### Greater Manchester Muslim Voters Parliamentary Candidate Recommendation

**Constituency: Makerfield** 

## **Background Information**

Current MP: Yvonne Fovargue, Labour

How voted on Ceasefire: Abstained

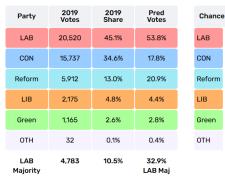
Muslim Electorate: 0.8%, 600 [Very Low Impact]

# **Constituency History**

This is traditionally a solid Labour constituency.

#### **Current Polling Prediction**

Source: https://www.electoralcalculus.co.uk/





## **Preferred Candidate Election History**

## John Charles Skipworth's elections

| Date | Election  | Party                | Results                                | Position                |
|------|---|----------------------|--|-------------------------|
| 2024 | Makerfield: UK<br>Parliamentary general<br>election | Liberal<br>Democrats | (Results due after<br>04 July 2024)    | Position not available  |
| 2024 | Hindley: Wigan local election                       | Liberal<br>Democrats | 54 votes (not<br>elected)              | 8th / 8<br>candidates   |
| 2023 | Hindley: Wigan local election                       | Liberal<br>Democrats | 186 votes (not<br>elected)             | 10th / 10<br>candidates |
| 2022 | Hindley: Wigan local election                       | Liberal<br>Democrats | 288 votes (not<br>elected)             | 3rd / 4<br>candidates   |
| 2021 | Hindley: Wigan local election                       | Liberal<br>Democrats | 91 votes (not<br>elected)              | 5th / 5<br>candidates   |
| 2019 | Makerfield: UK<br>Parliamentary general<br>election | Liberal<br>Democrats | 2,108 votes (not<br>elected)           | 4th / 5<br>candidates   |
| 2019 | Hindley: Wigan local<br>election                    | Liberal<br>Democrats | 70 votes (not<br>elected)              | 5th / 5<br>candidates   |
| 2018 | Hindley: Wigan local election                       | Liberal<br>Democrats | 58 votes (not<br>elected)              | 5th / 5<br>candidates   |
| 2017 | Makerfield: UK<br>Parliamentary general<br>election | Liberal<br>Democrats | 1,322 votes (not<br>elected)           | 4th / 4<br>candidates   |
| 2016 | Hindley: Wigan local election                       | Liberal<br>Democrats | Not elected (vote count not available) | Position not available  |
| 2015 | Makerfield: UK<br>Parliamentary general<br>election | Liberal<br>Democrats | 1,639 votes (not<br>elected)           | 4th / 5<br>candidates   |

Please note our local elections database only goes back to 2016

#### **Candidates**





Maria Holly Deery

Green Party



Simon Finkelstein

Conservative and Unionist Party



Robert F. Kenyon

Reform UK



Josh Simons

Labour Party



John Charles Skipworth

Liberal Democrats



#### **GMMV Recommendation**

We endorse the Lib Dem candidate, John Skipworth because:

- The very small Muslim electorate is not able to influence the outcome of the election, so the strategy is to reduce Labour's majority.
- The LibDem party has consistently called for a Ceasefire in Gaza. On the Party's local Twitter page (@WLM\_LibDems) / X it has posted about Layla Moran introducing a Bill to Parliament calling on the Government to recognise the state of Palestine.
- 3. John chairs the local LibDem party and has a strong history of standing for election.