





Councillor Kate Salmon

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BCP COUNCIL ELECTION 2023: MOORDOWN RESULT THANK YOU! DOUBLE GREEN WIN!

On Thursday 4 May, husband-and-wife Green team **Joe and Kate Salmon won both the council seats** for Moordown. Kate polled 1,089 votes (44.3%) and Joe 904 votes (36.8%).

Here's a message of thanks from your new Green councillors:

"We are **humbled**, **honoured** and **delighted** by the faith that voters in our community have shown by electing us to represent you on BCP Council. Since the election **we've been busy** — as you'll see from the rest of this newsletter. **We're determined to work hard** for all Moordown residents over the next four years, to be a **strong voice** for you on the Council, and to do everything we can to **protect and support** our wonderful local community.

In this newsletter you'll find more information about the work we're already doing to **tackle antisocial behaviour**, to **support the most vulnerable**, and to bring **more funding** into our community."



Kate and Joe Salmon winning the election in Moordown, May 2023 (*Credit: Richard Crease, Daily Echo*)

TACKLING ANTISOCIAL BEHAVIOUR IN MOORDOWN



Above: Kate and Joe Salmon meeting local PCSOs Hannah and Mike at Winton Library in May



Left: Kate Salmon inspecting another incident of vandalism at Moordown Rec in April



Kate and Joe Salmon have attended several **meetings with local police** teams since the election, including the Bournemouth North Neighbourhood Policing Team and the Police Community Support Officers (pictured). Following yet another **serious incident of vandalism** at Moordown Recreation Ground in April, a **strong focus** of their discussions has been how to tackle the growing problem of **antisocial behaviour** (ASB) in our community.

Joe says: "The **key message** we're getting from the police is to **report what you see**. Police services across the country are chronically under resourced, so it's understandable that public trust is low at the moment. But **if we all do our part** by reporting what we see it really does **help the police** build an accurate picture and then **target their resources** effectively."

Dorset Police are now using an **online form** for non-emergency reporting — just **scan the QR code** on the left. If you don't have access to the internet, please **contact Joe or Kate** (*details overleaf*) and they will make a report on your behalf.

KATE AND JOE SALMON: WORKING HARD AND SPEAKING UP FOR MOORDOWN

SIX GREEN COUNCILLORS ELECTED IN BOURNEMOUTH



L-r: Sara Armstrong (East Cliff & Springbourne), Simon Bull (Winton East), Kate Salmon (Moordown), Alasdair Keddie (Queen's Park), Chris Rigby (Winton East), Joe Salmon (Moordown)

Following the main election in May and a subsequent byelection at the end of June, there are now **six Green councillors** on BCP Council, representing four areas of Bournemouth (*see photo caption*). This represents a **tripling** of the number of Green Party representatives on BCP Council.

The group are already working closely together on issues which affect the wider Council area, and are looking forward to making a real difference over the next four years.

SUPPORTING HOPE 4 FOOD

In June, Kate Salmon paid a visit to **local charity Hope 4 Food** to hear about the important work they do in our community. Entirely run by volunteers, the charity collects **food donations from the public** and businesses and distributes them to **local people in need**. The team currently supplies **emergency food parcels** to families via **14 schools** across BCP, and they are seeing the number of families in need of their support rising fast.

Kate has arranged for a **new donation collection point** to be installed at **Moordown Community Centre** on Coronation Avenue. If you are able to do so, please drop into the community centre and **leave a donation** to help a local family in need.



Left: Kate Salmon with the Hope 4 Food team at their distribution centre; right: Kate installing the new collection point at Moordown Community Centre

LOOKING AFTER MOORDOWN REC

Joe Salmon has been **working tirelessly** to establish whether or not the **burnt out play equipment** at Moordown Recreation Ground can be replaced again. Current indications are that the equipment **was covered** by the council's insurance this time. Work is underway to identify a suitable piece of **replacement equipment** that will be **less susceptible to vandalism**.

Joe and Kate are now looking at options for improving the Rec, to better serve local families and reduce antisocial behaviour. Kate says: "The Council is currently developing a BCP-wide play strategy, which offers a good opportunity for us to highlight our vision for a revitalised Moordown Rec.

"However with council budgets cut to the bone, **funding** for improvements will almost certainly need to be found

elsewhere. There are funding opportunities out there but to access them the Rec needs a "Friends" group or similar. If you'd be interested in setting up or joining such a group, we'd love to hear from you."

(contact details below)



Joe and Kate talking to residents at Moordown Rec

NEWS IN BRIEF

20'S PLENTY Following multiple requests from local residents, Joe and Kate are looking into reducing the speed limit on residential streets to 20mph.

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANNING Would you like to take part in a Neighbourhood Forum? Neighbourhood planning gives residents more choice and control over where new developments happen in their community. If you're interested please contact your councillors for an informal chat.

COMMUNITY LITTER PICKS Sunday 10 September, 11am-12pm, meet outside Sutton Road URC. Saturday 11 November, 10-11am, meet outside Wimborne Rd Co-op. All welcome! RSVP: details on the right.

CAN WE HELP?



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Surgeries: third Sunday of the month (not Aug, Dec), 10-11am, Moordown Community Centre