

AN UPDATE FROM YOUR HARD WORKING LABOUR TEAM

Rye has been experiencing a worrying rise in anti-social behaviour, We have been listening to residents, meeting Police and speaking with council officers to co-ordinate how we can respond as a community, we have already seen an increase in patrols and Simon is planning a local meeting as soon as Police can offer their time. We care deeply about all parts of our community in Rye and Winchelsea and it is important we come together to overcome challenges, which includes reporting incidents to Police.

By contrast, Simon was very glad to have recently attended the Winchelsea Flower Show, a great example of community, all ages and backgrounds admiring the beauty of nature together. The monthly Tilling Tea and Cake event by FAiR (Friends Altogether in Rother) at Tilling Green Community Centre (TGCC) is going from strength to strength. Cheryl usually attends every month to chat with residents to hear about local issues. Cheryl also attended the Murder Mystery event at the Mermaid. It was very entertaining. The first, very successful, FAiR event, hopefully one of many.

We've been keeping track of the local Parish Council events and actions too, it is handy that Cheryl is also a Rye Town Councillor. There is lots going on at the moment, for example we have some big developments like Ferry Rd and the Winchelsea Rd Aldi development. It is important to keep in close communication with the Parish Councils to ensure we get the best out of opportunities for our residents. Opportunities like the recent Levelling Up funding for example.

As well as all the wonderful community events and local meetings, we've been busy speaking up for Rye and Winchelsea over in Bexhill Town Hall as well. Simon was very proud to propose a successful motion for Rother to support the Climate and Ecology Bill that proposes a whole-of-government approach to deliver a net zero and nature-positive future. Both of us have also been hard at work on various committees from planning to scrutiny. It is great to be able to speak up for Rye, where we've often been forgotten in the past.



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