

# SOUTH RICHMOND NEWS

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Green Party



YOUR COUNCILLOR  
CHAS WARLOW

## WE WANT HEALTHY RIVERS

### THAMES WATER CONSULTING ON NEW DROUGHT RELIEF PLANS



Thames Water's plan to abstract water from the Thames above Teddington weir and replace it with treated sewage has caused a storm of comment: from pop legend Feargal Sharkey to the Blue Tits swimming club, everyone is worried. The message from residents is loud and clear: we want a healthy river Thames. The ongoing consultation (go to <https://thames-wrmp.co.uk/>) will take several more years to reach its conclusion - your Green councillors will be following developments closely.

#### Keeping the pressure on Thames Water

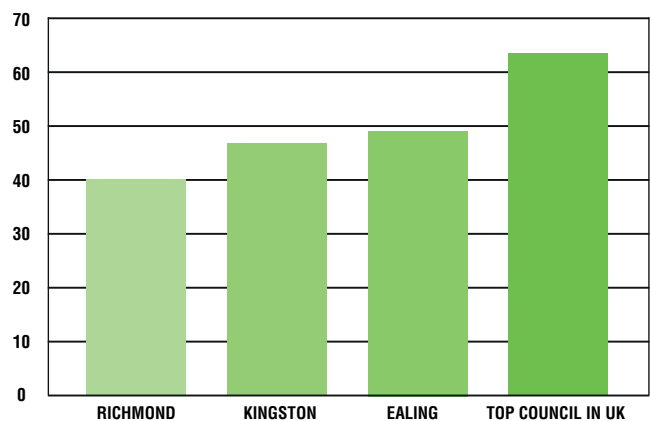
Your Green Party councillor, Chas Warlow, asked how many times Richmond Council has fined Thames Water over the last four years for failing to fix leaks on time. The answer: 350 times, for a total of £200,000 in fines. **Chas says:** *"This is a shocking state of affairs and the company must improve its performance if it wants residents to trust it with its plans for managing the river."*

## HOLDING THE COUNCIL TO ITS TARGETS

Your Green Councillors are the official opposition on Richmond Council. At January's meeting, Chas brought a motion to improve recycling rates in the borough, which passed unanimously. Chas thinks the Council needs to be much more ambitious:

*"We want more action by the Council to explain exactly what we can recycle. We also want to be able to recycle a wider range of materials and for food waste recycling to be possible for everyone, whether in a flat or a house."*

### PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD WASTE RECYCLED



## AN UPDATE ON CHAS'S WORK IN SOUTH RICHMOND

### Getting more bike hangars installed

The Alberts Community Association in central Richmond asked for help to get a new bike hangar installed in the area. Chas made it happen – what's more, your Green Party councillors are continuing to push for more bike hangars at an affordable cost across the borough.

**Chas says:** *"Using a bike hangar shouldn't cost a family of four more than it currently costs to have a resident's car parking permit."*

CHAS WARLOW: WORKING TO GET THINGS DONE IN SOUTH RICHMOND

## CLOTHES RECYCLING

Wondering what to do with your old clothes? Why not recycle them? Fibres from the clothes you recycle are turned into material and put to good use in a host of new ways. Chas agreed to new clothes recycling bins being installed on Eton Street and Kings Road.

## AIR QUALITY AND THE ULEZ EXPANSION

Between 28,000 and 36,000 early deaths are attributable to air pollution each year in the UK – in London, the greatest number of deaths related to air pollution occur in outer London areas.

The Ultra Low Emission Zone is being extended to cover the whole of Greater London. If you're worried about how this might affect you, go to the Transport for London website at <https://tfl.gov.uk/modes/driving/ultra-low-emission-zone> to find out about the scrappage scheme, discounts, exemptions and support including e-bike and car club discounts.

## SMALL STEPS NURSERY

Chas recently visited Small Steps nursery in Worples Way and talked to its inspirational leader, Anita Coppola MBE. Small Steps is a nursery that provides specialist help and support to parents with physically disabled children, offering its service for free as a charity.

If you or your company are interested in doing a sponsored event for charity, get in touch with Anita at [anita@smallsteps.org.uk](mailto:anita@smallsteps.org.uk). For more information, go to <https://smallsteps.org.uk/>.




## CAN I HELP YOU?



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