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Nový Jičín



# Nový Jičín / Neu Titschein

## The Greenest Moravian City

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# Nový Jičín / Czechia

## Basic facts

- 23 000 inhabitants
- North-East Czechia (between Ostrava and Olomouc)
- Historical city over 700 years old
- Before WWII close relations with Vienna
- See [novyjicin.cz](http://novyjicin.cz)



## Green Party in Nový Jičín

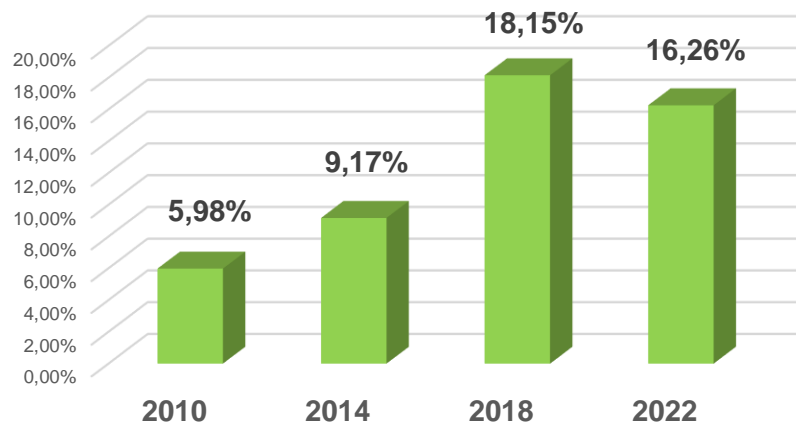
- In city council since 1990
- 2010-2014 opposition (2 councillors)
- 2014-2018 coalition (3<sup>rd</sup> deputy-mayor, 3 councillors)
- 2018-2022 coalition (2<sup>nd</sup> deputy-mayor, 5 councillors)
- 2022-2026 coalition (1<sup>st</sup> deputy-mayor, 5 councillors)
- See [zeleninj.cz](http://zeleninj.cz) / FB: [facebook.com/zeleninj](https://facebook.com/zeleninj)



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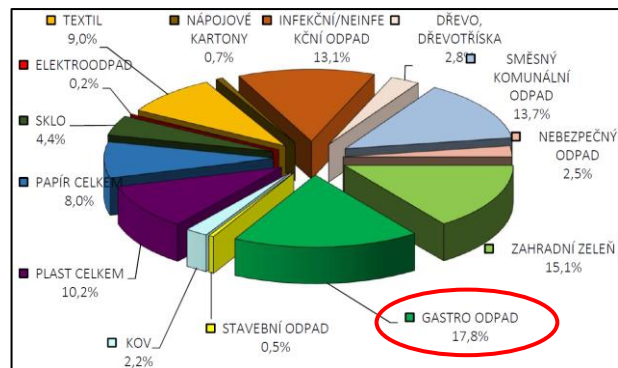


