

Trafford

Green Party



Press Release

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Don't lose your voice - register to vote

The European elections are taking place on Thursday 4 June - are you ready to have your say in the North West ?

Many local residents, who are eligible to vote may not register in time. If you're one of those people, you could miss your chance to choose who represents you and your region in Europe.

The European Parliament makes decisions that have a direct impact on every resident in the North West. Crucial legislation on a vast range of issues, from air pollution and climate change to rights at work and asylum, is set at the European level.

All UK, EU and Commonwealth citizens living in our area are eligible to vote, **but you must be registered on the electoral roll.** The deadline for registering is Tuesday 19 May. For advice and information visit www.aboutmyvote.co.uk or call your local council and ask for the elections office.

**You need to vote to have a voice –
make sure nothing stops you.**

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Notes to editors:

Trafford Green Party is challenging Trafford Council to act as below

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10- point Climate Change Challenge

Working towards a low carbon economy

1. *Cut CO2 emissions by an extra 9% every year (creating a cut of 25% by 2011 and nearly 90% by 2030).*
2. *Collect 70% of all household waste for recycling or local composting by 2015.*
3. *Set a 20mph speed limit on residential roads across the Borough and put pedestrians first.*
4. *Make public transport more attractive by improving service, reducing fares and introducing more family and season tickets.*
5. *Support policies designed to reduce individual car use, encourage car-sharing and support walking, cycling and public transport initiatives.*
6. *Support sustainable energy by sourcing all electricity, including street lighting, from genuinely renewable supplies.*
7. *Say no to the destruction of our environment by blocking expansion of Manchester Airport and any new road building.*
8. *Help Trafford residents to do their bit with free insulation. Support the creation of micro-generation power schemes and other kinds of decentralised energy production.*
9. *Set the highest possible standard for new buildings by insisting that every new development surpasses the BREEAM 'Excellent' standard.*
10. *Eat local with a food strategy that re-localises food supplies to schools and other Council facilities. Make it easier for everybody to grow their own and buy local through allotments, farmers' markets and other projects.*

1. Trafford Green Party was set up in January 2007
2. Further information can be found on our website www.traffordgreens.org.uk
3. For details of national policy and activities of green councillors in other areas see www.greenparty.org.uk

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