

Personal and
Confidential.

16th March, 1981

Thank you for your letter of 16th March, letting me know your decision to leave the Conservative Party.

The policies which are being followed by the Government are those which were set out in our Manifesto, and approved by the British people on 3rd May, 1979.

There were policies which you supported at the time, and I regret that you no longer do so.

Christopher Brocklebank-Fowler, Esq., M.P.

FROM: CHRISTOPHER BROCKLEBANK-FOWLER, MP.



HOUSE OF COMMONS
LONDON SW1A 0AA

16th March, 1981.

URGENT, PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Dear Prime Minister,

You may recall my letter of the 12th February, 1975, in which I congratulated you on your victory in the election to the Party Leadership (despite not having voted for you) and in which I pledged my support to you in preparing to lead the party to victory at the next General Election.

During the last six years I have given you my support and have, by my 1979 Election victory in this constituency, become only the second MP this century to win this seat in four consecutive Elections and the first to do so with increased majorities on every occasion.

It is, therefore, with particular sadness that I now judge the Conservative Party I joined twenty years ago (with its commitment to the policies of one nation and the middle way) and the modern Conservative Party under your Leadership (with its commitment to monetarist policies which are nationally divisive) to be entirely different parties.

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For these reasons, I have decided to leave the Conservative Party and to resign the Parliamentary Whip after my speech in the House today in order that I may be free to display my own "guts and courage" to represent my constituents according to my philosophy and my promises made to them during the last Election Campaign in the same way as you have displayed your commitment to pursue the very different philosophy that you believe to be right.

Yours truly,
Christopher.

The Rt. Hon. Margaret Thatcher, MP,
Prime Minister.

c.c. The Rt. Hon. Michael Jopling, MP.

**For all
the People
Vote Conservative**



**Christopher Fowler
Conservative**

BROUWER BANK POWLER

Remember Labour's Record

MP

- Labour put Party interests before Britain's interests.
- Inflation has reached the highest rates ever.
- Under Labour prices are still rising.
- Labour has put up taxes for everyone.
- Nationalisation plans have destroyed the confidence of industry.
- Labour have put 2,500 extra people out of work in West Norfolk.
- Labour policies have made life difficult for small businesses.
- Labour have cut Defence spending and jeopardised our security.
- Labour have allowed crime to rise.
- Labour have cut the living standards of skilled people.
- Labour has played politics with the nation's schools.
- Labour are against choice and ownership, for example, they stop Council tenants buying their homes.
- Labour have undermined the efficiency of British agriculture and left agricultural workers amongst the lowest paid.
- Labour have encouraged people stay at home on Social Security benefits rather than going to work.
- A Labour majority would give the left wing extremists even more influence in the nation's Government.

Vote Conservative

A Conservative Government will —

- Put Britain first.
- Tackle inflation by cutting taxes and stabilizing prices.
- Encourage industry to invest and to expand.
- Tackle unemployment by helping small businesses to become profitable and to employ more people.
- Give a higher priority to national defence.
- Stand up for the law and strengthen the police.
- Restore incentives for skilled workers and those who carry responsibility at work.
- Raise standards in our schools and give parents more say in the education of their children.
- Give everyone the right to own their own home.
- Boost British agriculture and reward agricultural workers for their skill.
- Cut fraudulent claims for Social Security benefits and restore incentives to work.
- Help the old by reviewing pensions regularly.
- Work to restore freedom and choice of individuals.

Christopher Fowler Your Conservative Candidate

Christopher Brocklebank-Fowler, aged 45, is a Marketing and Advertising Consultant who, since the General Election June 1970 has been the Member of Parliament for King's Lynn until 1974 and subsequently for the new constituency of North West Norfolk. Married with three teenage children, he lives at Flitcham in the centre of the constituency.



have Anglia T.V. programmes restored to West Norfolk.

His background in Agriculture and industry are very helpful in representing this constituency in Parliamentary where he is known for his independent views and for saying what he thinks. He is a former Vice-Chairman of the Conservative Parliamentary Agriculture Committee and Chairman of the Horticultural Sub Committee. He has also been secretary of the Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs Committee.

Christopher Fowler was educated at the Perse School, Cambridge, has a diploma in Agriculture, and farmed for five years in East Anglia and Kenya. He is a member of the Communication, Advertising and Marketing Society and the Institute of Marketing.

Vice Chairman of the United Nations Parliamentary Group, Christopher Fowler is also the longest serving member of the House of Commons Select Committee on overseas development and a Governor of the Institute of Development Studies.

He served in submarines during his national service in the Royal Navy and was commissioned a Sub-Lieutenant RNVR. Christopher Fowler fought West Ham North in the 1964 General Election; he is a former Chairman of the Bow Group. Since entering Parliament in 1970, he has run several campaigns in the House of Commons in support of improved roads and better transport facilities in the constituency; sought to get a fair deal for agriculture and the farm worker; and played an active part in moves to bring about Electoral and Parliamentary reform. He fought hard to get compensation for victims of the flooding last year and is determined to win the fight to

He plays an active part in local affairs, consults regularly with a wide cross-section of people throughout West Norfolk, including the smallest villages, in order to be known to his constituents and to be able to represent their interests in Parliament. He is President of the King's Lynn and West Norfolk Wildfowlers' Association, the King's Lynn Players, and the King's Lynn Swimming Club. He is an honorary member of the King's Lynn Angling Association and a keen supporter of the King's Lynn Speedway Team.

For all the People Vote Conservative

Where to vote

An official Poll Card, indicating your Polling Station and your electoral number will be sent to you by the Returning Officer. Take it with you, but if you lose it you can still vote.

Central Committee Room

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