

**Green News** 

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## Let's Make our Neighbourhood Safer

'A few simple changes and we could really improve where we live' says Stephen Clark, Green Party candidate for Brentford West. 'Roads especially are a major challenge, and here are some local examples'



# **Crossing the High Street**

People are telling me that the crossings from the Beehive pub to Goddard's Furniture Shop, and Goddard's to the South side of the High Street need to be safer and more pedestrian friendly.

Currently we only get around 7 seconds of pedestrian green light once in up to a minute and a quarter to cross. There should be a further 7 seconds countdown indicator after the green pedestrian light. And, there could be a second pedestrian period in the total cycle.

Also, all of us feel exposed in the middle of these crossings. Why can't islands be installed?

Crossing the High Street

# Crossing from Boston Manor Park to Swyncombe Avenue

This can be really difficult, particularly for older people and those with prams. A Zebra Crossing either before or after the mini roundabout would be a great help.



Waiting to cross at Swyncombe Avenue

There are others. Tell us about them and we'll campaign for action.

'Let's Make Our Small Open Spaces Greener, and More Democratic' says Stephen Clark, Green Party Candidate for Brentford West.

## Brentford Library Garden

Whatever the Labour Council do this remains a mess. Too much tarmac for access and parking, and areas that could be attractive overrun with ivy.

#### It could look great!

We would ask people what they would like to see. There are many exciting options, including:

- Replanting the rose garden.
- Vegetable growing areas.
- A play area for small children.
- Imaginative planting of trees and shrubs.



 Returning some of the tarmac to grass and flowers.

It doesn't to need be wholly maintained by the Council. The community could get involved.

#### The Butts

The Butts is one of Brentford's gems, but:

- There is nowhere to sit. Where are the benches?
- Too much parking.
- Not enough planting.
- Overflowing bins.

It shouldn't just be a place to pass through, we should be able to use and enjoy it!

#### 'Let's have benches on the Butts!' says Stephen Clark

There's so much talk about 'community', let's go beyond the talk and make more of our precious open spaces.



### When your opportunity comes - choose a better quality of life - Vote for the Green Party



If you share Stephen Clark's concern for our local environment, nature, our green spaces, addressing climate change, transport improvements, energy conservation, tackling poverty and improving animal welfare (farm animals, animals in sport, wildlife and pets) then consider joining us in the Green Party join.greenparty.org.uk.





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