

# East Devon Conservative Association

*Link*

## February 2014

9c Mill Park Industrial Estate  
White Cross Road  
Woodbury Salterton EX5 1EL  
Tel: 01395 233503  
Email: [office@eastdevonconservatives.org.uk](mailto:office@eastdevonconservatives.org.uk)

Printed & promoted by Lucille Baker on behalf of EDCA both of  
9c Mill Park, EX5 1EL

### TEAM SOUTH WEST

### European Elections Thursday 22nd May 2014



The South West is made up of over five million people and includes: Bristol, Cornwall, Devon, Dorset, Gloucestershire, Somerset, Swindon, Wiltshire and Gibraltar. The last election saw a photo finish with the Conservatives gaining an MEP from Labour. In the European elections, the South West is a single constituency and you vote for the Party. The candidate defending the marginal seat the Conservatives won last time is James Cracknell. For James to win this marginal seat against Labour requires the Conservatives to win strong support from every part of the South West.

There are 6 candidates in the Conservative South West Team; **Ashley Fox MEP, Julie Girling MEP, James Cracknell, Georgina Butler, Sophie Swire and Melissa Maynard**. They combine a range of skills and expertise that they aim to dedicate to the service of the people living here.

James Cracknell says, "I am fortunate in my team mates for this race. Two experienced and conscientious MEP's, a topflight diplomat in Georgina, a successful business woman in Sophie and a lifelong public servant in Melissa. We bring different talents and expertise to the team, but we are united by our commitment and dedication to serving every community and everyone here in the South West of England and Gibraltar. We are also all enthusiastic supporters of David Cameron's commitment to fight for a better deal from the EU and give British people a referendum on that revised settlement."

~~~~~

Polling day is Thursday 22nd May, which as we all know is the first day of the Devon County Show. Therefore, we are encouraging as many of our members and supporters to sign up for a postal vote so that they can cast their vote in these all important European Elections and also go along and enjoy the show! Please contact Lucille Baker on 01395 233503 or email: [agent@tivotonhonitonconservatives.org.uk](mailto:agent@tivotonhonitonconservatives.org.uk) and you will be sent a postal vote application form. The last date for getting a Postal Vote is 7th May.

### February

Friday 21st West Hill AGM & Supper with Rt Hon Hugo Swire MP. 7:00p.m West Hill Village Hall 7:00p.m. Contact Pamela Marks Tel: 01404 813575

### March

Saturday 1st Budleigh Salterton AGM with Rt Hon Hugo Swire MP, Peter Hall at 11:00a.m

Friday 7th Drinks & Canapés with Rt Hon Owen Paterson MP and Rt Hon Hugo Swire MP, Kennaway House, Sidmouth 1:00p.m. Tickets £9.50. Tel: Lucille 01395 233503

Thursday 13th Sidmouth Lunch Club, Westcliff Hotel. Telephone Mary Jolly 01395 516967

Friday 21st East Devon Conservative Association AGM & Buffet with Rt Hon Hugo Swire MP The Knowle, Sidmouth. 7:00p.m. (see notice).

### April

Thursday 10th Sidmouth Lunch Club, Westcliff Hotel. Telephone Mary Jolly 01395 516967

Saturday 12th West Hill St Georges Day Dinner, West Hill Village Hall 7:00p.m. Contact Pamela Marks Tel: 01404 813575

Friday 25th East Devon Conservative Association & Exeter Foundation Gala Dinner & Auction with Rt Hon Hugo Swire MP. 7:00p.m

### May

Saturday 17th Budleigh Salterton Branch Salmon Supper at Budleigh Salterton Public Hall. More details to follow.

### June

Saturday 21st Sidmouth Branch Cream Tea, West Cliff Hotel 4:00p.m—5:30p.m. Contact the office for more details.

Friday 27th West Hill Midsummer Ball at Woodbury Park Contact John Rowland 01404 813027

### September

Saturday 13th Exmouth What is it Antiques evening. Contact the office for more details.

Saturday 27th West Hill Harvest Supper 7:00p.m West Hill Village Hall 7:00p.m. Contact Pamela Marks Tel: 01404 813575

### October

Friday 31st Budleigh Salterton Halloween Party. Contact Patsy Hayman Tel: 01395 443663

### November

Saturday 22nd West Hill Bangers & Mash Night, 7:00p.m West Hill Village Hall 7:00p.m. Contact Pamela Marks Tel: 01404 813575

Saturday 29th Exmouth Branch Famous Fun Quiz Christmas Edition. Contact: David Chapman Tel: 01395 279029

