

# 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."

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

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

#### **VOTE #1 for FPC**



### **Cllr. Steve Mason**

#### **Personal Statement**

I am standing for the Federal Policy Committee to drive real sustainability into the heart of Liberal Democrat policymaking. My experience as a rural district and unitary councillor, a PPC, campaign director, entrepreneur, and Vice Chair Policy in the Green Lib Dems has given me the insight in how to turn policy into practice. My current studies MSc in Sustainability Science provides me with the further grounding to design evidencebased policy with political vote winning strategy. I will argue that the policy we produce is ambitious, deliverable, judged and evidenced against the three pillars of sustainability: environmental integrity, social equity, and economic resilience. More importantly, I will ensure our policy inspires our campaigners, candidates, and communities.

#### What I offer

Systems thinking and delivery experience across public and private sectors, with a focus on building collaborative ambitions. A proven history of changemaking in policy development and in practice e.g. converting stranded fossil assets into clean energy projects and embedding UN Sustainable Development Goals into local council plans. I would add a rural perspective to the debate and a relentless focus on the desired outcomes to provide policy to win elections.

#### What I will fight for

I am committed to embedding sustainability at the core of every decision, ensuring that environmental, social, and economic impacts and trade-offs are always considered. My top priorities are enabling policy for Climate, Nature and Social benefit, to protect freedoms and empower people to thrive.

#### My promise

I will bring evidence, scrutiny, and practical delivery into the party's policy process. I will ensure the manifesto is not simply a list of good intentions but is a blueprint for politically deliverable action for the benefit of the country.

## **Vote Steve Mason for Federal Policy Committee.**

Let us turn sustainability from a slogan into policy for People, Place, Prosperity, and the Planet.

My campaign is rooted in a commitment to embed sustainability into all aspects of Lib Dem policy.

#### **Why This Matters**

I believe that the Liberal Democrats should challenge the status quo, offering innovative, people-focused policies rather than the same tired, old ways. My mission is to drive transformative change that meets urgent societal and environmental challenges. With a record of grassroots success against Tory opposition, I find ways to achieve actual results. Tackling issues like climate change and inequality demands joined-up policies for a stronger society for both people and planet:- Progress for the 21st century depends on it.



#### **Key experience**

North Yorkshire Unitary councillor in a rural ward, opposition spokesperson for environment on North Yorkshire Council

10 Years as VC Green Lib Dems, contributing to the transformation of the organisation to what it represents today.

Experience leading national campaigns and policy work with parliamentarians.

A record of delivering community and energy projects.

Currently deepening my expertise through postgraduate study in Sustainability Science.

Elect me to the Federal Policy Committee if you want policy that is practical, evidence-based, and accountable with sustainability at its centre. I will champion a manifesto that sets out these clear, achievable goals into policies shaped by evidence, and most importantly, provide candidates with the ability to win votes.

## **VOTE #1 for FPC**