## Local election results of Nový Jičín Green Party



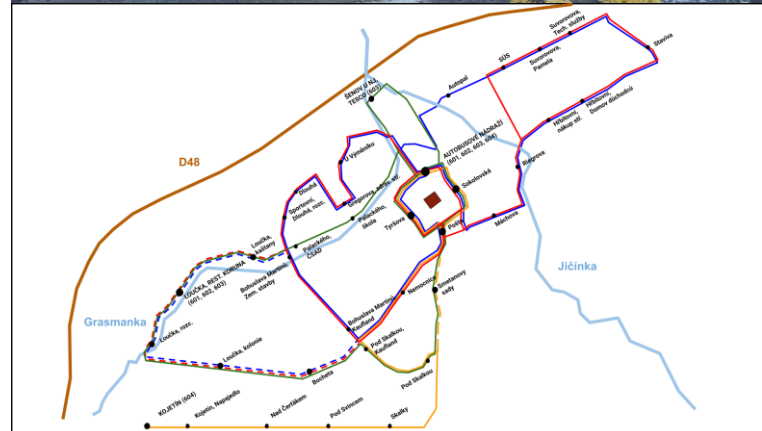
# Recycling kitchen waste


- In 2020 we organised so called „**Physical Waste Analysis**“, e.g. had random bins poured on the square and analysed their content.
- We found out that the biggest recyclable constituent was **kitchen waste**
- We therefore looked for **ways how to recycle it**
- We found a **bio-gas plant** where they were able to process the waste
- Waste is turned there into **electricity, heat and biogas**
- Now we have 60 brown bins for kitchen waste placed around the town which are disposed once a week
- People quickly got used to it
- Former concerns about smell or mess around the bins luckily weren't confirmed
- It is still a bit more costly than dumping the waste but the balance might turn soon as dumping is becoming more expensive
- See [bit.ly/kitchenwastenj](https://bit.ly/kitchenwastenj)



# 100% Electric Public Transport

- Introduced in 2018
- We were 2<sup>nd</sup> city in Czechia with municipal buses run **100 % on electricity**
- The buses are owned by a private company Arriva who won the competition for providing the service for the city
- Our municipal transport is relatively small: we have 3 buses and 4 city lines
- Advantages: **ecology**, **smooth ride**, **popularity** among people
- See: [novyjicin.cz/mhd](http://novyjicin.cz/mhd)



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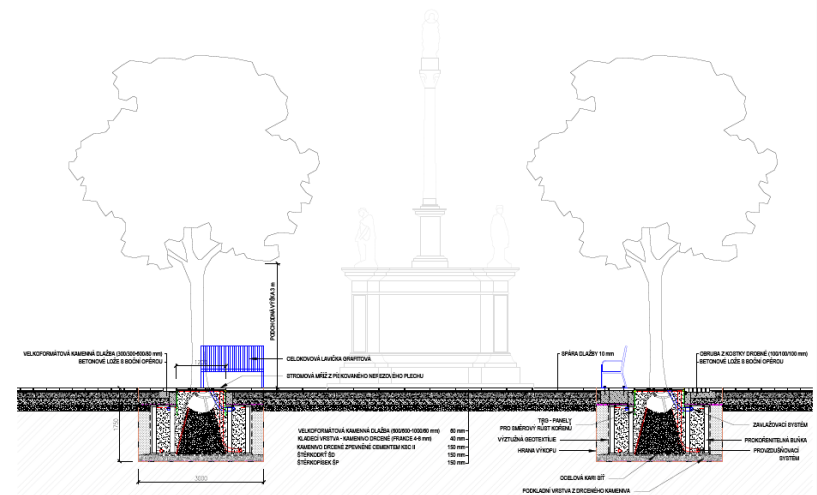
# Community Garden

- Community gardens are rather in bigger cities in Czechia
- However, in 2018, we had a piece of unused land near housing estates where used to be then vacant school gardens
- We organised a public meeting where we discussed 3 options how to use the area: 1) **community gardens**, 2) a **small park**, 3) a **car park**
- Luckily, a few people were willing to take part in community gardening
- We asked them to create an **association** (they called themselves „Long Grass“) and gave them a little money for the start
- Positive effects: opportunity to **grow crops**, local **compost**, cultural **events**, chance for people to **get to know** each other
- See: [bit.ly/communitygardennj](https://bit.ly/communitygardennj)



# Planting trees in historical centres

- Our square is **historical** and **beautiful**: it has **arcades** all around
- The middle area **becomes pretty hot** in the summer, though, since there is **no shade**
- We therefore **wanted to plant some trees** there
- Since our town is a **Urban Conservation Zone**, we needed to get a permission from **National Heritage Institute** but for many years they disagreed
- Eventually we managed to persuade them by: 1) willing to **compromise** (less trees), 2) we found **old pictures** from 1920s when there used to be trees and 3) it was one of outputs of our **Adaptation Strategy** for Climate Change
- The trees should be planted this Autumn – special **Soil Cell System** will be used to keep the trees healthy
- See: [bit.ly/treesonthesquare](http://bit.ly/treesonthesquare)





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