

ELECTION SPECIAL



The Red Wall Rebuilt

Labour's 411 MPs



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Barrow and Furness
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MICHELLE SCROGHAM MP

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Penrith and Solway
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MARKUS CAMPBELL-SAVOURS MP

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Carlisle
CONGRATULATIONS
JULIE MINNS MP

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Whitehaven and Workington
CONGRATULATIONS
JOSH MACALISTER MP

2024, a year to remember

May 2nd Labour election victory in Westmorland & Lonsdale. **Dave Allen, Police, Fire & Crime Commissioner for Labour won Cumbria.** Our votes contributed to his success...wonderful to celebrate at the Count: a Labour Victory.



July 4th saw election success for Cumbria. Cumbria is now a Tory free zone with Labour MPs in all but one constituency. Congratulations also go to our neighbours in the South: Lizzi Collinge MP for Morecambe and Lunesdale plus Cat Smith MP for Lancaster and Fleetwood. We are so pleased that efforts for Michelle Scrogham now MP for Barrow and Furness bore fruit. Great to have a Labour MP on our doorstep.

Our General Election Campaign



Kendal Parish Church Hustings

Pippa Smith was our Prospective Parliamentary Candidate for the 2024 General Election. The date did come as a bit of a surprise as most of us thought it would be an Autumn election....

Pippa attended a number of Hustings (a debate organised by groups for candidates) where she showed confidence and enthusiasm for Labour, always well informed and knowledgeable.

Campaigning proved difficult as our small contingent of activists were split between Barrow & Furness and our own CLP. However over 6,000 leaflets were distributed far and wide including some of the new parts of our CLP: Appleby, Tebay, Brough, Kirkby Stephen.

Thank you to all who helped and supported Pippa in many ways.

Thank you also to those who raised funds and donated for our Take back Barrow campaign. In total we raised just over £11,000...such a great effort and much appreciated by Michelle Scrogam MP.

Pippa proved to be a very capable and competent candidate and we wish her well for whatever she decides to do in the future.

Penny Henderson



Thank you to everyone who supported the campaign and to everyone who played a role in securing a Labour government. We lost the battle here in Westmorland and Lonsdale but won an incredible victory nationally, and I'm particularly happy for our neighbouring Cumbrian seats, who all now have Labour MPs.

There is much to do here in Westmorland and Lonsdale to make the case for Labour, build our ground campaign and show that we can deliver change, but in power we have a solid platform from which to work. It's been an honour to be your candidate and I've loved being out on the campaign trail. Thanks again for your support.

Pippa Smith



Pippa's Campaign Launch





Supporting Michelle Scrogam in Barrow & Furness

Westmorland and Lonsdale CLP has a good record of supporting Labour candidates in neighbouring marginal seats – Morecambe and Lunesdale in 2015, Lancaster and Fleetwood in 2017, and Barrow and Furness in 2019.

For the 2024 General Election, the local party decided to concentrate its campaigning in support of Michelle Scrogam, the Labour Candidate for Barrow and Furness, which was exactly the type of constituency that Labour needed to win at the General Election to form a Government.

Since last Autumn, Westmorland and Lonsdale members have been regularly travelling to Barrow, Ulverston, Millom, Swarthmoor and other parts of the constituency to help Michelle's campaign with leafleting and door knocking.

The result was a Labour win for Michelle with a majority of 5,324 over the Tories, on a 13.8% swing. So, a great result, but not one that should give rise to any complacency since the combined Tory/Reform vote exceeded the Labour vote.

Congratulations to Michelle who joins four other Labour MPs in what is now a Tory-free Cumbria.

Bob Stow



Barrow Taken Back!!!

It's been a whirlwind of a few weeks since polling day, elected on a Friday and here in Westminster just two days later where we've hit the ground running and started as we mean to go on.

The job of an MP is certainly one of the most unique, challenging and satisfying I know. The longest interview process ever, which, once you're given the job, begins instantly but with no job description, office or set hours.

Our first morning in the chamber was unusual, given that it was solely an induction for new MPs, and there were so many of us we filled those famous green benches leaving most of us wondering where the returning MPs would fit. Turns out that they fit anywhere, shoulder to shoulder, on the steps, huddled at the edges or peeping out from behind the Speaker's chair.

I'm currently focussed on putting together a team and office to ensure we can deliver the best for Barrow and Furness and begin surgeries across the area.

I'd like to finish by thanking everyone who put their faith and trust in me and elected me as the first woman and first local person ever to be the Barrow and Furness MP, and to all those who got involved in my campaign,

Michelle Scrogam MP

Thank you all so much, Michelle xx

Fun Photo quiz

Name the "NAMES" Pippa is with



1 John Healey MP, 2 David Allen PFCC, 3 Lee Mack, 4 Lizzi Collinge MP, 5 Michelle Scrogam MP,
6 Keir Starmer MP Prime Minister