

Dear All,

So, here we are in February and we've had a busy start to the year. I've had another letter published in the Western Gazette at the beginning of January, and was asked by Somerset Live to comment on the issue of congestion and pollution, particularly in Yeovil at the moment.

We did our first litter pick of the year on Saturday 20th January. Thanks to everyone who turned out to help; in a relatively short space of time we collected lots of rubbish, and got some very positive feedback and words of thanks from residents.

I'm a month into my 'social media odyssey' as PPC. There are so many issues to support, or rail against, or protest about; so many things that make you sad or angry, but also many stories we can take heart from and be inspired by. It's a learning curve for me, so I'll keep on sharing and tweeting as and when I can. (GreenDiane4Yeovil / @GreenDiane4Yeo)

Reminder: our next meeting will be tomorrow Monday 5th at the YESS Club, Yeovil at 7.30pm: agenda and details in a separate email from Alan. All members and supporters are most welcome.

On a personal note, it has been a difficult start to the year for me as my cousin sadly lost his battle with cancer on his 51st birthday. It is at times like this that one starts to think about 'legacy': can we really make a difference? I definitely believe that our actions as Green Party Members and Supporters do make a difference, no matter how small, to our families, our communities and the wider world. It can be frustrating and disheartening at times but we must keep on making our voices be heard. Carpe Diem indeed!

Have a positive February.

Best wishes,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Diane". The signature is written in black ink and has a small horizontal line underneath the name.

Yeovil PPC and SSGP Membership Secretary.