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Why me

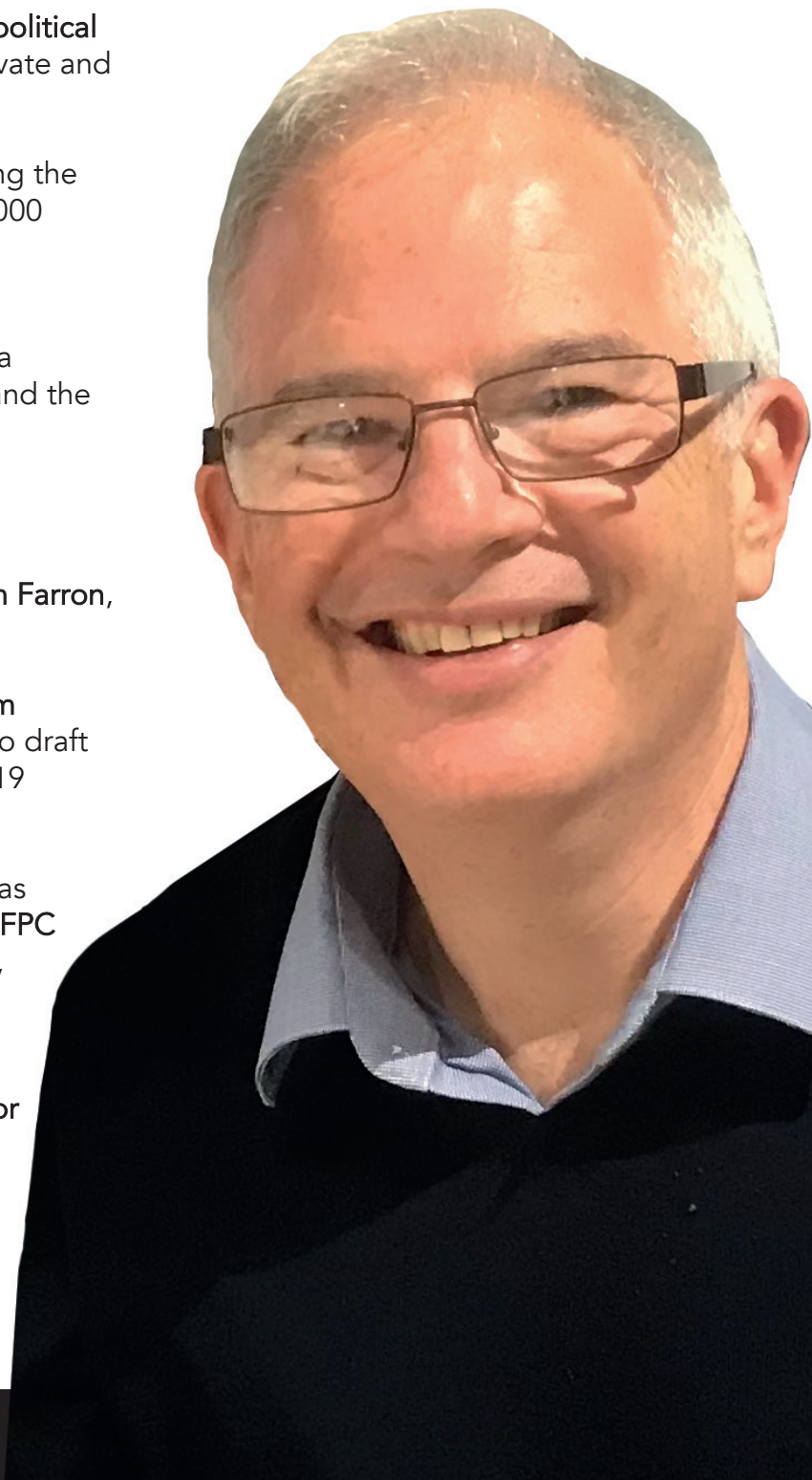
"Not for decades has our country so needed the Lib Dems at our best. Our Autumn Conference is our opportunity to offer a patriotic vision for the UK which is liberal, honest and kind."

What I bring

- A proven track record in **public policy** and **political communications**, working both within the private and charitable sectors
- **Chief Executive of Radix Big Tent**, organising the cross-party Big Tent Ideas Festival for over 2000 attendees and with 200+ speakers.
www.radixbigtent.org.uk/about/our-big-tent
- A record of winning political campaigns as a **strategist** and **communicator** for Tim Farron and the Campaign for Equal Civil Partnerships.

The experience I offer

- **Campaign director and Chief of Staff** to Tim Farron, during his leadership
- Three years as senior adviser to the **Lib Dem Business & Entrepreneurs Network**, helping to draft our Business Manifestos for the 2017 and 2019 elections
- Eighteen years developing Lib Dem policy as Deputy Policy Director and **Vice-Chair of the FPC** under Paddy Ashdown and Charles Kennedy, and most recently as an FPC member under Ed Davey
- Former **Chief Executive of the Movement for Reform Judaism**, Director of Reprieve, and Trustee of the Religion Media Centre
- Candidates' Aide on the **record-breaking Newbury and Christchurch by-elections**



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Why I am standing

- Our conference is unique in British politics, providing a genuinely democratic basis for policy making.
- It is a strength of our party that we can publicly disagree, but when disagreeing, we must do so in ways which help the public understand who we are and the beliefs we share with them.
- I want our conference to be a showcase for liberal values in contrast to the authoritarianism of our opponents.

Who is backing me

- Tim Farron MP (Former Party Leader)
- Duncan Brack (Author of numerous manifestos and policy documents)
- Tilly McAuliffe (Party Treasurer)
- Vicky Pryce (Senior economist and Lib Dem supporter)

"Ben understands conference better than almost anyone, more than that he believes passionately that conference is rightly the sovereign body that holds leaders, MPs and officials to account. He will be a powerful voice for members and a competent force ensuring that conference works for everyone from every background"

Tim Farron, MP for Westmorland and Lonsdale