

## What is this election about?

Each of the 14 wards in Cambridge, including Queen Edith's, is electing one councillor to the City Council. Each ward also has two other councillors, who are part-way through their four-year term of office.

## What does the City Council do?

City Council responsibilities include housing, rubbish collections, licensing, planning and building control, environmental health and Council Tax. The separate County Council is responsible for most other services.






## What is the City Council's political party makeup?

The city council has 42 councillors, 3 from each ward. It has had a majority of councillors from the Labour party since 2014. For most of the 14 years before that it had a majority of Liberal Democrat councillors. At present, all three councillors from Queen Edith's are from the Liberal Democrats.

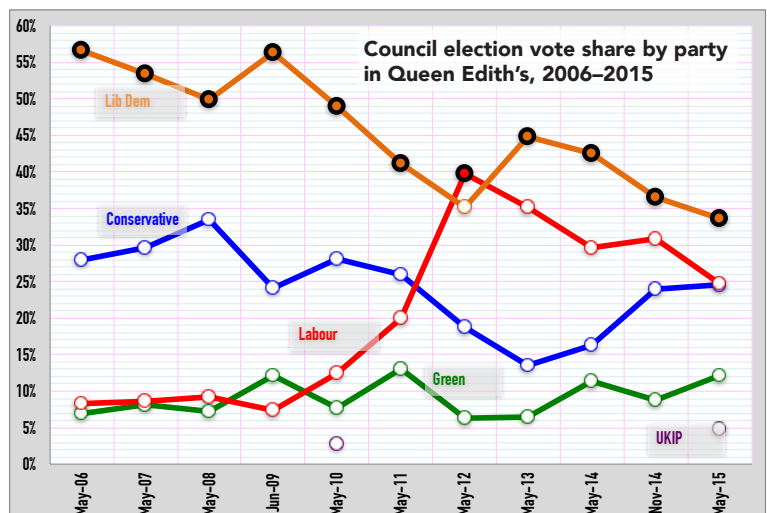
Party	Seats held <i>not</i> up for election in 2016	Seats held up for election in 2016	Total held in 2015/16
Conservative	0	1	1
Green	1	0	1
Independent	1	1	2
Labour	17	7	24
Liberal Democrat	9	5	14
<i>Total</i>	28	14	42

## Who did Queen Edith's ward vote for in previous council elections?

In May 2015, the voting was as follows:

<b>George Pippas</b> (Liberal Democrats)	1502	33.7%	
<b>Matt Worth</b> (Labour)	1102	24.7%	
<b>Andrew Bower</b> (Conservative)	1093	24.5%	
<b>Joel Chalfen</b> (Green)	546	12.3%	
<b>Candido Channell</b> (UKIP)	213	4.8%	

Over the last 10 years, there have been 11 elections (including an additional by-election in 2014), of which 9 were for the City Council and 2 for the County Council. 10 of the 11 elections were won by the Liberal Democrats, and 1 by the Labour party. The average number of voters in May council elections (excluding General Election years) has been about 2,750. The average number of votes cast for the winning candidate has been about 1,150.



## Who are the candidates?

There are 4 candidates for the 1 council seat available for Queen Edith's. The election is run on a first-past-the-post system, where you may vote for just one candidate.



### **John Beresford**

*Labour Party*

Resident: Cavendish Avenue,  
Queen Edith's, Cambridge



### **Joel Chalfen**

*Green Party*

Resident: Cavendish Avenue,  
Queen Edith's, Cambridge



### **Manas Deb**

*The Conservative Party*

Resident: Nightingale Avenue,  
Queen Edith's, Cambridge



### **Jennifer Page-Croft**

*Liberal Democrat*

Resident: Wulfstan Way,  
Queen Edith's, Cambridge

## Where can I find out more information?

All the candidates have promised at least one printed leaflet will be delivered during the campaign. All have at least a page of information on the web: there are links to these at the Democracy Club website: visit [queen-ediths.info/election2016](http://queen-ediths.info/election2016) – there is also a link there to the official 'Statement of Persons Nominated' for the ward. If you have any other questions about the election, please email the Queen Edith's Community Forum at [hello@queen-ediths.info](mailto:hello@queen-ediths.info)