



# GREEN VIEW

## WINTON EAST

INCLUDING  
CHARMINSTER  
BORDERS

Green Councillor  
**Simon Bull**



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**Chris Rigby**

## MORE IMPROVEMENTS SECURED FOR TWO LOCAL PARKS

- **Winton Library Gardens dividing fence removed**
- **New community infoboard coming to Fampoux Gardens**

**Hard-working** local Green councillors **Simon Bull** and **Chris Rigby** arranged for the **fence between the upper and lower sections of Winton Library Gardens** to be **removed**. This follows **last year's re-opening** of the **lower section** of the Gardens [see previous issue] after years of work by Simon and Chris.

Meanwhile, a **new community information board** is **on the way** to **Fampoux Gardens** between Green Road and Firbank Road.

These improvements are being funded from **money allocated to our area** by **BCP Council's Ward Improvement Fund**.

Simon Bull commented: "**Green spaces are so important** for mental health, for play, for relaxation. **Residents** tell me **how much they value** each one in our area. It's **our duty as councillors** to continue to **make sure the Council looks after them**."



The **dividing fence is gone** at **Winton Library Gardens**



**Fampoux Gardens: This damaged old infoboard will soon be replaced**

## ST ALBAN'S CHURCH COMMUNITY ROOM TO BE REDECORATED



**Treasure**, a **community group** who work to **support local victims of domestic abuse**, have **secured funding from BCP Council's Ward Improvement Fund**. They were **supported** in this by local Green councillors **Simon Bull** and **Chris Rigby**. This grant will be used to **redecorate the community room** they use at **St Alban's Church** on Linwood Road. It will **also benefit other users** of that space.

## MORE TREE COVER ON WAY IN OUR AREA

### Over £21,000 secured for more street trees

Winton East currently has **the lowest level of tree canopy cover** – high branches offering shade – of **any area in our conurbation**.

**Simon Bull** and **Chris Rigby** have **secured over £21,000**, mostly Community Infrastructure funds [levied from developers], for **more street trees in Winton**. Winton will be the **first beneficiary** of **BCP Council's forthcoming Urban Forest Strategy**.



## SAD FAREWELLS TO BENNETTS AND STURTONS & TAPPERS

**Bennetts Family Bakers** has **closed** after more than 70 years. **Sturtons & Tappers Furnishings** is also **closing** after nearly 120 years.

Chris Rigby said: "We're **sad** to see these **popular indie shops** leave Wimborne Road. We **wish the owners**, David Bennett and David & Pauline Scott, **well** for their retirements."

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

# COUNCILLORS WORKING WITH NEW NEIGHBOURHOOD POLICE INSPECTOR

Cllrs Bull and Rigby discussing anti-social behaviour, drug dealing, nuisance motorbikes



**Simon and Chris are in frequent touch with neighbourhood police**



Bournemouth North **Neighbourhood Inspector** Richard Honeywill has **retired**. He has been **replaced** by **Inspector Scott Janes**.

Hard-working local Green councillors **Simon Bull and Chris Rigby** have **already held two meetings** with Insp Janes. They have **discussed** the current hot local topics of **anti-social behaviour, drug dealing, and nuisance electric motorbikes** – particularly all around **Wimborne Road**.

## REPORTS OF PLAN TO REOPEN WINTON HEALTH CENTRE

**Banks Medical Centre still open, after closure threat**

Green Councillor **Simon Bull** has raised concerns about **closures of local medical centres, forcing residents** in our area **to travel further to see a GP** [see issue 23].

Now the *Bournemouth Daily Echo* reports that **Winton Health Centre** on **Alma Road**, where over 10,000 patients had been registered, **may reopen by next year with new NHS funding**.

Meanwhile, the **proposed closure** of **Banks Medical Centre** on **Wimborne Road**, with **transfer of patient registrations** to a site in **Bearwood**, has not taken place (at the time of going to press).

Simon said: “**Cllr Rigby and I continue to monitor the adequacy of local residents’ access to nearby GP services**. We would **welcome contact** from residents.”



**Banks Medical Centre: Still open, after closure threat – while Winton Health Centre may reopen**

## “NEVER AGAIN”, SAYS SIMON BULL AT VE DAY CEREMONY



**Cllr Simon Bull speaking at BCP’s VE Day Beacon Lighting Ceremony**

A **Beacon Lighting Ceremony** took place on the **80<sup>th</sup> anniversary of VE Day**, at **BCP Civic Centre**.

**Simon Bull spoke:** “**Imagine a world without victory in Europe – a world where tyranny triumphed, where darkness endured. [It] could have been ours – if not for the courage, the sacrifice, unbreakable resolve of those who stood against it. We remember them: those who fought, those who fell. Those who carried unbearable loss... They paid the price of our freedom.**

“**They came from every corner of the world, from every walk of life. From every faith, and none. Their strength was... in their unity across difference. That unity won the war.**

“**That unity must guide us still... We owe them more than remembrance. We owe them vigilance. We must stand against those who seek to divide, deceive and dominate. Their tools may be different today, but their aims are not. In honour of the fallen, and in defence of the future, we must say clearly: never again.**”

## CAN WE HELP?

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