# MELCOMBE REGIS GREEN MATTERS Spring 2024



### Dear Resident

Welcome to our Spring Newsletter. All details are correct as we go to press but by the time we've delivered to all households some details may have changed.

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Best Wishes

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Elections are coming. They take place on 2<sup>nd</sup> May. They will be for Weymouth Town Council and Dorset Council. It has taken one thousand years of struggle to get the right for every adult to vote in elections.

The first step is to be registered on the electoral roll. If you are not sure then there is still time. Applications to register to vote must reach the Electoral Registration Officer, Dorset Council, County Hall, Colliton Park,

Dorchester, DT1 1XJ by 12 midnight on Tuesday 16 April 2024. Apply online to register to vote or download an application form at **https://www.gov.uk/** 

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**register-to-vote.** If you cannot get to the polling stations on 2<sup>nd</sup> May then you can get a postal vote. This can be done to the same address above by 5pm on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> April 2024. Apply online to vote by post or download an application form at **https://www.gov.uk/apply-postal-vote**.

A hurdle has been put in the way of voting. This is voter identity ID. **Here is a list of ID documents. You only need one.** 

#### International travel

• Passport issued by the UK, any of the Channel Islands, the Isle of Man, a British Overseas Territory, an EEA state or a Commonwealth country (including an Irish Passport Card)

#### **Driving and Parking**

- Driving licence issued by the UK, any of the Channel Islands, the Isle of Man, or an EEA state (this includes a provisional driving licence)
- A Blue Badge

#### Local travel

- Older Person's Bus Pass funded by the UK Government
- Disabled Person's Bus Pass funded by the UK Government
- Oyster 60+ Card funded by the UK Government
- Freedom Pass
- Identity card bearing the Proof of Age Standards Scheme hologram (a PASS card)

#### If you haven't got ID don't worry. You can apply for a free Voter Authority Certificate.

You can contact your council (address above) to request a form or you can download from gov.uk – Google "apply for voter authority certificate". The forms go to the council when printed off.

### Your opinion matters to me

As a local councillor I am here to represent your views. So, could you help me by letting me know your concerns and thoughts?

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Transport	YES	NO	COMMENTS
Do you have trouble parking ?			
Do you want changes to buses?			
Is there anything that would make it easier to cycle?			
Any issues with trains?			
Should the esplanade beyond the statue more friendly to pedestrians?			
Anti-social behaviour			
Is there trouble with people who drink alcohol in the streets?			
Are you disturbed by street noise at night?			
Do you see enough police patrols?			
Housing			
Is there enough housing for you and your family?			
If you are renting, are there problems?			
Would you welcome more low rent council housing?			
Climate crisis			
Is your property at risk of flooding?			
Do you have a flood escape plan?			
Have you signed up for flood alerts?			
Is the council doing enough to prepare and adapt?			
Extra question			
Should free loos and fireworks be paid for by prom fairgrounds and cafes?			
Would you like to be kept up to date with local Melcombe matters from your councillor by email? If so; write your email here:			
You can request removal at any time in future. It will be stored and used to communicate about local matters.			
Also would you be willing to display an election poster or deliver leaflets? If so; do let me know.			

## Many thanks for taking the time to answer. Please photograph completed form and sent back to my email or text number. Or post to 7 Brunel Drive Weymouth DT3 6NU



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