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CANTERBURY AND COASTAL LIB DEM EVENTS CALENDAR

JANUARY TO DECEMBER 2026

TO BOOK ALL EVENTS – CONTACT JANE ON:

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Also find information on our website at: www.canterburylibdems.org.uk/get-involved/events

SATURDAY **17th JANUARY** **7.00 – 10.30pm**	**NEW YEAR PARTY** St Dunstan's Church Hall, 80 London Rd, Canterbury CT2 8LS Please bring a bottle and a 'plate' to share
SATURDAY **28th FEBRUARY** **9.30am to 2.00pm**	**THE YEAR AHEAD – HOW WE MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN 2026** Thanington Resource Centre, Thanington Road, Canterbury CT1 3XE With significant National and International events due to take place this year, this is a chance for members to meet and consider how we ensure our Lib Dem voices are heard widely. We will hear from speakers on a range of topics, with time for discussion. Also, an update from local councillors and a chance to discuss the Motions going to the LD Spring Conference in York. Lunch will be provided. Programme available from our website.
13th to 15th MARCH	**NATIONAL LIB DEM SPRING CONFERENCE** **York**
FRIDAY **20th MARCH** **7.00 – 10.30pm**	**QUIZ NIGHT** ARCA HALL, Ashford Road Hot dogs, chips and coleslaw (vegan hot dogs also available). Soft drinks provided. £10.00 per person - £5 for students and children Maximum of 8 per team/table
WEDNESDAY **25TH MARCH** **7.00 - 8.30pm**	**POLITICAL DISCUSSION GROUP** **Led by Martin Vye and Jane Carne** 31 Abbey Gardens, Canterbury CT2 7EU
Late April / Early May	**AWAY DAYS to Surrey** Meet fellow Lib Dems and help win our SE Region Unitary Elections. Get some exercise! Time for sightseeing too. Further details to follow.
THURSDAY **7th MAY**	**ELECTIONS DAY around the UK** The 7th May will see 136 Local Council elections and 6 mayoral elections in England, plus the Scottish Parliament and Welsh Senedd. **If you would like to help our fellow Lib Dems in the South-East,** please email at: info@canterburylibdems.org.uk

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TUESDAY **12th MAY** **9.30am to 4.30pm**	**VISIT CHARTWELL – Home to Winston Churchill** Join us on a visit to Chartwell, home of Winston Churchill. Visit the House, Gardens, Art Studio, Café and Shop. Travel together by coach. Leaving Canterbury at 9.30am, return by 4.30pm. **Ticket price: £60 or £40 for National Trust members**
THURSDAY **14TH OR 21ST MAY** **(tbc) 7.00 - 8.30pm**	**POLITICAL DISCUSSION GROUP** **Led by Martin Vye and Jane Carne** 31 Abbey Gardens, Canterbury CT2 7EU
JUNE	**MARKING THE 10th ANNIVERSARY OF THE BREXIT REFERENDUM** There will be a series of events nationally and locally. Further information to follow.
SUNDAY **12th JULY** **2.30 - 4.30pm**	**AFTERNOON TEA WITH BAT AND TRAP** ARCA Hall, 151 Ashford Road, Canterbury, CT1 3XR Cost £7.00 per person
19th to 22nd SEPTEMBER	**NATIONAL LIB DEM AUTUMN CONFERENCE** **Brighton**
FRIDAY **30th OCTOBER** **7.00 – 10.00pm**	**ANNUAL DINNER** Lower Hardres Village Hall, Lower Hardres CT4 5NP Guest speaker: Mike Martin, Lib Dem MP for Tunbridge Wells 4 Course Dinner, a glass of 'Fizz' on Arrival Wine and water on tables £45 per person
THURSDAY **5th NOVEMBER** **6.30 for 7.00pm**	**AGM** Venue to be confirmed
FRIDAY **11th DECEMBER** **7.00pm**	**CHRISTMAS QUIZ NIGHT** ARCA HALL, Ashford Road Supper and mince pies. Soft drinks provided £10.00 per person - £5 for students and children Maximum of 8 per team/table Proceeds of the Raffle to Thanington Resource Centre. Items for their Christmas food Bank welcomed

COFFEE MORNINGS 2026

Meet other Lib Dems for coffee and cake on Saturday mornings at 10.30 upstairs in the Coffee Corner Café, 51-52 St Dunstan's Street, Canterbury CT2 8BS.

Last Saturday of each month unless indicated* and not in August and December:

31st January; 28th March; *25th April (date to be confirmed); 30th May;

27th June; 25th July; 26th September; 31st October; 28th November.

* No coffee morning in February due to 'The Year Ahead' event at Thanington on 28Th Feb – all welcome.