

# GREEN VIEW

## MOORDOWN



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### LOCAL RESIDENTS SAY: CONCERN OVER FLY TIPPING, LITTER, STREET CLEANLINESS

- **Kate Salmon's survey reveals local concerns**
- **Kate reports residents' issues to BCP Council**

Since the spring, hard-working local campaigner **Kate Salmon** and a team of volunteers have been **out and about** almost every week **talking to Moordown residents**.

With her **60-second survey** [pictured], Kate has been asking you to **tell her what matters to you**, and what you would like to see more (or less) of **in our local area**.

**Close to half** of the **239 residents** who have completed the survey so far reported **concerns about fly tipping, litter and street cleanliness**.

Kate says: "I've **taken your concerns to BCP Council**, and **reported** several specific local **incidents of fly tipping**."



### LOCAL DOG FOULING: CURRENT RESPONSE ISN'T WORKING, ADMITS COUNCIL

**New measure being considered, BCP tell Kate**



**Kate Salmon says:**  
*"Love dogs... hate uncleared dog mess!"*

**BCP Council** have admitted that **"a more effective solution is required"** to **dog fouling** "than what we currently have".

**Local campaigner Kate Salmon** had written to BCP to **take up concerns** she was **hearing from local residents** about frequency of **dog mess** left on **Moordown's streets** [see issue 5]. **1 in 10** of Kate's **survey respondents** have mentioned this.

Kate says: "I asked about **enforcement of penalties**. The Council responded that they are currently **considering** introducing a **Public Spaces Protection Order**, to make it an **automatic offence** to **not clear up dog mess**."

### KATE TO LEAD LITTER PICK AT MOORDOWN REC — COME ALONG!

**Kate Salmon** will be leading a **friendly community litter pick** at **Moordown Recreation Ground**, on **Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> December**, from **10am until 11am**.

Kate says: **"Anyone with a green heart can join!** All equipment will be provided. Please let me know [contact details overleaf] if you'd like to come along."



### CHARMINSTER ROAD CROSSING CAMPAIGN: ECHO COVERAGE BOOSTS PETITION



The **Bournemouth Echo** covered **Kate Salmon's petition** for a **new crossing on Charminster Road**, for **safer walks to local schools**. Their report led to **more signatures**, taking the local total to **nearly 150**. Kate did a **second hand-in** [pictured].

**BCP Council** **undertook** to carry out an **initial assessment** by **this autumn** of the proposed crossing site. Kate is **pressing** for an **update**.

# COUNCIL BUDGET CRISIS: BCP LINES UP TAX RISES, FEE HIKES, SAVAGE CUTS, DE-STAFFING

- Council Tax rises now expected locally, as Conservative council forced to plead for bailout
- Desperate scrambling after BCP's "dodgy deal" to sell off beach huts struck down by Government
- Council prepares fire sale of assets, considers slashing services to legal minimum levels



**BCP Council** has been scrambling to **plug a £36m hole** in its **budget**. This follows the **Government blocking the ruling local Conservatives** from **selling off 3,605 beach huts**. It branded this BCP plan a **"dodgy deal"** putting **"taxpayer cash at risk"**. Government will put in **special extra oversight of debt-piling BCP Council** – as **BCP begs for a £76m bailout**.

The *Bournemouth Echo* reports it "looks almost certain" **BCP residents** will face a **Council Tax increase** in 2023/24, "as well as an **increase in fees and charges** for all services". As well as **sell-offs**, BCP Council is looking at **cutting services to legal minimum** levels. They hint **librarians, gardeners and youth workers** could be **replaced with volunteers**.

**Cllr Rigby** said: "BCP's **risky attempts** to cushion **12 years of brutal Conservative Government cuts** have **backfired**." • **More:** [tiny.cc/bcpbcb](https://tiny.cc/bcpbcb)

## NEWS IN BRIEF

### GREEN GETS BCP COUNCIL'S FAIRTRADE COMMITMENT RESTORED:

BCP Council has **unanimously passed** a motion to **commit to Fairtrade** principles. This was **proposed by Green Councillor Simon Bull**. The previous commitment by the former Bournemouth Council had lapsed on its merger into BCP in 2019.

• **More:** [tiny.cc/bcpft](https://tiny.cc/bcpft)



### GREEN HELPS SECURE TOUGH COUNCIL STANCE ON CLIMATE WITH BARCLAYS:

BCP councillors have **unanimously voted** to call on the Council's banking provider **Barclays Bank** to work to **protect BCP residents** – by **adopting climate policies** in keeping with the Paris Agreement. The call was **co-sponsored by Green Councillor Chris Rigby**. • **More:** [tiny.cc/bcpbb](https://tiny.cc/bcpbb)



## COST OF LIVING CRISIS:

### HELP FOR MOORDOWN RESIDENTS

Food price hikes, soaring energy bills, mortgage turbulence – the cost of living crisis is **hitting household finances hard**. Ordinary families are **facing stark choices** this winter, with **many people worried** about how they'll **afford the essentials** in the coming months.

Kate Salmon [pictured], a worker for an anti-poverty charity, says: "If you're **struggling with rising costs**, you can **call the Help Through Hardship Helpline** free on 0808 208 2138, and **speak to a trained Citizens Advice worker** for **personalised support** to address your money worries.



"They can help provide **support to maximise your income**, help you **navigate the benefits system**, and **identify any additional grants** you could be entitled to. If needed, they'll issue you a voucher for an **emergency food parcel from Bournemouth Foodbank**."

You can also **come and talk to Kate** about **any worries you have**, at her surgery [details below].

## CAN KATE HELP WITH LOCAL ISSUES?



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**Kate Salmon's regular surgeries for local residents:** Third Saturday of each month [except Dec], 10-11am, Moordown Community Centre café

Could you help Kate, by **delivering copies** of future issues of this newsletter to your own street? If so, please get in touch!

## KATE AND LOCAL GREENS: WORKING HARD AND MAKING A DIFFERENCE