



Green Councillor Alasdair Keddie

PROGRESS ON ALASDAIR'S "CLEANER, SAFER STREETS" PLEDGE

CYRIL PARK AND ALLEYWAYS CLEARED OF LITTER AND FLY-TIPPING

As of April, Cyril Park and nearby alleyways were **completely clear** of litter and fly-tipping [pictured].

Hard-working local Green councillor Alasdair Keddie has frequently liaised with the BCP Cleansing Team, working to fix these issues, and graffiti, across the Wessex Way area. He also picks litter himself daily after his school run – totalling at least 50 bags in the past year.

Alasdair commented: "This is the baseline that we can **achieve as a community** – if we keep reporting and **do what we can** in our small areas."

• Report forms: <u>tiny.cc/bcpflytipping</u> tiny.cc/bcpgraffiti



Cyril Park and nearby alleyways, completely free of litter in April



Hands on! Cllr Alasdair Keddie has led from the front, making local streets cleaner

IT'S NOW MUCH EASIER TO Report drug crime activity

Alasdair Keddie successfully pushes for new, quicker report form

Local residents can now **report any suspected drugs-related activity** to Dorset Police much more **quickly and easily**.

Local Green councillor Alasdair Keddie is a member of the Dorset Police & Crime Panel. He successfully led a strand of work by the Panel on crime reporting, which led to agreement for Dorset Police to set up a new "intelligence portal" webform.

Alasdair commented: "I've been determined to see improvements to the reporting of non-emergency

crime. It was so cumbersome and **took such a long time** that **crime wasn't being reported.** This meant the police lacked up-to-date data on where the hotspots were. The **new streamlined system greatly improves crime reporting.**" • *Report form: dorset.police.uk/intelligence*



Alasdair is pleased to welcome **Joe Salmon** as the **Green Parliamentary candidate for Bournemouth East**. Joe lives, works and raises his family in the constituency and **has a deep understanding of the issues we face** as residents. As a **BCP councillor** for Moordown, he is **already working hard for the local community** and is passionately committed to **making Bournemouth a better place**. • *The Green Party doesn't receive support from big business – help Joe's people-powered campaign here:* <u>linktr.ee/helpjoe</u>



Joe Salmon
Alasdair with Joe, volunteering to clean up Bournemouth Gardens

ALASDAIR KEDDIE: WORKING HARD FOR QUEEN'S PARK & CHARMINSTER

Cllr Alasdair Keddie regularly meets our Neighbourhood Policing Team to discuss local crime and anti-social

behaviour

WESSEX WAY STREETLIGHTS FIXED AFTER PRESSURE FROM ALASDAIR

Life-expired streetlights on Wessex Way have been renewed, following concerted pressure from local councillor Alasdair Keddie. Their head units had reached the end of their life and needed full replacement [pictured], rather than a simple bulb change.

Alasdair said: "This stretch of the alleyway along Wessex Way has felt unsafe after dark, and has been a magnet for drug dealing and fly tipping. This should help towards reducing some of the problems."



Streetlights being renewed and fixed along Wessex Way

CLEANER, SAFER SCHOOL RUNS SOUGHT IN QUEEN'S PARK

Councillor Alasdair Keddie met with the Headteacher of Park School – an independent school situated in the heart of Queen's Park. As with most schools in the area, there are issues around school run congestion, parking and noise.



Alasdair and Mrs Dowler had a solutions-focused conversation covering:

- Creating a Community Engagement Officer role to improve relations with local residents.
- Developing a Travel Plan to set out the school's policies ٠ on travel and parking.
- Exploring ways to increase the number of pupils cycling, scooting and walking to school.



- Nursery latest victim of austerity cuts
- Alasdair Keddie makes thank-you visit
- Greens distribute surplus plants around community

After 100 years, King's Park Plant Nursery has permanently closed. BCP Council decided to axe the facility as part of £41m of further cuts to balance its books. Councils across the country are in dire financial straits, following 14 years of swingeing cuts to council funding by the Conservative Government.

Alasdair Keddie and fellow Green councillor Sara Armstrong (East Cliff & Springbourne) visited the nursery at the end to personally thank the staff and volunteers.



Visiting to say thank you

Alasdair commented: "There is no doubt that the nursery has made a huge contribution to the area over the years and will be sorely missed. It was an emotional visit and a sad end to an incredible local resource.

"We were able to **collect** some surplus plants and tree bark to distribute to community projects in the area. These include Queen's Park Infant Academy who will use them for their Forest School and peace garden.



Alasdair and Cllr Kate Salmon (Green, Moordown) drop off plants and tree bark at Queen's Park Infant Academy

"Plants will also be planted out in the beds by the roundabout on Queen's Park South Drive, to form a bee-friendly wildlife space managed by community volunteers."

CAN ALASDAIR HELP?

Councillor Alasdair Keddie says: "Thank you for electing me last year, as one of six Green councillors in Bournemouth. Whether you voted for me or not, please do get in touch regarding any local issues I might be able to help with." Drop-in surgeries: 3pm-4pm, third Wednesday of each month, at Queen's Park Family Hub, East Way, Charminster

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ALASDAIR KEDDIE: WORKING HARD AND KEEPING YOU INFORMED

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