

The #GreenSurge is here!

20,000 new members joined the Green Party in January 2015!

We are now the third largest UK wide political party with over 63,000 members!

A Party for the People, by the People

It takes money to stand for election, and the Green Party has become the first political party to fund itself with a national online crowdfunding campaign greenparty.org.uk - making us a political party working for the people that's funded by the people.

The Green Party is also growing fast here in Dorset. Our membership has more than tripled in the past year. Thanks to our successful local crowdfunding campaign, for the first time ever we are going to have candidates in each constituency in the county at this year's General Election.

More at: www.southeastdorset.



Winton East Green Party Meeting

Wondering what the Greens really stand for?

Come to our meeting on Sunday evening, 5th April, and find out! There will be an introduction for newcomers to the party, discussions on how we take things forward locally, and the different ways you can get involved. You will also get a chance to hear from and talk with the Green Party's parliamentary candidate for Bournemouth West, Elizabeth McManus, plus local council candidates for Winton East, Walkiria Bass and Simon Bull.

Date: 5th April 2015

Time: 19:00

Location: Buffalo Bar

23 Woodend Road

Winton

Bournemouth

BH9 2JQ

The Green Team

Natalie Bennett - Leader, Green Party

"Imagine a political system that puts the public first. Imagine an economy that gives everyone their fair share.

Imagine a society capable of supporting everyone's needs. Imagine a planet protected from the threat of climate change now and for the generations to come.

That's the future we want to create and we have the means to do it. Green Party membership is soaring.

More and more people are recognising that the politics of the future doesn't have to look like the politics of the past.

Vote Green on May 7th and you can help us build a society that works for the Common Good."

More at www.greenparty.org.uk

Molly Scott Cato - South West MEP

Last year local voters helped elect Molly Scott Cato as the first Green MEP for the South West.

Molly was previously a Professor of Economics at Roehampton University. She speaks for the Green Party on finance issues and has been leading the campaign against TTIP – secretive EU-US trade negotiations that would be lucrative for big business but not us. Molly also has expertise in renewable energy, trade, and food and farming.

More at www.mollymep.org.uk

Elizabeth McManus - Paliamentary Candidate-Bournemouth West

"Living, working and having grown up in Bournemouth, I take great pride in having such a naturally beautiful home town and I am very passionate about protecting it and the people who live here. If elected I would focus on Bournemouth

taking the lead with green initiatives and, as well as being the UK's best beach resort, become a leader in green tourism. Vote for me and vote for a fairer, greener and more prosperous future for everyone in our town."

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Walkiria Bass - Councillor Candidate - Winton East

"It is with great enthusiasm that I have joined the Green Party. It is my hope to use my skills and passion to make a positive contribution to this cause I wholeheartedly embrace."

Email: walkiria@greenparty.org.uk

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Simon Bull - Councillor Candidate - Winton East

"On issues such as fracking, the NHS and austerity the Green Party is the only party speaking for the people. I decided that I should follow my convictions, join the Green Party and, in addition, take part in promoting the party locally."

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The Green Party - Policies that matter to you

Vote for policies!

What if you voted for the policies that mattered to you instead of the personalities that represent the 'politics as usual' parties?

VoteForPolicies.org.uk is a site that lets you choose parties based on their actual plans. A short survey lets you choose the policies that you agree with most – without telling you whose they are - and then tells you which party's policies you've picked.

Over half a million surveys have been completed on this site, and the results show that the Green Party's policies are more popular than any other party with people up and down the country!

Try it for yourself, and see where your real affiliations lie. You might be surprised.

www.voteforpolicies.org.uk

All Aboard for a Public Railway

Are rail fares too costly?
Is it time to change track?
The Green Party made renationalisation of the railways policy as soon as they were privatised in the 90s. With the failure of privatisation clear, our policy now has public backing too.

We campaigned in a national day of action across Dorset, and Green MP Caroline Lucas' Railways Bill has had its second reading in Parliament.

She explains the logic of re-nationalisation: "Increasingly we're seeing different ways public ownership can deliver high-quality, cost-efficient services. The publicly owned East Coast Line, for example, delivered over £200m back to the taxpayer last year."

More at

www.carolinelucas.com

Frack Off

How do you feel about the current coalition government pushing through bills which would allow gas companies to drill fracking wells in the UK - including under our homes, near water supplies and in areas of natural beauty? Fracking operations in other countries clearly show this process is incredibly damaging not only for our environment but also for our health.

The Green Party would put an end to the fracking industry and instead invest in clean, green renewable energy.

More at

www. dangersoffracking. com

Green Party policies

To read about what the Green Party stands for, please visit - https://www.greenparty.org.uk/we-stand-for/

And for a full list of our policies -

policy.**greenparty**.org.uk/ philosophical-basis.html

Register!

If you haven't registered yet then please do – the deadline to register is 20th April 2015. It takes less than 5 minutes and is easy as pie – it can even help to improve your credit rating!

More at

www.gov.uk/register-to-vote