

Focus on

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Whickham North & Swalwell

BY-ELECTION SPECIAL

Polling Day: Thursday 24th October 2024



Susan CRAIG

The best choice for Whickham North and Swalwell

I grew up in Low Fell, but have lived in Whickham for the last 24 years.

I've worked as a nurse in a hospital but also within the community. I was an Assistant Manager at Marie Curie Cancer Care - a charity close to my heart which I've raised funds for in my spare time, over many years. These days I run my own business as a certified Holistic Practitioner.

Elected as a ward councillor for Low Fell in 2008, I was re-elected three times, but after 14 years of public service I stepped down to help to look after my grandchildren.

In 2022, I was made an Honorary Alderwoman for eminent service to the Borough of Gateshead.

My grandchildren are now at nursery and in school full time, so I have the time to once again put myself forward for service as a ward councillor.

I am delighted to have been chosen to be the candidate for Whickham North and Swalwell.

As a background member of the Focus Team since 2003 and as a former ward councillor, I believe that I have the necessary skills, knowledge and ability, so that our community can continue to have a strong and experienced team of ward councillors who will work hard together and speak up for local people.



We're backing Susan!

Sonya is standing down from the Council because of family and work commitments and Susan has been selected by local Lib Dem members to stand in the resulting by-election.



Keep a strong Focus team

Susan has been a valued background member of the Focus Team since 2003 and we have all successfully worked together for a number of years.

Having a good team of councillors that work well together is very important. It can impact on many things, from dealing with littering and fly-tipping to protecting the vitality of our community.

Therefore, we are backing Susan as the ideal person to replace Sonya and allow us to keep a strong Focus Team that fights for our residents.



3 reasons to vote for Susan

Susan has lived in the ward for 24 years and has been part of the Focus Team since 2003

Susan has the skills, experience and local knowledge to be your ward councillor

Susan has a proven track record of campaigning and a strong presence in our community

Susan CRAIG



Susan Craig : A local candidate that will work hard on local issues

We're all backing

SUSAN CRAIG



Susan and I have worked together for the last 12 years and we have become close friends as well as Council colleagues and members of the Focus Team. Susan would be a perfect fit for our ward and I would be delighted if she were elected in my place.

Suzie

Susan works hard for our area and understands local issues very well. We're both backing Susan.
Peter & Claire, Grange Estate



I've known Susan since she moved to Whickham. She never seems to stop working and does so much to help everyone. I'll be voting for Susan.

Esther

Whickham resident

Lib Dems listen to residents's concerns, do something about them and keep people up to date on progress. *Steven, Whickham*

The Lib Dems are the only ones who keep in touch all year round.
Kristopher, Swalwell



Tim Farron
Lib Dem MP

Susan has been part of the Lib Dem team for over twenty years. She already has a lot of experience as a councillor in Gateshead and would do an excellent job in Whickham North and Swalwell.

We definitely need more women in politics. I know Susan very well and I'm confident she will do an excellent job representing Whickham North and Swalwell. Fran B.

Diary dates - correction:

Focus 178 listed the Remembrance Events as Sunday 8th November. The correct date is Sunday 10th November.



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To keep a strong Lib Dem Focus Team

