

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP REPORT (2024/25)

As at October 31st 2024 we had 84 registered members and 25 registered supporters which represents a fall of 8 members and 4 supporters from the previous year. However, there has been a slight increase in members during the last couple of months and, hopefully, this trend will continue. A small sub-committee has been formed the purpose of which is to explore new approaches to both recruitment and retention of members.

We are continuing the campaign commenced a year ago to recruit/influence young voters which involves them receiving personal letters. Tom Allan is co-ordinating this programme and has re-drafted the letter following the party's remarkable success in the recent general election. We would very much welcome additional assistance with the distribution of letters particularly in the Coleford and Cinderford areas. Anybody interested in helping out should contact Tom by phone on 07392 938244 or by e-mail at thomasallan1352002@gmail.com

It is sad to report the passing of a long standing member Robin Warren who died recently at the age of 93. Robin served on the Forest of Dean and Lydney Town Council and was also for some time President of our Association. His contribution to the Liberal, and latterly Liberal Democrat cause in the Forest of Dean was highly significant.

Confronted with both an unpopular Labour Government, and Tory opposition party, opportunities for the Liberal Democrats are endless .Let us take full advantage by expanding our membership base during the year ahead.