Motion to Midlothian Council

28 March 2017

Midlothian Council believes that local politics should be available and accessible to all those who wish to participate in it, including candidates in the upcoming elections. Research shows that negative politics create barriers for participation, particularly from women and minority groups.

We therefore pledge that our respective parties will campaign on local issues, relevant to the people of Midlothian; that we will avoid personal attacks on individuals and unilaterally condemn such attacks from wherever they appear; that we will seek to promote our own distinctive messages in a positive way, avoiding negative campaigning. We call on all members of this council and all political parties and independent candidates contesting the local elections in Midlothian to agree and sign up to this pledge.

Proposed By:



Councillor Kelly Parry

Seconded By:



Councillor Ian Baxter