

CHALABRE

WITH YOU - FOR YOU

*Together, for a project that unites us,
a project that reflects who we are.*

Candidates list headed by **Jacques MAMET**.



On the evening of the previous municipal elections, I quoted Nelson Mandela

«I never lose. I either win or I learn.»

Almost six years have passed since my election to the municipal council and then as vice-president of the Communauté des Communes des Pyrénées Audoises (CCPA). Six years during which I have listened attentively, observed closely, and deepened my understanding of politics. **My commitment has allowed me to build a strong network** among local officials, neighboring communities, and institutional stakeholders, including the State, the Region, and the Departmental Council. This network remains essential to the functioning of a municipality.

Finally, **I have listened to Chalabre's residents**, through discussions and meetings, I have been able to gauge their expectations and strong desire to be informed and involved in the decisions of the mu-

nicipal team. I got to know our community and our village from a different perspective. Conversely, the residents of Chalabre appreciated my vision and my commitment to our village within the inter-municipal council (supporting businesses and associations, defending public services, seeking solutions to improve access to healthcare, etc.).

In all modesty, **I believe that I am capable of leading and managing our municipality effectively.** I am fully aware of the challenges and responsibilities involved, and of the need to commit myself wholeheartedly. **It is with ambition and firm resolve that I am therefore engaging in leading this collective project with the following team of candidates for the upcoming municipal elections in March 2026.**

Here are those who are courageously and determinedly joining me:

Muriel CUNILLERA-MARTY, Santiago MARTINEZ, Marie-Dominique MELLADO-RÖÖSLI, Fabrice BAURAIN-LEVI, Elodie RONCALLI, Pascal GARROS, Nina KLOTZ, Jean ANDUZE-ACHER, Justine GERARD, Benjamin JAMMET, Valérie SALVAT-SERIS, Johan RIVALS, Florence FERRAND, Quentin GERARD, Colette MOLINI-SALVAT, Michel BREMBILLA.

Behind «Chalabre, with You, for You», is a determined team made of women and men deeply attached to our village and driven by a shared desire to serve it. They offer you a vision for building Chalabre together! **Together we will co-create the future in a spirit of renewal and unity**, affirming the need to rekindle the sense of Chalabre identity, one shared by everyone, including, of course, newcomers. We are championing a project that unites us, a project that reflects who we are; **a project to strengthen social bonds, improve**

listening and communication, and guarantee the transparency that we place at the heart of our approach. Our goal is to preserve and enhance the quality of life in our community and strengthen its appeal. This is a shared commitment to improving the living environment of our fellow citizens through a social, supportive, and eco-responsible approach that puts people at the center of our concerns. To achieve this, **it is essential to ensure that the municipality is connected with its inhabitants.**

To inform, listen to, and involve the residents.

To serve without serving oneself.

Beyond «representative» democracy, which results in the establishment of a municipal council and the election of a mayor after the vote, we will propose a range of new practices (wider communication, council of el-

ders, youth council, public meetings, etc.) to **involve residents in the public life of our village.** This is a form of «participatory» democracy that empowers citizens by involving them in decision-making.

Trusting in collective intelligence for a shared mandate.

We are convinced that this method will improve the transparency of the work carried out by the municipal team, strengthen the social bonds and sense of belonging mentioned above. This approach legitimizes the actions undertaken and ultimately, allows for **the implementation of tailored local policies,**

since they are co-developed in close collaboration with residents.

To implement this project, it is essential, indeed indispensable, to have a thorough understanding of the village and its inhabitants, as well as the expectations and challenges facing the region in the years to come.

It is equally essential, indeed indispensable, that all the residents, voters and non voters, know who is to form the future municipal council. **I have assembled a team that aims to be inclusive and representa-**

tive of the diverse segments of our community. Through their commitment, they demonstrate their resolve to actively participate in shaping its future.

A new team and method for co-constructed projects.

Regarding some of the core projects, we will complete those currently underway or initiated by the current administration: finalizing the renovation of the bastide courtyards (Cours Colbert), renovating the gendarmerie (administrative building and perimeter security), developing the former lake area, and, a major concern for many of us, the renovation of St. Peter's Church.

Furthermore, we will continue the renovation of the water and sanitation networks to preserve and manage our resources as effectively as possible.

Financially, this will commit the municipality for a relatively long period and limit its ability to propose

new major projects, at least for the first half of the term. We will take responsibility for this legacy and pledge not to raise local taxes.

Subsequently, **all our projects will be examined according to two essential criteria : their relevance in relation to the expected added value to the quality of life and well-being of citizens; and their budgetary impact**, in relation to the municipality's financial capacity and available subsidies. For major projects, such as the development of the former lake site or the renovation of Rue du Capitaine Danjou, public input will be sought through public meetings organized beforehand.

The first of these will be access to healthcare, a priority for everyone.

We will do everything in our power to ensure that the **creation of a health center**, a project led and initiated by the inter-municipal council, is completed within a reasonable timeframe. This project is essential to **ensure a long-term medical presence** tailored to our community and to improve access to healthcare for our residents. Support for the project (renovation of the former headquarters of the Chalabrais

inter-municipal council) was approved at the council meeting on September 11th, and the grant application (from the department, region, Europe, and the national government) was submitted at the end of October. On this matter, we will be demanding partners of the CCPA (Communauté des Communes des Pyrénées Audoises).

On a daily basis,

Our team has no shortage of ideas and will propose smaller-scale projects that can be carried out at reasonable costs, some of which will be managed directly by our staff, but which will improve the daily lives of citizens.

Here are the avenues already identified:

implement combined communication tools to reach the entire population (*Illiwap* app, website, social media, digital information panels, municipal newsletter, etc.) – equip the council chamber and the abattoir hall with video projection equipment – improve the equipment in the abattoir hall – support shopkeepers, artisans, and all local economic stakeholders in general, and encourage the creation of an association of artisans and shopkeepers – set up community composting sites – improve facilities for cyclists at the train station and in the village (install a water tap outside the station for users of the *Voie Verte*) – develop the «garden path» leading to the stadium/campsite – consider new public restrooms (self-contained, accessible units) – once replaced, transform the current toilets located at the Mitterrand parking lot into a shared bicycle parking area for use by local accommodation providers – continue the

village "greening" and extended to outlying areas – upgrade the village entrances – improve signage to better identify and highlight our shops and services – enhance pedestrian safety (especially around shops) – propose mobility solutions – promote active transportation (providing bicycles to students at the end of elementary school with «learn to ride a bike» training) – utilize the recently installed video surveillance network to combat antisocial behavior and disturbances of the peace – improve parking and security around the stadium.

Finally, we will support the local associations, which are essential and deeply involved in the life of our village, particularly in cultural and sporting activities. We will also work on creating a youth center in partnership with the CCPA's «Children and Youth» department, similar to the one in Quillan.

We are ready to put our energy at the service of the community, for the common good.

In the coming weeks, **we will come to you to share our vision for Chalabre**; we will elaborate on our program, the projects we plan to undertake, and, of course, how we intend to achieve this shared goal. A public meeting will be organized before the elections.

CHALABRE, CAPITAL OF KERCORB, A PRIVILEGED LAND.

«Persistence is the path to success» Charlie CHAPLIN