

I was honoured to be elected as a Town Councillor for Harvey West in the elections in May 2019 and re-elected in 2023. I have lived and worked in nearby Sandgate since 2004.

I run a web design and development company, am a long standing member of the Liberal Democrats and am currently serving on four Councils – Hythe Town Council, Sandgate Parish Council, Folkestone Town Council and Folkestone and Hythe District Council.

I was proud in June 2019 to stand up for Hythe and Sandgate by moving the motion alongside the Green Party calling on the District Council to abandon plans to develop Princes Parade in Seabrook and instead build a new sports centre and swimming pool in Martello Lakes in West Hythe. With the change of district administration in 2023, we have now won the battle to Save Princes Parade.

Away from Council meetings, I'm the Treasurer of the Chichester Memorial Hall Charity, Trustee of the Sandgate Heritage Trust and Wakefield Bequest, Secretary of the Sandgate Members Club, convenient seat and bringer of kibbles for Minnie (cat & killer of flies), Managing Director of Prater Raines Ltd and sometimes a bit tired.

I will stand up for local residents, our area and environment and push for the most open, transparent and inclusive standards for our Council. I'm always happy to hear from you – contact details are on this website and at <https://prater.uk/>