

# Fighting Human Trafficking In Your Community

To mark EU anti-trafficking day local Lib Dem MEP Catherine Bearder has been travelling across the South East of England to raise awareness of the fact that Human Trafficking exists in our communities and can be tackled in our communities.

Catherine was invited to speak in Tunbridge Wells and Oxford as well as hosting an event with the Women Liberal Democrats in Reading.

The speakers included a recently retired senior police officer with experience of fighting trafficking on the front line and two women who later this year are rowing the Atlantic to raise money and awareness for human trafficking charities.

The goal of the event was to provide information and advice to local communities to allow them to set up their own "Communities Against Trafficking"

**Catherine** said: *"After hearing from our brilliant speakers about what can and needs to be done to fight trafficking I was so pleased that we were able to pull groups of people together with the common goal of tackling trafficking where they live.*

*"I'm already working with groups in Kent and Oxford and I know the great work they're doing so I look forward to providing any help I can in the setting up of more Communities Against Trafficking."*



Catherine and the Speakers  
At the Reading Event