

MEON VALLEY GREEN NEWS



Newly elected Cllr Danny Lee with Cllr Malcolm Wallace, along with Green Party candidates and supporters

DANNY LEE IS YOUR SECOND GREEN COUNCILLOR

A massive THANK YOU from Danny and the hard working campaign team

Meon Valley repeated support for going greener faster by electing Danny Lee as their second Green Councillor in May's Council elections. Danny joins Winchester's first Green Councillor, Malcolm Wallace, whose win in 2022 was a landslide. Danny did even better, winning 63% of Central Meon Valley votes – a record high for the Ward and a lead of more than 1200 votes over his nearest rival.

Danny says "Thanks to all in Central Meon who voted for me. Be assured that as well as the goals of a safer, fairer and greener community my aim is, with Malcolm, to listen to your concerns and work hard to overcome obstacles that hold back progress. "Malcolm led the way when he initiated motions protecting our environment, especially our rivers; heading off new extraction of fossil fuels and

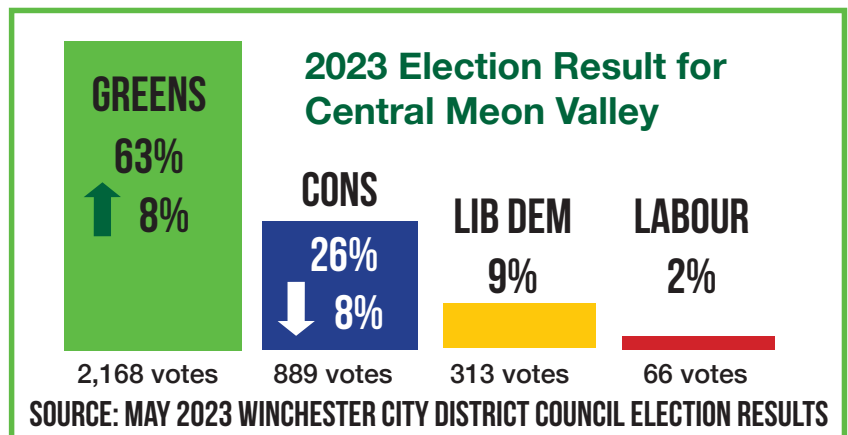


Malcolm & Danny celebrate outstanding election win

reducing poorly planned over-development in our unique Ward."

"TWO GREEN COUNCILLORS MEANS MORE POSITIVE ACTION" SAYS CLLR DANNY

Green councillors are making a positive difference and support for Green values is growing throughout Winchester District where, in May, Green candidates stood in all 16 vacant seats. Green candidate Polly Perry more than doubled support in Upper Meon Valley and votes for Green councillors across Hampshire resulted in an impressive total of 10 Councillors in 6 local authorities. 18 months ago there were zero!



Even bigger news is the record number of council seats won by Greens across the country – a net increase of 206 councillors, taking

the total seats to 744 on 166 councils and for the first time taking majority control of a local council - Mid Suffolk. It's clear what voters want!

DANNY & MALCOLM LAUNCH GREEN GROUP: LET'S GET THINGS DONE!



Danny and Malcolm have set up a **Green Group** in Winchester City Council within days of Danny's election, to encourage cross-party cooperation with focus on:

- ✓ Protecting our local environment
- ✓ Improving active travel opportunities – encouraging safer roads and improved public transport
- ✓ Increasing recycling with less waste
- ✓ Championing community energy and energy efficiency
- ✓ Speaking up for local businesses and local sourcing
- ✓ Standing up for the vulnerable and their carers
- ✓ Influencing the Local Plan to promote more sustainable construction, especially affordable housing!

POLLY PERRY THANKS UPPER MEON VALLEY FOR JUMP IN GREEN VOTES



Green Polly says: "I was so happy with the reception from Upper Meon residents and want to say a big thank you! Talking on doorsteps showed hunger for change – as with so many other wards across Hants and England. I look forward to working with the **Green Group** and more progress in UMV."

GREAT NEWS: BISHOPS WALTHAM SOLAR FARM APPROVED

Cllr Malcolm writes: "I'm excited that Winchester's March Planning Committee granted permission for a solar farm on land at Locks Farm, Botley Road, Bishops Waltham. The 18MW solar farm will provide enough energy to power 5,500 homes."

More solar farm applications are also in planning to provide enough energy to power a further 25,000 homes.

As a bonus, careful management of these sites can help key biodiversity objectives that encourage local wildlife. See more here: tinyurl.com/solar-BW



"LET'S WORK WITH NATURE"

"The first ever People's Plan for Nature was recently published calling for action to support the Environment Act's 'Local Nature Recovery Strategy'" says Cllr Danny. "On doorsteps throughout Central Meon you voiced your concerns about damage to Nature. I will be closely watching Hampshire's lead in this initiative to ensure Winchester's plans deliver." peoplesplanfornature.org/



Green Party WORKING HARD FOR YOU IN MEON VALLEY

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We want to hear what matters to you and to help where we can so please do get in touch.

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