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## Write to Gordon Brown to save PRH - Serena Tierney urges letter-writing campaign

Serena Tierney, Lib Dem parliamentary spokesman for Mid Sussex, is calling on local people to join her in a letter-writing campaign to Gordon Brown. She has written asking him to reverse the disastrous Whitehall policies that have artificially created deficits that threaten our A&E and maternity services at the PRH.

Serena says :

"Gordon Brown in his leadership acceptance speech said that he would listen to what people want. He says his first priority is the health service. I have invited him to show that he means what he says by reversing the policies that are driving the likely closure of the A&E and maternity services at the PRH.

Gordon Brown has a great opportunity as Prime Minister to sort out the current financial mess. He could replace the lack of vision in the management of our NHS that is driving a 'one size fits all' plan for health services across the country. Instead, he could listen to what people want - accessible local services, especially for A&E and maternity - and deliver it! Showing that he has understood that message would be a good start to his premiership.



I urge as many people as can to join me in writing now to Mr Brown to make a positive first impression as Prime Minister. The more of us who write, the better the chance is that he will take note."

Gordon Brown's contact details:

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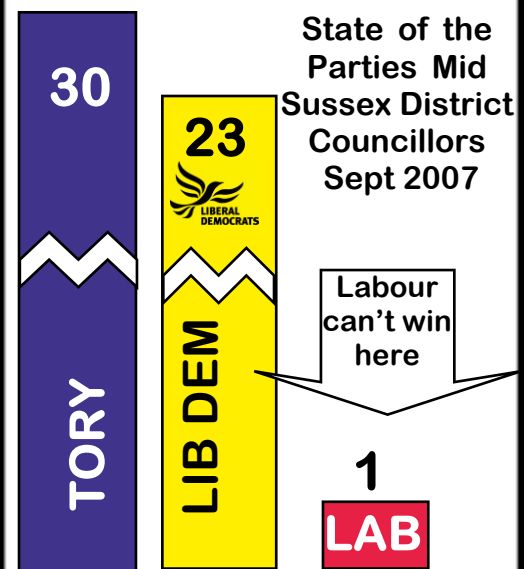


Liberal Democrats are interested in local peoples' views and ideas. We don't just turn up when there is an election.

Over the years by campaigning locally the Lib Dems have become the main alternative to the Tories in Mid Sussex.

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## COMING EVENTS

To find out more about our local programme of events and campaigning call Christine 454093 or Paul 417846

## STOP THE POST OFFICE CLOSURES CAMPAIGN

Local Lib Dem campaigner, **Serena Tierney** condemned the government's policy of closure for 2,500 post offices as unfair, unkind and unnecessary.

"Here in Mid Sussex, we have already lost 8 post offices since this government came to power despite strong local campaigns to save them. Now our local communities face losing even more post offices.

"It is unfair - the government has again failed to hear what people are saying: the post office network is a much-valued service and should be designed to reflect local needs.

"It is unkind because the government has still not announced which post offices are under threat. Many sub-postmasters run other businesses that are vital to the local community and depend on the post office income to make ends meet.

" And it is unnecessary because instead of a further round of cuts, the Government could adopt Liberal Democrats plans for the Post Office. Then they would be able to invest an additional £2 billion in the network and safeguard the future of our local post offices. "The Conservatives have nothing to offer our post offices. 3,500 post offices closed during the last Conservative government. They totally failed to take action to save the post office network. The Conservatives still do not have a plan. "Only the Liberal Democrats have a fully-funded plan to save the post office."



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