Matt Kent and David Evans stand as your Independent Councillors on May 7th

On May 7th MATT KENT and DAVID EVANS will be standing as Independent Candidates for your community in the local Town and District Council Elections.

Matt Kent will be standing as an Independent for Lewes District Council and David Evans will be standing as an Independent for Lewes Town Council. This is also the same day as the General Election.

On May 7th your community will have the chance to vote for two Independent candidates who want to work hard for you and NOT a political party. Their sole motivation is to serve your community and to help protect your local services over the next 4 years. They also want to see better use of land for more truly affordable homes and the protection and promotion of local businesses in Lewes.

On May 7th you will have TWO votes for Lewes District Council and SIX votes for Lewes Town Council.

Unless you vote by post, you will be casting your votes at:
- Malling Community Centre
- Cliffe Church Hall
- Lewes Town Hall

The location of your polling centre is stated on your polling card. **Voting will start at 7am and end at 10pm.**

Matt and David are two of many Independent candidates across Lewes and they look forward to you supporting them on May 7th. Please also show your support by placing the VOTE MATT KENT & DAVID EVANS poster in your window.

**Many thanks.**

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**“What Lewes needs are hardworking Independent Councillors with a social conscience who put the residents of Lewes first. I believe Matt Kent and David Evans are two such people and I encourage residents to vote for them in the local Town and District elections”** - Cllr Catlin

Independent Lewes Town Councillor

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**“Matt continues to work very hard for local residents that are against inappropriate developments in Lewes. I will certainly be voting for him and I sincerely hope others do too.”**

- Cranmer Close Resident, Malling

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**More about your Independent candidates:**

**Matt Kent** (former Lewes Town Councillor) has been campaigning on local issues in and around Lewes for over a decade, including:

- Leading a residents group against the overdevelopment of the South Downs Way / Mayhew Way site, through a successful Public Enquiry.
- Supporting the needs for truly affordable homes and an alternative development plan for North Street. He strongly supports the aims of the Lewes Phoenix Rising Group.
- Campaigning and marching to East Sussex County Council against local bus cuts to Lewes and Sussex.
- Organising and submitting a petition to East Sussex County Council for safer roads, better road crossing points and a 20mph zone in Malling.
- Lobbying ESCC to complete an accessible cycle route through Malling, between Lewes & Ringmer.
- Encouraging East Sussex Police to find alternative parking arrangements around Malling so that parking can improve and traffic can be reduced around South Malling School.
- Lobbying Lewes Town Council to give Malling Community Centre the refurbished facilities it deserves.

**Matt Kent** has lived in South Street and now lives on Spences Lane, Malling. He is a qualified Architect, a Parent Governor at South Malling School and a member of Cliffe Bonfire Society.

In his spare time Matt likes to swim at Lewes Leisure Centre, walk across the South Downs and cycle. He enjoys watching local live music and singing with Lewes Operatic Society.

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**David Evans** has a real commitment to Lewes and Lewesians. I met David last year when Lewes Rep Theatre tried to save and re-use the Magistrates Court. This involved a lot of work and many meetings, but David was there, trying to prevent the demolition of a building and promoting the quality of life in our town”  
- Sean O’Kane, Director, Lewes Rep Theatre

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More about your Independent candidates:

David Evans has been involved in the voluntary sector for over forty years. His campaigning includes:

- Being a proactive member of the campaign to make the best possible use of the empty Lewes Magistrates Court as an alternative to demolition, and in particular to secure its use as a local Theatre.
- Lobbying politicians, public figures and the media about the criminal waste of empty buildings given the region's pressure on finding accommodation for truly affordable housing.
- Working with a dedicated team of local residents to replace a worn-out children’s playground.
- Being a Chair of a local Neighbourhood Watch group, and saving it from near closure.
- Being a member of a local Heritage Trust to help secure and unveil a Home Guard Memorial.

David lives in Court Road, Lewes for the last few years, since moving up to Lewes from Torbay. In his spare time he enjoys keep fit, rediscovering his native South-East by touring and visiting local towns in the region. He also enjoys quizzes and walking Pele, his Jack Russell, on the Railway Lands.