

■ Working for Eastwood Park Ward

# Eastwood News



2021 Election Special

**SOUTHEND COUNCIL ELECTIONS**  
**THURSDAY 6TH MAY**  
**VOTE TO RE-ELECT CHRIS WALKER**

*Dear Resident*

I have lived in Eastwood for 50 years and have represented the residents of Eastwood for over 20 years, addressing your individual concerns and wider Ward and Borough issues, most recently:

- Represented you in on-line consultations on the demolition of our gas holders and the alleviation of flooding in Progress Road and the problems of Eastwood brook
- Successfully opposed a larger telecommunication mast proposed at Rochford Corner (double the size of the existing mast)
- Successfully lobbied for a right turn lane into Lidl's car park
- I continue to attend the Local Community Meetings with the Police to discuss crime in Eastwood, these meetings replace the Leigh Crime Prevention Panel, of which I was a member for over a decade
- I actively support the environment and campaign for new trees in suitable places
- Supported individual residents on a confidential basis with issues relating to the Council and Covid 19



If you choose to re-elect me on 6<sup>th</sup> May my priorities will include:

- Continue to represent the residents of Eastwood on Southend Council and resolve their issues.
- Maintain and enhance Eastwood's tranquil environment, fighting for funding to improve our roads and pavements.
- Work with the police to drive down crime and disorder in Eastwood and across the town. Develop a more rigorous approach to address the issues surrounding illegal travellers, rough sleepers and beggars in our shopping centres.
- Actively support our elderly to continue living independently in their own homes for as long as they wish to do so

*Chris Walker - "I listen, I act, I deliver"*



**Southend Conservative Group Manifesto key actions:**

- ◆ Abolish the proposed 'toilet tax' charge to use public toilets
- ◆ Stop the closure of the Queensway Underpass and end anti-car policies
- ◆ Ensure large scale developments have the appropriate infrastructure
- ◆ Overturn the increase in car parking charges and end the 'Tourist Tax'
- ◆ Protect the green belt, safeguarding us from development to the north

The full manifesto can be found on our Eastwood Park website, together with many other items of information, including the latest Covid 19 statistics and advice. Visit <https://www.southendwestconservatives.com/eastwood-park-ward>

**Postal Votes:**

The deadline to apply for a postal vote is 5pm Tuesday 20 April. While polling stations will be Covid safe why not avoid them altogether by requesting a postal vote?

The forms are available on the Council's web site: [www.Southend.gov.uk](http://www.Southend.gov.uk)  
Alternatively phone 215010 to request an application form.

# RE-ELECT CHRIS WALKER

## The local choice for Eastwood

- As a local Conservative Chris is a member of the team which represents our local community
- Chris stands by his track record of representing local residents and putting Eastwood first



**Sir David Amess MP**

**“Vote for Chris Walker so he can continue to support me and the residents of Southend”.**

*David Amess*

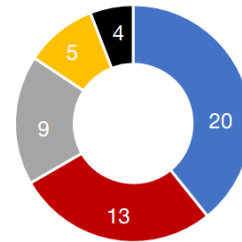
### Vote Liberal Democrat, Get Labour

There are 5 Southend Liberal Democrat Councillors

They ALL support a LABOUR Council



### Vote Conservative, Get Conservative



Only the Conservatives can win a majority

Only the Conservatives can keep LABOUR out

A vote for anyone else keeps LABOUR in

### Social Media

Social media has been a lifeline to some during the lock-down, however, in politics it can be divisive and misleading. For example, Facebook pages purporting to keep residents informed can and are run by political groups to further their own agenda. Some posts are downright lies but because they were posted first they are often believed over the later announced truth. A good example is the claim by one group that they were responsible for getting the Eastwood sign refurbished— this was in fact championed by an active resident and Conservative Councillors arranged a meeting on site with a Council official and agreed the refurbishment and funding. For the full facts visit:

<https://www.southendwestconservatives.com/eastwood-park-ward>

### Canvassing

In view of the Covid 19 pandemic I have decided not to put you at risk by door to door canvassing for this year's local elections. At the time of writing this article, the R rate is again approaching 1 and we can't afford to let our guard down.

Your wellbeing is far more important than political canvassing and I am sure you do not want us calling unnecessarily.

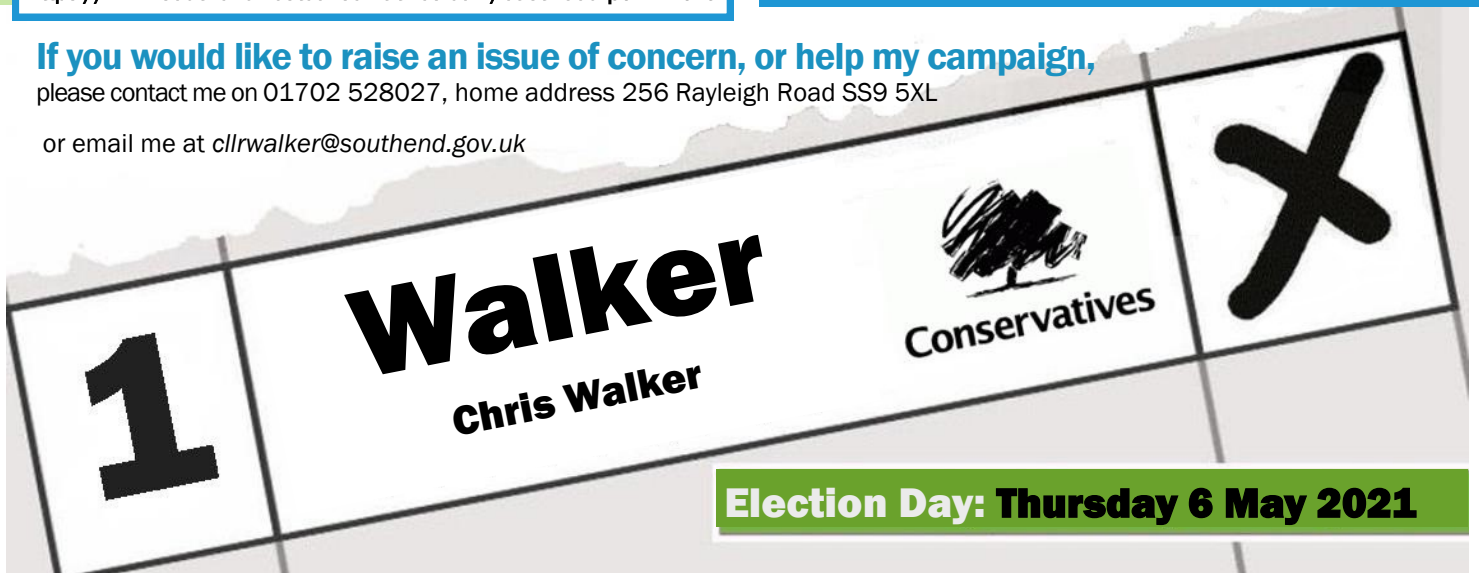
If you want to talk to me about local issues please get in touch using the contact details below.

*Chris Walker*

**If you would like to raise an issue of concern, or help my campaign,**

please contact me on 01702 528027, home address 256 Rayleigh Road SS9 5XL

or email me at [cllwalker@southend.gov.uk](mailto:cllwalker@southend.gov.uk)



**Election Day: Thursday 6 May 2021**