

Malcolm Wallace
WORKING HARD FOR YOU

MEON VALLEY GREEN PARTY

GREEN NEWS

DROXFORD, HAMBLEDON, SOBERTON, SWANMORE, WALTHAM CHASE

COMMUNITY ACTION SLOWS FIVE OAKS FARM QUARRY PLANS APPLICATION HITS A HURDLE

So far, more than 2,000 have signed a local petition **opposing the increase in HGV traffic** and hundreds of objections have been submitted to the Council.

As a result of community action, the application for a quarry near **Waltham Chase Primary School** has been

challenged. The applicants need to provide more information about the project's environmental impact by the end of January.

Malcolm says: "**This quarry is not needed and not wanted.** It's time to draw a line under this ill thought-out project."



Malcolm supporting the campaign to stop Five Oaks Farm Quarry

You can still sign the petition:
<http://chng.it/5CtSfrYcF>

A NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION - WHY NOT GO PLASTIC FREE? BRING YOUR OWN JARS & FILL UP WITHOUT THE EXTRA WASTE



Malcolm offering his support to local sustainable businesses

All Good Things (Wickham, moving to Fareham in 2021) has been serving up packaging-free & zero waste alternatives in the **Meon Valley** for 2 years. The business has **saved over 1 tonne** of plastic waste in the past year alone – the equivalent of 120,000 carrier bags!

Westlands Farm Shop launched its range of packaging-free refillable items such as cleaning products, frozen fruit & veg and dried goods

in October. Many products are locally sourced and there is even a fresh milk vending machine with daily fresh milk from Lodge Farm in Southwick.

Green Campaigner Malcolm stated: "These eco-friendly shops are great examples of how we can **reduce our use of plastic and reduce our carbon footprint, whilst enjoying fantastic local produce.**"

MEON GREENS - WORKING WITH THE LOCAL COMMUNITY

A DECADE OF IMPROVEMENTS TO THE RIVER MEON

WILDLIFE FACING A BRIGHTER FUTURE

Since it started 10 years ago, the Meon Valley Partnership has:

- Re-introduced water voles
- Helped otters to return by working with landowners to improve water quality
- Improved the river's biodiversity by restoring natural features

- Created places for fish and insects to hide from predators

Our environment is a topic that Malcolm cares deeply about: **“Thanks to the efforts of local wildlife organisations and volunteers, life is returning in ever-increasing numbers to the Meon River.”**



Water voles were locally extinct in 2008, but have now returned to 30 locations along the river; they have to eat 80% of their body weight a day to survive!

‘TIS THE SEASON TO RECYCLE

THE UK PRODUCES AROUND 30% MORE RUBBISH DURING THE HOLIDAY SEASON



Malcolm highlighting awareness of Christmas recycling

Note: This newsletter is printed on recycled paper and can be recycled in your green recycling bin!

Many items are mistakenly put in the recycling bin costing the Council money to remove. Items that should **NOT** go in your recycling bin include:

1. Plastic chocolate boxes, tubs, pots, trays, polystyrene. The only plastic wanted is plastic bottles.
2. Wrapping paper because it is often mixed paper and plastic
3. Tin foil and mince pie foil case (these can be recycled at your

local recycling centre)

4. Clothes and toys, which can be given to charity
5. Electrical items can be ‘freecycled’ or taken to your local household recycling centre where they are dismantled and recycled
6. Batteries because they contain chemicals and valuable materials so should be recycled at participating shops

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