



## THE LUNAR SOCIETY

### General Election Hustings 2024

Join the Lunar Society for the 'must not miss' open Hustings event of the campaign: Monday 1<sup>st</sup> July, 1730-2000, at Bruntwood's ICentrum Building, Holt Street, Birmingham, B7 4BP.

Pre-book link for car park 5

<https://www.justpark.com/uk/parking/birmingham/s/holt-street-birmingham-b7-4bh-p5c6ac00c0baf0/>

Please note the building is in the clear air zone.

#### Itinerary, Candidates, and Chairs Biographies

##### Itinerary

- 1730: Representatives arrival
- 1800-1804: Welcome and acknowledgement of sponsors by Chair, Clive Stone DL. Sponsors are: Bruntwood SciTech venue; Civico IT and live stream;
- 1804-1807: Sponsors Daniel Cremin (Civico)
- 1807-1810 Charmaine Burton FTLS Honorary Secretary and Chair of Hustings invites candidates to approach the floor.
- 1810–1816: Candidates Opening Statements (2 minis each)
- 1816-1945: Hustings debate - 5 candidates: Richard Dickson (Liberal Democrats); Max McLoughlin (Green Party); Pete Durnell (Reform Party); Yvonne Clements (Conservatives) and Labour to confirm attendance
- 1945–1955: Charmaine to close and invite candidates for closing statements (2 mins each)
- 1955-2000: Hand over for closing remarks and vote of thanks to candidates, audience, and sponsors Clive Stone.

##### **Additional notes for Housekeeping/Chairs:**

There is no planned fire alarm testing this evening so please make yourselves aware of the fire exits and disabled access if required in event of an evacuation. The muster point is outside the Centrum Building.

The loos are situated (*point to main reception area to the left as you enter the building*).

Please do put your mobile phones on silent for the event however, the audience are encouraged to Tweet, take photographs, and generally comment on the event on Instagram, LinkedIn as it proceeds and afterwards.



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## Introduction

Our Hustings is a non-selective open meeting where we are delighted to hear from the representatives and their debate on their party manifestos, with the opportunity to answer questions from the audience. Our Hustings event will provide voters with an opportunity to hear the views of representatives in an open yet respectful manner in keeping with Lunar Society values.

2024 is a pivotal year for Birmingham and the West Midlands as we go to the polls to elect our government and MPs. The choice we make in July is a vital one. Your voice matters in shaping the future of our communities.

## Representatives'

- **Richard Dickson (Liberal Democrats)**
- **Max McLoughlin (Green Party)**
- **Pete Durnell (Reform Party)**
- **Yvonne Clements (Conservative)**
- **Gurinder Singh Josan (Labour)**

## Chair of Event:

**Charmaine Burton, FTLS Honorary Secretary**

A social entrepreneur, communications specialist, political broadcaster and a former House of Commons Committee on Standards Lay Member, Charmaine also became the Vice-Chair of the Committee on Standards Sub-Committee Code of Conduct and Guide Review in March 2019. Charmaine is a member of the WMPCC Strategic Policing and Crime Board and a Council member of the Community Media Association. She is also Executive Producer and presenter of the Different Anglez politics and current affairs radio show.

Previously a Member of the Lunar Society Executive Board of Trustees Charmaine has been responsible for creating and delivering several of the Society's events, most notably the highly successful Hustings prior to the election of the Mayor of the Combined Authority of the West Midlands, and the West Midlands Police and Crime Commissioner in 2021, the only events in the region to have representation from every candidate.

## Representatives of the Lunar Society

**David Searle FTLS Trustee**

## Sponsors

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