

**CANTERBURY AND COASTAL LIB DEM
EVENTS CALENDAR
JANUARY TO DECEMBER 2026**



TO BOOK ALL EVENTS – CONTACT JANE ON:

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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 10am to 1pm	THE YEAR AHEAD – HOW WE MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN 2026 Thanington Resource Centre 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. With guest speaker. Further details to follow. Also, a chance to discuss the Motions going to the LD Spring Conference in York.
13th to 15th MARCH	NATIONAL LIB DEM SPRING CONFERENCE York
FRIDAY 20th MARCH 7.00 – 10.30pm	QUIZ NIGHT ARCA HALL, Ashford Road Baked potatoes with fillings and a green salad. 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 7 th 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
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 to be confirmed.

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 Key Note speaker – to be announced 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: 31 st January; 28 th March; *25 th April (date to be confirmed); 30 th May; 27 th June; 25 th July; 26 th September; 31 st October; 28 th November. * No coffee morning in February due to ‘The Year Ahead’ event at Thanington on 28 Th Feb – all welcome.	