

GREEN NEWS

ST DAVID'S, WINTER 2022



CLLR DIANA MOORE



CLLR AMY SPARLING



CLLR TESS READ

HELP PLANT A WOODLAND IN NEW HAVEN FIELD!

We are excited to let you know that thanks to your Green Councillors and Devon Wildlife Trust, Exeter is getting a new woodland! You are invited to join us to plant the new trees.

As new housing developments in the area will place great pressure on green spaces, this new woodland is even more vital.

Labour's plans for the land between the river and the ship canal were unclear and so Cllr Diana Moore worked hard to protect this. Devon Wildlife Trust and the Council then designed and funded this woodland.


Cllr Diana Moore said:

"I am so pleased that this field by the canal will be planted with 450 native and fruit trees for everyone to enjoy and will create new wildlife habitats for future generations. Why not join us and be a part of its planting?"



Join Diana, Amy & Tess to plant the new woodland

Book Your Slot

Book your planting slot with Devon Wildlife Trust 
Or call Diana on 07903 932214

Tuesday 13th December

🕒 10am - 12pm
www.bit.ly/tree_plant_AM
🕒 1pm - 3pm
www.bit.ly/tree_plant_PM

MAKE EVERY VOTE COUNT IN EXETER



Your Green Councillors want your vote to matter.

Cllr Amy Sparling said:

"In May's local elections, Exeter Labour won 71% of the available seats with just 46% of the votes. Fair votes must be for everyone, no matter what level of Government is being elected."

Green Councillors welcomed Exeter City Council's backing of a Progressive Group motion for Proportional Representation (PR) for General Elections.

But the debate exposed double standards by Exeter Labour who refused to support the same rights for people in local elections.

Green Councillor, Carol Bennett, put forward the motion and said *"With the Country coping with an economic and democratic crisis, reform of the voting system has never been more urgent."*

COMMUNITY LINKS

Foodbank Support

If you need foodbank support, please don't be afraid to contact the Council for a voucher.

☎ 01392 277888

Like to make a donation? The Foodbank is gratefully accepting donations at most supermarkets.

Ward Grants

Do you run a community project, local festival, or a craft group that benefits the residents of St David's? You can apply for a Ward Grant of up to £350!

See www.bit.ly/ECCWardGrant or contact your Councillors for more info.

DEVELOPER WINS PLANNING APPEAL

St David's Councillors are hugely disappointed that a Planning Inspector has allowed the age-restricted development to go ahead without an affordable housing contribution or sorting out important access issues.



Tess & Amy supported residents' concerns

Amy worked with residents campaigning against the development's entrance onto Weirfield Road and raised their concerns at the Planning Committee meeting.

She said "Residents ran a great campaign raising serious concerns over this dangerous and unsuitable entrance off a small and quiet residential road."

Tess, who spoke at the Planning Inquiry, said:

"It's shocking the developer won't have to pay for any affordable housing and only has to pay a one-off contribution of £27,000 towards GP surgeries which won't even pay for half a doctor. The planning system has really failed. Ten years ago, Labour said that 35% of all new homes must be affordable, but Exeter has only seen 23% provided over the last decade."

PLANNING POSSIBILITIES FOR HAVEN BANKS

Your Councillors joined local Community Groups and Exeter Civic Society to produce a "prospectus" for the Haven Banks / Water Lane area.

The idea is to help protect what is special about the area ahead of major developments in coming years.

The Civic Society, community organisations and Green Councillors met with planners to present these proposals.

A planning consultant has been appointed by the Council to develop "planning principles" for the area.

Cllr Diana Moore said:

"It is vital that the community shapes future planning proposals for the whole area. It is really good that residents and local organisations are getting together to discuss the future and set out their expectations."

See the prospectus here: www.exetercivicsociety.org.uk/our-city/wider-water-lane-area-redevelopment/
Contact the new Haven Banks Residents' Association to get involved: HavenBanksNA@gmail.com
Or contact your Councillors for more information.



Diana, Tess & Amy are helping the community shape plans for the Haven Banks area and connecting them with City planners.

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