

The Green Party starts with an apple



Trafford Green Party celebrated its launch on Friday 16th February by presenting commuters at Sale Metrolink station with locally-grown apples to say, “Thank you for taking the tram”.

Bridget Green, chair of Trafford Green Party said, “By making simple changes to our lives, such as taking the tram instead of using the car, we can all help tackle climate change. Delicious English apples have travelled less distance so have fewer food miles. What we eat and how we travel to work affect global issues like climate change and also our own quality of life here in Trafford.

There are positive steps we can take, no matter how small, to ensure that we all have a healthy future. Thank you to all those who choose not to use a car.”

Party members arrived early at 8am to start giving out the apples. Information about the party and how it aims to give voters a choice for real change in the forthcoming local elections was also given out. “Many people in Trafford have voted for Green Party candidates in past elections,” said Bridget, “A local Trafford Party makes green policies a real choice for Trafford people.”

Anyone interested in finding out more about Trafford Green Party can contact Bridget direct on 0161 928 7742.

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NOTES TO EDITORS

Individual Green Party members stood in the last round of local elections in Trafford receiving up to 19% of the vote in some areas.

The Green Party is a successful national party with councillors in many local authorities. In the Northwest, Manchester, Liverpool and Lancaster have sitting councillors. The Green Party has representation on the London Assembly, the House of Lords, the European Parliament and the Scottish Parliament.

This event coincides with the growing debate about the proposed congestion charging scheme to be introduced in Greater Manchester. The A56 is a main road that cuts through the borough and for much of its length is parallel to the tramline. While the current tram service is not perfect and

could be greatly improved, people who use it now are actively contributing to solutions for congestion.

For more information on this event, please call Joe Ryan, Press Officer on 07973 765 408.