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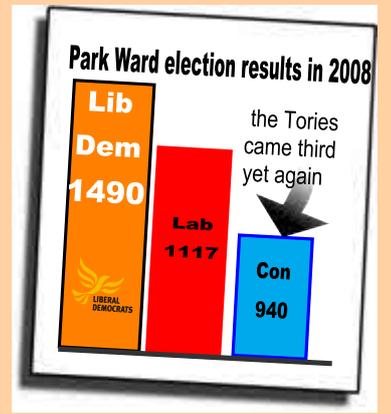
On Park Ward

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Cllr Robin Lawrence, Cllr Claire Darke and the Liberal Democrat Focus Team working for Park Ward



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"Thank You"

Says Cllr Claire Darke

With turnout up this year, Claire Darke won Park Ward with a big majority. The election was hard fought and resulted in a larger than ever share of the votes for the Liberal Democrats.

Claire said "I would like to say a big thank you to everyone who supported me in our campaign. I intend to use my term in office to carry on the good work for our area. I will continue to campaign for kerb side recycling of plastics and cardboard as well road safety matters and footpath repairs which voters told me they have appreciated very much.

The Focus Team will keep in touch through Focus leaflets and do all we can to help improve local facilities and services. Please do not hesitate to contact me on any issue."



Cllr Robin Lawrence congratulates Cllr Claire Darke on her victory in the Park Ward elections

Tories stay 3rd as Labour vote collapses

The Liberal Democrats said all along that the Conservatives couldn't win in Park Ward and when the votes were counted they were yet again in 3rd place with fewer votes than last year. This was against a background of the Tories benefiting from a national swing elsewhere. Councillor Claire Darke said "The Liberal Democrats will continue to work for everyone in our area and not just those people who voted Liberal Democrat."

**Park Ward results
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Lib Dems hold balance of power in Wolverhampton

The collapse of support for the Labour Party means that no party has enough councillors to control the City Council. The Liberal Democrats hold the key to which way matters will go and are determined to act only in the best interest of the City and not for their own personal or party advantage.

Cllr Claire Darke is delighted with new footpaths



Cllr Claire Darke inspects work in progress

When residents of Crawford Road and Merridale Crescent complained to Cllr Robin Lawrence that the footpaths along their roads were in a poor state he took action to get them included in the footpath repair programme. An edition of Focus was able to report that he had succeeded and work would commence in April. And it did. The entire footpath has been dug up and resurfaced with smooth asphalt.

Cllr Claire Darke said, "This illustrates the way Liberal Democrat councillors work. We are always ready to take up the concerns of the residents of Park Ward and then we keep them informed about progress even if it turns out that the problem can not be solved."

2008 Park Ward Election Results

Claire Darke	1490	42.0%
Labour	1117	31.4%
Conservative	940	26.5%

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