

Liberal Democrats Internal Federal Elections 2025

GLD, as one of the largest of the Lib Dem Affiliated Organisations, has nominated candidates for several of the LD Party Committees.

We all subscribe to the shared values of the Preamble to the Party Constitution, but, in particular, we recognise the following sentence as the key guiding principle in helping to decide Party Policy now and for the foreseeable future.

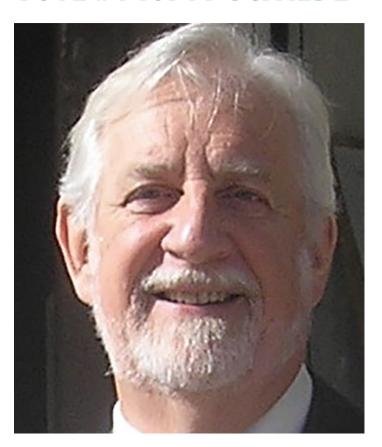
"We believe that each generation is responsible for the fate of our planet and, by safeguarding the balance of nature and the environment, for the long-term continuity of life in all its forms."

Keith is standing for the **Federal Policy Committee, FPC**

Keith is also standing for a position on the **ALDE Delegation**

Please vote for all GLDnominated candidates as high as you possibly can!

VOTE #1 for FPC & ALDE



Cllr. Keith Melton

Keith Melton is currently Vice Chair (Organisation) of GLD, having stepped down from five years as Chair from early 2020 to Dec 2025

At the time of the creation of the Liberal Democrats in 1988 Keith was the Vice Chair of the Liberal Ecology Group and became the **Founding** chair of the Green Liberal Democrats.

He was responsible for writing the sentence on the left, and has been influential in helping to develop the Party's approach to many of the environmental challenges over a number of years.

For example, Keith was a member of the working group on the Climate Change policy paper which was debated successfully at the 2025 conference in Bournemouth very recently.

He concentrated on the issue of **Adaptation**, this time around, and sought to strengthen the motion with an amendment calling for the concentration of adaptation processes, in the public domain, for the most vulnerable in society. **Amendment passed unanimously!**

Experience

Keith has been on the Federal Policy Committee (FPC) for four years and is the FPC representative on the Federal International Relations Committee FIRC

Keith has also spent time on the Federal Conference Committee, pressing for better environmental and recycling practices at Lib Dem conferences.

He has been responsible for a number of separate Green Liberal Democrat conferences, notably at Nottingham University. When Covid struck in 2020 and the GLD conference had to be cancelled, he coordinated what turned out to be a sixteen day, 42 event Zoom replacement.

Keith is a District Councillor on Newark and Sherwood DC, having won his seat in 2023 and spent about six years as a Parish Councillor in the 1980s.

General & European Elections

He has fought five General Elections, with his best result in 1983 achieving second place in Broxtowe to Tory Minister, Jim Lester, with 25% of the vote.

Keith has also fought two European Elections before they were set up as Proportion Representation elections.

Before fighting any of these elections, Keith was a Speaker for the European Movement in the first referendum on accession to Europe in 1975.

Working Life

With a combined honours degree in Maths and Business Studies Keith's first employment was with major International Advertising Agency, Lintas (Unilever)

Returning to Manchester to do a Masters by research, and following a brief spell in his family's retail business, Keith worked at Nottingham Trent University (NTU) as a Senior Lecturer in International Marketing.

He spent a few years in charge of Placements in the Business School and then became founding Director of the Institute for Sustainable Development in Business at NTU.

In his retirement from paid employment, Keith has been converting two fields of former sheep pasture into a small woodland area for wildlife.



Personal Statement

Keith says... "

Over the years, we have developed a really sound raft of environmental policies with and for the main party and the General election manifesto for 2024 was the best we have ever had.

From the Green Lib Dem viewpoint, we still have some work to do to ensure our Economic Policies will work in harmony with our environmental approach to Climate Change.

We have to create an approach that will bring about a more Circular Economy where economic success is not measured in terms of GDP growth, but in terms of Wellbeing (as we state in the preamble to the constitution) – so that we can continue to lessen the impact of human activity on the planet.

We must keep pressing hard for closer ties to Europe and I would love to see us back in the European Union again in my lifetime!

That is why I am standing for both FPC and the ALDE delegation.

I hope I can count on your support. THANK YOU!

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