### December

Budleigh Salterton & Sidmouth Branches Christmas Lunch at the Westcliff Hotel, Sidmouth. Contact the office.

Friday 19th Mulled Wine & Mince Pies morning with Rt Hon Hugo Swire MP. Contact the office.



We are looking for people to fill the following roles on the Campaign Team:

- Distribution Director
- Absent Votes Director
- Fundraising Director
- Community Outreach Director
- Area Co-ordinators (1 per County Council Division.)

**IMPORTANT**

If you are interested in any of these roles please contact Lucille Baker 01395 233503 or Email: [agent@tivertonhonitonconservatives.org.uk](mailto:agent@tivertonhonitonconservatives.org.uk).



**Wednesday 19 March 2014 at 7pm. East Devon Conservative Group invite Conservative Party members of East Devon and Tiverton and Honiton to a Question and Answer session with**

**the Leader of East Devon District Council and other members of the Cabinet. For further information please contact Cllr Jill Elson. Tel: 01395 264731 Email: [jill@jillelson.co.uk](mailto:jill@jillelson.co.uk)**

## OUR LONG-TERM ECONOMIC PLAN

For more details go to:  
<http://www.conservatives.com/Policy.aspx>

Our long-term economic plan builds a stronger, more competitive economy and secures a better future for Britain by:

1. [Reducing the deficit](#) so we deal with our debts, safeguard our economy for the long term and keep mortgage rates low
2. [Cutting income taxes and freezing fuel duty](#) to help hardworking people be more financially secure
3. [Creating more jobs](#) by backing small business and enterprise with better infrastructure and lower jobs taxes
4. [Capping welfare](#) and [reducing immigration](#) so our economy delivers for people who want to work hard and play by the rules
5. [Delivering the best schools and skills for young people](#) so the next generation can succeed in the global race

## East Devon MP Hugo Swire visits flood hit village of Clyst St Mary



Days after returning from a visit to the Falklands as part of his role as Minister of State for the Foreign Office, MP Hugo Swire visited some of East Devon worst flood hit areas including Clyst St Mary.

After visiting Exmouth several days ago, on behalf of residents in the St Andrew's Road area, which has suffered from overflowing drains as well as flooding due to sea water breaching the sea wall on several occasions over the last fortnight, the MP has been in contact with Devon County Council's highways department.

County officials have subsequently confirmed the authority is working with South West Water to investigate what can be done there to alleviate the problem.

On his visit to Clyst St Mary, Mr Swire also spoke to several residents inside the village shop to find out if they had been affected by flooding.

Earlier this month, a multi-agency meeting was called by Bishops Clyst Parish Council with Environment Agency and South West Water, Devon County Council and East Devon District Council representatives to discuss the issue of the village's overflowing drainage system.

Hugo said: "We haven't had this kind of weather for two centuries, but as a result of the flooding we have seen, clearly issues such as how to keep the drains cleared and maintained needs to be addressed in areas which have seen them overflow such as Exmouth and Clyst St Mary.

"The response to our flood defence mechanism should not be disproportionate, for example raising the sea wall at Exmouth too excessively could have an adverse impact on tourism, and there needs to be balance.

"When homes and businesses are flooded, it is hugely demoralizing, and all I can do is be on the receiving end of people's issues and communicate these to the Environment Agency and councils to get the problems resolved."



**Follow Hugo on Twitter....  
@HugoSwire**

**East Devon Conservative Association Invite You To Meet...**

**Rt Hon Owen Paterson MP**

**Secretary of State for the Environment, Food & Rural Affairs & Rt Hon Hugo Swire MP  
Minister of State for the Foreign & Commonwealth Office**

**at**

**Kennaway House, Sidmouth**

**Friday 7th March 2014**

**1:00p.m—3:00p.m**

**Canapés  
Cash Bar  
Raffle**

**Tickets £9.50**

**RSVP: Lucille Baker, 9c Mill Park, White Cross Road, Woodbury Salterton, EX5 1EL. Tel: 01395 233503.**

**Email: [agent@tivertonhonitonconservatives.org.uk](mailto:agent@tivertonhonitonconservatives.org.uk). Please make cheques payable to EDCA.**