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Mike Seamarks leads the traffic survey

## Zebra Crossing Set to be installed at Queens Drive & Arrow Leys!



Dawn Allen assists with the traffic survey

***Dawn & Mike are leading the campaign to improve traffic safety locally***

Residents told Mike Seamarks & Dawn Allen that children who would be moving into years five and six at Hazeldene and Hills schools could not walk safely because of the traffic in Queens Drive.

So they swung into action and in April carried out their very own traffic survey. As a result, they were able to make a good case to Bedford Borough Council

as to the need for a new school crossing. The Council have now agreed and are looking to install a new zebra crossing later this financial year.

Mike and Dawn will continue to press until the crossing is in place and would like to thank Putnoe residents for bringing this - and many other - local issues to our attention.

## Local Policing Priorities in Putnoe!

Along with many other residents in and around Bedford, Dawn & Mike are concerned about tragic incidents over the last couple of months within the Bedford area.

In a recent neighbourhood alert issued by Inspector Paul Ayling he outlines the action that the Police are taking and asks that residents take some reassurance that he and his team are "putting every measure in place to ensure you all feel safe to go about your daily business".

You can receive further updates by signing up to Neighbourhood Alerts for the Putnoe area on [www.neighbourhoodalert.co.uk](http://www.neighbourhoodalert.co.uk)

Every quarter Bedfordshire Police host a Community Priority Setting Meeting, which is open to all residents in the area. Dawn Allen attended the last meeting on 4th September at Church Lane Community Centre and highlighted the concerns of residents about speeding traffic on several of our main roads in Putnoe.

The meeting decided overwhelmingly that the Policing Priority for the area should focus on drugs use hot spots. The dark winter nights are approaching and the Neighbourhood Police have emphasised the basics of keeping your home secure, not leaving personal belongings in your car overnight.

**Putnoe Conservatives - Caring For Our Community - ALL Year Round!**

## Pride in Putnoe!



**Dawn & new bin on Bowhill Green**

**Litter is a blight on any area and if our bins are not up to scratch people will not be encouraged to use them.**

Dawn Allen sent the Council a picture of the damaged bin on Bowhill Green and we now have shiny new one.

Sadly they did not take up the request for a recycle twin bin, however Mike

Seamarks was successful in securing new bins in Mowsbury park, with the addition of the recycle bin. Let us know if there is a damaged bin in your area.

Recycling is such an important issue we will strongly campaign for the Council to prioritise its spending on providing recycle bins rather than street signs which don't need replacing.



**Mike by the new bins in Mowsbury Park.**

## Make Sure Your Voice Is Heard!

**Do you use the footpath, either by walking, using a mobility scooter or a pram?**

As over a quarter of our residents in Putnoe are over 65, Mike and Dawn are looking particularly at accessibility issues on the most important routes you take.

Help us to help you, please get in touch with any issues **concerning you around your pavements and roads!**

## Update: Council Owned Empty Home

For the past 9 months Dawn & Mike have continued to push for the Council to follow its own Empty Homes strategy for empty properties which it owns.

Finally, in September the Council agreed a plan to bring back into use its own empty properties, recognising the need to "mitigate the risk to the Council's reputation" and the "opportunity to generate income from lettings". The empty council owned property in Putnoe that has been empty for over two years will now be refurbished and occupation is anticipated early in the new year.

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