

Council candidate Kiera Wilhelm visits the EAC: “the potential to gather us all together”

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- lived in Cambridge for 14 years, a city that puts a high priority on the environment
- currently director of Fig Bethlehem magazine, whose mission is to support local business
- has used her platform at Fig to engage in advocacy, including for the environment
- piece on Jennie Gilrain, John Noble, and the Swifts in the current issue
- appreciates incredible effort put into the Climate Action Plan
- very important is the attention it gives to justice and equity
- our most marginalized communities suffer the negative effects the most
- advocacy leans in the community direction: walking, biking, pedestrian bridge, public transportation
- need messaging, culture change
- not just creating the infrastructure but creating the culture shift improving and creating parks and green spaces
- access to our river



- nature is there for all of us

“I believe that caring for the environment is important for many reasons in and of itself, but it is a way of caring for ourselves and our neighbors. It is in its nature equitable. It is there for all of us. And so it has the potential to gather us all together on bike and on foot. It is there for all of us.”

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