

## Updates on Law Courts

Latest updates from the Campaign in the autumn of 2017 indicate that the Ministry of Justice is making enquiries into locations in the Chichester area that could be used as a court space on a monthly basis. The basement of the Chichester District Council offices is looking like a likely candidate. Negotiations are still underway but it seems as if a bare minimum of court space will be available in our city, although this is clearly a pale shadow of what Chichester used to enjoy. This can hardly be claimed a victory for campaigners but Chichester remains one of the few communities that actively fought the closure of its courts. Cllr Sarah Sharp and all the supporters of the "Save Our Courts" campaign can be truly proud of their efforts in the face of a tough opponent in the Ministry of Justice. Sarah will be donating the rest of the monies collected at the Save our Court demo to the charity which helps local people facing legal problems.