

GREEN VIEW

WINTON EAST

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**Green Councillor
Simon Bull**



**Green Councillor
Chris Rigby**

KEEPING WINTON SAFE AND SHIPSHAPE: WORK CONTINUES

Local councillors work with residents on drugs issues, participate in Pub Watch

Our area's hard-working Green Councillors Simon Bull and Chris Rigby are **working with Winton residents** to monitor and report **local drugs issues**, and with venues to tackle **local anti-social behaviour issues**.

Simon Bull said: "I'm continuing to hear from local residents about the **amount of drugs we're seeing** in Winton and the dealing that's going on. I talk to these residents and **gather as much information as possible**, which we **pass on to the neighbourhood police** at our meetings with them. Hopefully it helps the police to **take action**."

Meanwhile, Chris Rigby says: "I recently attended **Bournemouth North Pubwatch**, and they've invited me to all future meetings. It's nice to see a lot of the pubs working together to **tackle incidents**. Currently there are **fly-tipping issues** in service alleys."



Simon Bull and Chris Rigby are continuing to work hard to tackle anti-social behaviour in Winton

IT'S ALL HAPPENING AT WINTON REC

New wildflower area seeded, as park activities go from strength to strength

A **new area of wildflower** has been seeded at Winton Recreation Ground.

Wildflower allows the growth of nectar-rich plants, helping **support dwindling populations of insects** such as butterflies, moths and bees which **pollinate our food crops**. It can also provide food and nesting material for birds.

Green Councillor Simon Bull was one of the local residents who helped staff from The Parks Foundation sow the seeds. Simon said: "Hopefully this will **make the Rec even better**."

Simon added: "It's always good to see the **park café** and what's going on there. **Lots of different activities**, lots of things for people to join in and take part in. So why don't you have a look? And they also do a **range of food** there, so I heartily recommend popping down."



Councillor Simon Bull helped to sow seeds for the new wildflower area at Winton Rec

LOCAL COMMUNITY COMES TOGETHER TO CLEAN UP



Chris Rigby and Simon Bull joined the recent Acland Road community litter pick

Local Green Councillors Simon Bull and Chris Rigby joined a **litter pick** with residents from the **Acland Road Community Support group**. They went on to tackle **Brownen Road, Frampton Road** and a bit of **Markham Road** too!

Chris Rigby said: "The residents have been doing this regularly since first lockdown, and the street is **looking very tidy**. It was good to join in and **listen to some issues local to the street** and see what Cllr Bull and I can do to help. If any other Winton streets are doing something similar, **let me know** and I'll pop along to **help out and listen to any issues** your street may have."

NEWS IN BRIEF

VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITIES AT WINTON'S EXCELLENT COMMUNITY SHED:

Councillor Simon Bull says: "Recently at Winton Rec I met with Tess and the people at **The Winton Community Shed**. They were busy **making bug hotels for the play gardens**, and work surfaces for the shed while I was there.

"They currently **meet on Wednesdays**, from 2-4pm. **If you fancy joining them** email winton.shed@gmail.com, or just turn up. They would also **appreciate donations** of tools, equipment and materials (check with Tess!)."



NEW ON-CAMPUS STUDENT HALLS OPENED AT ARTS UNIVERSITY

BOURNEMOUTH: Local Green Councillor Simon Bull attended the opening of Arts University Bournemouth's new **on-campus student halls** on 9th September.

Simon commented: "They're four-storey blocks with single rooms, accessible rooms and some self-contained flats. It's all looking very nice.

"I'm **not sure they are big enough to make much difference to the number of student houses in Winton though!**"



CAN WE HELP?

Surgeries at Winton Library on the second Saturday of every month, 10.00am–11.30am.



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SIMON & CHRIS: MAKING A DIFFERENCE LOCALLY AND KEEPING YOU INFORMED

BCP COUNCIL SPENDING PRIORITIES: MIXED NEWS

- ✗ **£90k of our cash splashed on two new mayoral cars**
- ✗ **£50k wasted on dangerous, unrealistic Freeport bid**
- ✓ **BCP climate team to be expanded**

This summer BCP Council's Conservative Cabinet waved through proposals to **spend £90,000 of public money on two new cars for its mayors**.

This follows **£50,000** being spent by the Council preparing a **failed bid for Freeport status** for BCP – despite warnings that **Freeports benefit only a wealthy few** while breeding **corruption, tax evasion and criminal activity**. Green Councillor Chris Rigby said: "Many of the other port towns bidding for Freeport status persuaded private sector partners to cover bid costs, but **BCP Council didn't bother so local taxpayers footed the £50k bill**."

Professor Molly Scott Cato, national Green Party spokesperson for economics, said: "BCP was **highly unlikely to succeed** against ports like Holyhead and Immingham. If this is about tax avoidance, you **don't want it in Dorset**."

In **good news**, **BCP's climate team** is said to be **expanding** from two staff to eight. This follows **press, social media and Council Chamber pressure from local Greens** and other campaigners for **faster local climate action**. Chris Rigby said: "We welcome this as a **great step** in responding to the **Climate & Ecological Emergency**. We'll be looking for confirmation in the next budget."

DISMAY AS DORSET'S NEW POLICE & CRIME COMMISSIONER SCRAPS PUBLIC SCRUTINY PANELS

Dorset's newly elected Police & Crime Commissioner (PCC), the **Conservative David Sidwick**, has **not reinstated the public scrutiny panels** set up by his independent predecessor. These panels helped **hold Dorset Police to account** over their **use of force, of stop and search, and their customer service**.

Black people are 25 times more likely to be stopped and searched in Dorset than white people, a 2020 report found.

Baroness Jenny Jones, Green member of the House of Lords, described the scrapping as "clearly a **very poor decision**" and "a **bad choice for Dorset**".

Disagree with the decision? Email David Sidwick: pcc@dorset.pnn.police.uk

DORSET PCC ELECTION RESULT 6th May 2021

David Sidwick	64,071	42.5%
Dan Hardy	31,112	20.6%
Claire Seymour	21,283	14.1%
Mark Robson	17,837	11.8%
Patrick Canavan	16,379	10.9%

Second round run-off

David Sidwick	70,353
Dan Hardy	43,427