



# GREEN VIEW

## WINTON EAST

INCLUDING  
CHARMINSTER  
BORDERS

Green Councillor  
**Simon Bull**



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**Chris Rigby**

## WINTON'S CHRISTMAS LIGHTS RETURNED IN 2024 – AFTER COMMUNITY CAMPAIGN

**Local businessman's fundraising effort  
helped by Councillor Chris Rigby**

In 2023, Winton's Christmas lights were cancelled, and BCP Council decided not to provide them any more.

Thanks to the fundraising efforts of Karl Payne, director of The Forge Garage in Winton, hard-working local Green councillor Chris Rigby was able to work with him and BCP Council to get them back in place for 2024.

Chris said: "Since the cuts last year and the ongoing budget problems, I know BCP Council will be unable to fund them again in the near future, so being able to support a local business with this community initiative is a pleasure.

"I hope we can build from here and make the display even better next year. This is the very definition of community action. Karl deserves a lot of praise for his work on this."



**Back after  
the axe:  
Chris Rigby  
helped Karl  
Payne's  
campaign  
to restore  
Winton's  
Xmas lights**

## WINTON LIBRARY GARDENS NOW FULLY REOPEN

- **Volunteers cut ribbon in ceremony**
- **Culmination of years of work by Simon Bull and Chris Rigby**

The back section of Winton Library Gardens, closed for many years following anti-social behaviour issues, finally reopened with a celebratory ceremony last July.



**Reopening ceremony:  
Attended by local  
councillors Simon Bull  
and Chris Rigby, plus  
BCP Council's Chair**



Chris Rigby commented: "We've come a long way in the last five years: first working to get the top part of the gardens open, then partnering with BH9 Business Community and volunteers to tidy up and replant the sunken garden.

"We directed £15,000 of CIL funding to create the viewing platform. And now finally we've had this proper reopening celebration, welcoming everyone to enjoy this beautiful urban green spot in Winton."

## DANGEROUS HOLES ON ACLAND ROAD: WESSEX WATER RESOLVE UNFIT SEWER LINING

Alarming holes appeared in recent months on Acland Road in Winton. The cause was weaknesses in Wessex Water's sewer lateral under the road. BCP Council undertook emergency road repairs as short-term resolution. Wessex Water also had to close the road to fix a collapse in the sewer caused by their jetting work to remove a blockage.

Following pressure from the Council, Wessex Water installed new lining to internal pipework in the sewer under Acland Road, from the top of the hill to Charminster Road. Councillor Simon Bull was in touch with Council staff about the problems. As he understands it, Wessex Water's remedial work should make further holes unlikely.



**Acland Road: BCP Council  
pressed Wessex Water  
into action, to stop holes  
like this one recurring**

**SIMON BULL & CHRIS RIGBY: WORKING WITH PEOPLE AND GETTING THINGS DONE**

## ST LUKE'S SCHOOL SEEKS LESS TRAFFIC AND SAFER JOURNEYS

### Chris Rigby working with new Head

Now **St Luke's School** has a new permanent Headteacher, local councillor **Chris Rigby** is once again helping the development of a **school travel plan**. Chris has been speaking to Mr Godfrey, and they are working with BCP's Sustainable Travel team. The first aim is to find ways to **reduce the traffic congestion around the school** at dropoff/pickup times.



Chris added: "Once that's done, we can look at other schemes to assist the school, and try to **make it safer for the kids getting there** in the mornings."

## NEWS IN BRIEF

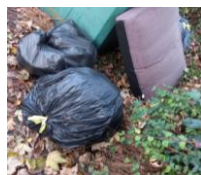
### CHRIS RIGBY ACTS ON VEHICLE STRIKES ON MUSCLIFFE ROAD:

Following **numerous complaints** from residents of Muscliffe Road of **cars getting hit by other vehicles**, Cllr **Chris Rigby** arranged for BCP Council to insert a **stretch of single yellow line**. As far as Chris can tell, this appears to have **alleviated the problem**.

### CHARMINSTER ROAD IMPROVEMENTS:

**Bins are being replaced on Charminster Road**, including its stretch bordering Winton, with money from the UK Shared Prosperity Fund. **Disused planter stands are also being removed and pavement reinstated**, including at the corner with Hankinson Road.

## WORK ONGOING TO TACKLE INCREASE IN FLY-TIPPING



There has been a **resurgence of fly-tipping incidents** recently in Winton, especially at the usual hotspots of **Maxwell Road, Latimer Road, and the Wimborne Road car park** behind Wetherspoons and adjacent shops.

Local councillors **Simon Bull and Chris Rigby** are working to tackle it.

● **Report fly-tipping incidents:** [tiny.cc/bcpflytipping](https://tiny.cc/bcpflytipping)

## BCP COUNCIL UNANIMOUSLY PASSES GREEN MOTION TO SUPPORT CLIMATE & NATURE BILL

### Councillors renew commitment to tackling climate change and nature depletion, locally and nationally



*It was **Simon Bull and Chris Rigby** who first declared **Climate & Ecological Emergency** in **BCP**, in 2019*



***Bournemouth's six Green councillors***

BCP Council has unanimously passed a Green Party motion, co-sponsored by Group Leader **Chris Rigby**, to publicly support the **Climate & Nature Bill** being put before Parliament. The Bill represents the **most up-to-date and science-led thinking** on how the UK should tackle the twin crises of **climate change and biodiversity loss**.

The motion also **committed BCP Council** to **strengthen its own efforts at a local level** to **reduce greenhouse gas emissions**, and **restore the natural world** for the benefit of everyone in our towns.

**Chris Rigby** commented: "I'm really keen to see the Council **renewing its commitment** to **tackling climate change and nature depletion**. We'll be closely monitoring the response of the administration." ● **Take action in support of the Climate & Nature Bill:** [action.zerohour.uk](https://action.zerohour.uk)

## HAPPY NEW YEAR! CAN WE HELP?

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