

GREEN NEWS Portswood

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WORKING HARD ALL YEAR ROUND



Die-In at the Bargate

No Clean Air Zone – shame on our City

Southampton City Council were proposing to create a clean air zone, charging lorries, buses and taxis to enter the city. This proposal is expected to be thrown out by the Labour council. This means we will continue breathing polluted air. To highlight this many people demonstrated at the Bargate on Saturday 12th January – this was in memory of the 110 people who die prematurely from poor air each year in our city – many more struggle every day with breathing difficulties. I believe SCC should reconsider implementing a clean air zone – 56% of respondents to the clean air consultation were in favour - and not buckle under the pressure from businesses and politicians.

VOTE GREEN IN MAY

Did you know that cycling exposes us to the least pollution on our commute? It is also the best for our health so a WIN- WIN

Jack's Story

The recent decision to not implement a Clean Air Zone is bad news for people like Jack in Bitterne. He has Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD) and struggles to breathe when he comes into the city. The air quality in parts of the city is getting worse and little is being done to address this. Jack says, "you can't see it, you are breathing it all the time"

The Green Party has a set of policies to tackle this; stopping airport expansion, ensuring cruise liners plug in, expanding bus routes and building safe cycle routes in the city



Jack Lovatt of Bitterne

Recycling update for Portswood, Highfield and St Denys

We have lost the recycling bins at Westridge Road - this is due to the small business which was processing the "pots, tubs and trays" being unable to find an outlet for the product. Nationally, the refusal of China to import low grade recycling materials has caused problems. But the UK ought to be able to process its own waste! This would be easier if there was less of it in the first place. As citizens we could stop accepting plastics from shops and this would put the problem back to the shop. Plastics can be reformed into pellets and used for building and other purposes but this comes at a cost.

DID YOU KNOW? It is better to support local businesses as less money leaves the City. Some local businesses are Kate's Café, Crafty Fox and October Books

Health and Wellbeing Corner

Is there a street or area near you that needs a clean up?

Local volunteers, including Green Party members are here to help. Contact Katherine to discuss what needs doing.



Katherine at the October Books launch event in their new building

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