

Green View



News and Views from Wyre Forest Green Party

"Trust Vicky with the things that matter."



Can Vicky Lea help you with a problem connected to your local area?

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"SOMETHING NEEDS TO BE DONE!" SUTTON ROAD TRAFFIC CONCERNS

Local campaigner Vicky Lea has raised the issue of child safety along Sutton Road, Kidderminster, by supporting residents who are worried about the council's failure to tackle its problem traffic.

Working with the **Green Party campaign team**, she surveyed residents to measure the extent of people's concerns. Analysis of the results highlighted the need for an extra signal controlled crossing at the Brinton Park end, for a 20mph speed limit to be introduced and for the weight limit, to stop larger goods vehicles from using the road as a shortcut, to be enforced. She is interested in these results because lowering residential speed limits to 20 mph has been found to decrease child pedestrian accidents by up to 70%

Vicky said, "The council's attempts to solve these problems have come to a dead-end. 89% of people we talked to said that Sutton Road should be a 20mph zone to make it safer for everyone, especially young children crossing the road on their way to the park."

45% of those surveyed also described the air quality as poor. One of Vicky's priorities is to campaign for improvements to our air quality throughout Wyre Forest.



Are you concerned about traffic problems on your street?
Contact Vicky to find out how you could campaign for safer roads and help to reduce pollution.



Natalie and Vicky Lea are both well-respected and trustworthy campaigners. Their hard work over the years is well known to many local people.

GOODBYE TO NATALIE McVEY

Before Christmas, Wyre Forest Green Party said goodbye to local candidate, Natalie McVey. Due to personal circumstances, she has relocated to another area, but is still very active around the West Midlands. We are sure that she will work just as hard for her new neighbours as she did for us here in **Wyre Forest**.

Natalie said, 'I have enjoyed helping local residents with the issues that matter to them, and want to thank all of those people who put their trust in me. Although, I am now looking to pastures new, I will always remember this area as being a very special place. I know that I am leaving you in good hands.'

Local campaigner, **Vicky Lea**, who has been working closely with Natalie over the last few years, has agreed to lead your local Green Party campaigns team.

Working for Wyre Forest all year round

Vicky's campaigns



LOCAL CAMPAIGNERS CALL FOR CHANCE TO BUILD A BETTER EUROPE

Wyre Forest Greens believe that Britain should remain a part of the EU and we are urging local people to use their vote in the referendum on Thursday 23 June.

Local Green Party activist, Doug Hine says, *'In a fast-changing world we need international rules to control big business and finance, and to ensure that people's rights are protected - at work and as consumers.'*

Whilst another member, Martin Layton, thinks that, *'The EU helps us look after our environment too. It's only by working with our European neighbours that we can tackle climate change, protect Wyre Forest's wildlife and reduce pollution across the region. I strongly believe that we can flourish when we work together on the shared challenges we face.'*

We know that the EU isn't perfect, but we know that Westminster isn't either. We want the EU to be more democratic, and accountable to ordinary voters like us.

"To make Europe better for everyone we need to stay in and reform it," Vicky said.



On June 23rd every one of us has an equal vote in the EU referendum, and an equal chance to have a say in the future of our country.

GET INVOLVED

If you want to help Vicky build a Green future for Bewdley, Kidderminster and Stourport she'd love to hear from you.

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CASH STARVED NHS NEEDS INVESTMENT

Vicky Lea praises the quality of nursing care in the soon to be closed GP unit, but asks why residents are being asked to take part in the destruction of our local health service.

The group responsible for planning and buying medical care in the area does not have enough money to continue with the services they currently provide and they are now looking to cut what they consider to be non-essential services. Their public consultation is asking local people where they want the axe to fall.

Vicky said, *"It is sickening that the NHS is not properly funded. For the last few years there has been no real increase in spending on the NHS despite increasing demand. If this goes on our health service will continue to decline until only the better off will be able to afford decent health care."*

This round of yet more cuts will have a serious impact on local residents. It is clearer now than ever that spending needs to increase, and that this investment should be funded from general taxation.



Vicky said, *'It is clearer now than ever that British people want to see the end of the politics of greed that has no problem with trashing the planet and has little thought for the future.'*

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