also warn when there is little car parking available in Greenwich town centre, while free cycle hire could also be offered. Greenwich Council should also be putting pressure on Transport for London to install more Countdown screens at bus stops, he added.

"This area is under increasing pressure from traffic, and new developments such as Lovell's Wharf and the Heart of East Greenwich scheme will only add to congestion and pollution," he explained.

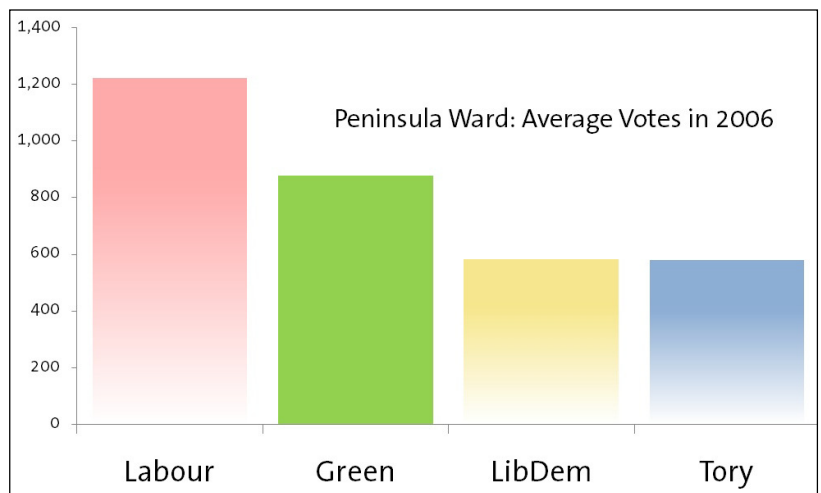
"Other parties think building more roads is the answer, but that will only encourage more traffic onto our streets in the long term. We need to make it easier and more pleasant for people to use buses and trains, and it should be safer to walk and cycle. New developments should be as car-free as possible.

"We should be able to enjoy living in this wonderful, historic part of London without our lives being affected by fumes and traffic jams."



## Only the Greens can beat Labour in Peninsula Ward

- If we've delivered this newsletter to you, you live in Peninsula ward.
- In the last council election, we were just 248 votes behind the Labour leader Chris Roberts, who has now switched to a safer seat
- You can make history by electing Greenwich's first Green councillors.
- We promise to stand up for Greenwich and be an independent voice on the council.
- Your Peninsula Green team: **Marek Powley, Dave Sharman and Darryl Chamberlain.**
- We're also standing in the general election - vote **Andy Hewett** for Greenwich & Woolwich.



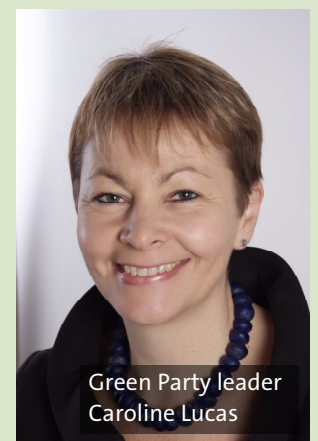
## Greens are on the up!

The Green Party is on the up, with councillors across London and the rest of England making a real difference to their communities.

Lewisham has six Greens on its council, who have developed measures to support local shops, make streets safer and defend social care services. The Greens are also represented in Southwark, Lambeth, Camden, Islington and Hackney, while Darren Johnson and Jenny Jones sit on the London Assembly. Across London, we're standing in every constituency and fielding 844 candidates in May 6's council elections - with every voter in Greenwich borough able to back the Greens for the first time.

In the general election, party leader Caroline Lucas is on the verge of becoming the first Green MP in Brighton Pavilion. For more on the Greens in the general election, visit <http://www.onlygreen.org.uk>

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Green Party leader  
Caroline Lucas



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