

GREEN VIEW

COPNOR AND ANCHORAGE PARK



POLLUTION ON BEACHES THREATENS OUR HEALTH

TIM SAYS, “SOUTHERN WATER MUST PREVENT FURTHER INCIDENTS”

Southern Water was recently fined £90m for dumping sewage off the coast in Kent, Sussex and Hampshire while beaches around Portsmouth and Hayling were again unsafe for swimming at the start of October and through November. Sewage presents a risk to human health and to our environment. Shellfish caught in Langstone and Portsmouth Harbour needs treatment if for human consumption due to contamination. Even though there are efforts to reduce the effect of pollution, such as the university releasing native oysters

into the Solent, we need a massive reduction in the amount of raw sewage being released for the good of our environment, our mental health and our bodies.

Yet the Conservatives in parliament, including the Portsmouth North MP, have resisted banning sewage dumping, preferring non-binding commitments with no deadlines or targets.

Portsmouth Green campaigner Tim Sheerman-Chase commented “**This is simply unacceptable. With spiralling utility bills and reckless**

pollution, utility companies need to be owned publicly so they act responsibly.”



PORTSMOUTH INTRODUCES CLEAN AIR ZONE

BUT TIM CASTS DOUBT OVER CAZ FIXING OUR AIR POLLUTION PROBLEM



Tim Sheerman-Chase checking new signage for the Portsmouth Clean Air Zone

The Portsmouth Clean Air Zone (CAZ) has just started for HGVs, buses and coaches, taxis and private hire vehicles. This is the bare minimum to achieve the legal targets according to DEFRA but even Portsmouth City Council say it probably won't work.

Air pollution is still an invisible killer and causes a range of health problems.

Part of the problem is that the Government is focused on the legal

annual NO2 target of 40 ug/m3 and aims to do the bare minimum to reach this level. Increased traffic in Copnor remains a real risk if drivers avoid the CAZ or the Eastern Road is closed for Aquind Interconnector roadworks. Local Green campaigner Tim Sheerman-Chase says “**The Government needs to produce a credible plan B for when their existing plan doesn't achieve its goals.**”

#LetPompeyBreathe

'WILD' TIPNER PLANS FOR 4,000 HOMES RING ALARM BELLS

TIDAL MUDFLATS MAY BE RECLAIMED FOR HOUSING – “A DANGEROUS PRECEDENT” SAYS TIM



Portsmouth Green Party organized a walk round Tipner West to learn about habitat loss

The coastline around Tipner is an important habitat for several bird and fish species and one of the few remaining wild places near Portsmouth. Yet housing developers plan to “reclaim” a large area of tidal mudflats and turn the area into 4,000 homes. The tidal habitat is a heavily protected nature area but this protection may be overturned for the sake of housing. This sets a dangerous precedent for all our natural areas around the country as they are then ripe for future housing plans.

Destroying the Tipner site will reduce our natural carbon storage and filtration of nitrates, and will be replaced by housing which is immediately at risk of sea level rise. Green campaigner Tim Sheerman-Chase responded, **“Given the council has declared a climate emergency, the scheme getting to this stage shows they are not taking it seriously.”**

Thankfully the council is reconsidering the plans, in part due to pressure from Portsmouth residents to preserve our green spaces. More news soon.

AQUIND CABLE OPPOSITION GROWS

PROJECT MIRED IN CORRUPTION AND CAUSES LOSS OF GREEN SPACE

Tim Sheerman-Chase recently spoke up to support the Stop Aquind protest. The Aquind electricity cable project will cause disruption and loss of green space.

Green campaigner Tim says, **“This Russian oligarch–owned project seems to depend on ‘political donations’ to central government. Not only will it mean we use yet more green spaces, I am seriously concerned that traffic from road closures threatens Copnor and other areas. I will continue to speak up against this project.”**



Tim speaking in front of the Stop Aquind protest at Guildhall Square
#StopAquind

CLIMATE BREAKDOWN

LITTLE PROGRESS AT CLIMATE CONFERENCE

Despite the urgent need for action on CO2 emissions, little progress was made at the COP26 climate conference. This was despite many protests around the UK supporting action and recent polling showing public support for action. Tim spoke to the crowd at the protest organized by COP26 Coalition in Guildhall Square, saying, **“It is clear that lack of action is a failure at ALL levels of government.”**



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TIM: WORKING HARD FOR COPNOR AND ANCHORAGE PARK ALL YEAR ROUND