

SAVE CLAYGATE GREEN BELT

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7th MAY – ELECTIONS FOR THE NEW EAST SURREY COUNCIL

7 OUT OF 11 CANDIDATES AGREE TO SIGN OUR CAMPAIGN'S PLEDGE

NOW YOU KNOW!

To remind you, Save Claygate Green Belt wrote to all 11 candidates to represent, Esher, Claygate and Oxshott North in the 7th May elections for the new East Surrey Council. Where candidates had supplied email addresses on their election addresses or websites, we wrote to those, and otherwise we emailed their party offices.

We asked all the candidates to agree to pledge as follows:

"If elected to East Surrey Council on 7th May 2026, and without predetermining any specific application, I pledge that I will do all I can to protect the Green Belt in and around Claygate from development, including campaigning to the best of my ability in the council at large and in my political grouping to achieve the same end."

The following candidates agreed to the pledge:

BURLEY, Andrew	Conservative Party Candidate
BURTON, Andrew Edward James	Liberal Democrats
COOMES, Alex	Liberal Democrats
COOMES, Sarah	Green Party
CUNNINGHAM, Ian	Green Party
HERBERT, Geoff	ReformUK – Changing Politics for Good
MANSHIP, Amanda	Conservative Party Candidate

We do not support any particular political party. In fact, we have never discussed voting intentions even casually among those of us who are running the Save Claygate Green Belt campaign.

However, the new East Surrey Council will finalise a new local plan, including identifying which land should be used to meet government-imposed housing quotas and which should be spared. So the council elections are hugely important for the future of our Green Belt.

We simply want you know this - almost all candidates referenced the Green Belt in their election material, but only the above seven agreed to our no ifs, no buts, and no get-outs pledge.

Just saying.

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