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Introducing your local Green Party candidate for May 2018 elections – Katherine Barbour

Many of you will have seen Katherine around the neighbourhood getting involved with local activities including:

- organising the Portswood Community Festival in May 2017
- cooking at St Denys lunch club
- co-leading Denys Friendlies
- leading historical walks around the area sharing her knowledge of the Priory, Riverside Park and St Denys Church
- taking part in the Park Run on the common
- belonging to Highfield Residents Association, the Southampton Common Forum and Southampton Cycling Campaign

Katherine works as an NHS programme manager involved in projects on healthy ageing and dementia.

Katherine says "I want to help change how Southampton City Council makes decisions. The council needs people willing to put local needs before politics."



Katherine hopes to canvass and meet as many of you as possible but if you are interested in getting involved with the campaign or have any other issues you would like her to take up please contact her on <u>katherine4green@gmail.com</u> 07763 863360 Follow us on Twitter @sotongreenparty

Some people may tell you the Green Party cannot win in this area – this of course is not true – Greens are getting elected all across the country in local elections Let's get some green representation on Southampton Council

Green Party priorities in Portswood and St Denys

- Protect services for children, elderly and vulnerable people
- · Improve recycling reintroduce free green waste collection
- · Reverse cuts to libraries and library staff
- · Make roads safer and improve public transport

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Southampton is a great city, full of potential and with a diverse population. It has a wonderful location on the south coast and a rich maritime heritage. We in the Green Party are proud of our city and its people. Austerity challenges many of the services and institutions we hold dear. At a local level the learning disability respite unit at Kentish Road at risk of closure due to cuts in adult social care budget.

In the Green Party we have an economic, social and environmental vision wholly distinct from the "business as usual" parties.

Imagine a world of efficient and welcoming public services, co-ordinated action on climate change, equality and worker's rights. Imagine an economy that works for people and planet at a human scale and real care for the future. Imagine a world in which we protect the planet, its land and oceans, and the plants, animals and people that live on it. Imagine a world of security for all, of social security as opportunity for all, lives lived more locally, with services close to where people need them and connected by affordable energy-efficient public transport.

Traffic issues in St Denys

Later this month local Green Party members will deliver to the council a petition calling for action on traffic problems in Priory Road.

In Kent Road residents have formed an action group. Many residents report problems with speeding vehicles, blocked pavements, houses shaking or vibrating due to HGVs, and noise. Some properties are being damaged. Katherine and Adrian Ford of the Liberal Democrats are working with local residents Becky and Stu to put pressure on the council and tenants of Kent Road Industrial Estate to find solutions.



HGV traffic, Kent Road

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