

Rosamund Adoo-Kissi-Debrah to run for the Green party in Lewisham East by-election

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Adoo-Kissi-Debrah campaign for:

- **Clean air for happy, healthy lives**
- **A final say over Europe – with the option to remain in**
- **Schools we can be proud of – supporting young people and their mental health**

The Green Party today announced clean air campaigner Rosamund Adoo-Kissi-Debrah as their candidate for the upcoming Lewisham East by-election.

Adoo-Kissi-Debrah became a local clean air campaigner following the death of her daughter in 2013 from a rare and severe form of asthma. This led her to set up the Ella Roberta Family Foundation[1], which works to increase awareness of asthma in schools and local community groups.

Adoo-Kissi-Debrah is standing on a platform of tackling air pollution, giving people a say on Brexit and improving Lewisham's schools.

Nearly 9,500 people die early every year in London because of air pollution [2], and Adoo-Kissi-Debrah has committed to fighting for clean air and respiratory conditions to be prioritised at a national level if elected as Lewisham East's MP.

As Lewisham East voted overwhelmingly to remain in the European Union, Adoo-Kissi-Debrah will campaign for the British people to have a final say on Europe.

Adoo-Kissi-Debrah, who is a secondary school teacher in Lewisham, will also fight for schools that local people can be proud of. She wants more funding for young people's mental health support, and to implement a joined up, holistic approach to the issue which helps young people and their families manage their conditions while giving them the confidence to go flourish.

Rosamund Adoo-Kissi-Debrah said:

"I am standing in the Lewisham East by-election for the Green Party because I know Lewisham residents now want to see real change, and a stronger, healthier Lewisham. They are sick of party-political infighting and want to see the real problems they have being championed in Parliament.

"I am here to cut through the grand-standing and ideology and deliver for Lewisham. People in Lewisham want to see their lives improve."

Notes:

[1] <http://ellaroberta.org>

[2] <https://www.theguardian.com/environment/2015/jul/15/nearly-9500-people-die-each-year-in-london-because-of-air-pollution-study>

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