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WARSASH – Autumn 2016

Swimming gold medallist Adam Peaty opens showpiece leisure centre

Rio Olympics hero admits: 'I was scared of water as a child'

OLYMPIC swimming hero Adam Peaty opened the £9m state-of-the-art Holly Hill Leisure Centre and admitted:

"Although it might be hard to believe, I was actually scared of water when I was younger."

Adam, who triumphed at the Rio Olympics by winning Team GB's first gold medal in the 100m breaststroke breaking his world record set the day before, was acutely afraid of being bathed as a young boy.

The 21-year-old super star was full of praise for the showpiece centre in Sarisbury which boasts a 25-metre pool with 6 lanes and a learner pool, gym, spinning room and dance centre.

In a landmark day for the Western Wards, he told guests: "I know how important it is that we educate more people about the health and safety benefits of swimming, especially those who live in coastal areas such as Fareham.

"I think the pool here at Holly Hill Leisure Centre will go a long way in helping to do that.

"It's also at local pools like these where future athletes are discovered and, for me, it's very exciting to think that could happen here at Holly Hill."

A plaque was unveiled at the centre by Adam and the Mayor of Fareham, Councillor Connie Hockley.

Fareham Council Leader Seán Woodward said: "This is the delivery of my longest standing pledge, made over 25 years ago, and I am so grateful to all



Warsash ward Councillor Trevor Cartwright, Council Leader Seán Woodward and executive member for leisure and community Sue Bell after the opening.



It's not often you get a swimming lesson from an Olympic champion.

those who made it possible.

"It is the culmination of a project which began after our suggestion, strongly supported by residents, that we needed another swimming pool in the Borough."

Over 2,000 people have signed up for membership and the centre is open to all.

Fareham's Conservative-run Council has also provided new sports pitches near the leisure centre, worked with volunteers to improve the woodland and lake and has also agreed a £130,000 multi-use games area which will be provided in the new year.

Will it produce another Adam Peaty?



ADAM PEATY FACT FILE

Speciality: 100m breaststroke

2016 Olympic champion
2015 World champion
2014 & 2016 European champion
2014 Commonwealth champion

World record holder 50m and 100m breaststroke and 4 x 100 mixed medley relay

First swimmer to win both sprint breaststroke events at World Championships

Most successful British swimmer in a single World Championship

One of only 3 British swimmers to have won gold at Olympic, World, European and Commonwealth Games level. The only one to hold 4 gold medals simultaneously in the same event

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NEWS ROUND



Suella quizzed
Fareham MP Suella Fernandes visited Warsash Residents' Association meeting in September, giving a rundown of her position in politics and life in Westminster.

Members then quizzed her on everything from Brexit and Government legislation and local issues such as speeding and schools in the constituency.

They also expressed concern over the explosion of planning applications that had been submitted by various developers recently.

They were concerned that Warsash did not have the facilities such as schools, doctors and roads in the area, and most of the applications were in the countryside.

'Keep Us Safe' plan

Hampshire Police & Crime Commissioner's draft plan to 'Keep Us Safer' was approved by the Police Crime Panel.

Panel member Councillor Trevor Cartwright said the main thrust of the plan, which runs until 2021, covers the Commissioner's vision, mission, priorities, size and scope of the job, accountability and objectives.

It was produced after a survey on line and social media, through local Press and paper copies taken to various events.

Councillor Cartwright said: "Having received the Commissioner's Plan, we should shortly be receiving the Delivery Plan which will enable the panel to scrutinise his actions. Details of the Commissioner's Plan are available on his website."

Deliverers needed

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Kids enjoy exciting new activities



THIS YEAR'S summer play scheme attracted 1,500 youngsters from across the Borough for a feast of free fun and games.

Councillor Trevor Cartwright, chairman of Fareham Community Safety Partnership, said

the Council put on a range of exciting

events at five locations across the Borough, supported by many partners and sponsors.

The scheme is designed to reduce anti-social behaviour and allow youngsters to participate in activities they may not otherwise have the opportunity to try.

The final event was a free funfair (courtesy of Charles Cole) at Park Lane Recreation Ground, which was enjoyed by many. All those who registered also had the benefit of free bus travel with First Bus.

Police 'passionate about the job'

WARSASH Councillors Trevor Cartwright and Mike Ford are pictured meeting Sergeant Nick Morgan at Park Gate Police Station to discuss policing in the Western Wards.

The policing team comprises 1 sergeant, 4 police officers and 6 PCSOs, who are involved in the reducing crime, catching criminals and reducing threat, risk and harm in our community.

The team tries to engage with the community as much as possible with beat surgeries in Warsash, Stubbington, and Locks Heath. They regularly visit youth groups to build relations.

Councillor Cartwright was impressed with their passion and dedication to the job under difficult circumstances. New technology has improved so that officers can spend more time on the beat, rather than in the office.



SOME of the 2,000 extra homes for which Fareham has to find space to roll forward the local, plan up to 2036 may have to go on greenfield sites.

These are in addition to those designated for Welborne.

Councillors Trevor Cartwright and Mike Ford, pictured discussing plans with Bri-

Greenfield sites may be needed to fit in 2,000 extra homes

an Smale (chairman) and Michele Corrigan of Warsash Residents' Association, are watching closely for any applications which may impact on the village.

Councillor Ford said many homes would come from land in the town centre and other brownfield sites.

The Council is trying to identify such sites and asked developers and those with access to land to put forward proposals in case it has to look beyond identified sites.

The response was massive, with 110 applications for over 7,000 homes submitted.

He said: "These have included applications from Taylor Wimpey and Foreman Homes for 80 and 150 dwellings respectively on land to the North of Greenaway Lane, butting onto the current Peters Road development.

"Current proposals for homes south of Greenaway Lane give potential for up to 700 homes in the area.

"These are premature applications and their merits will be considered with the other 100 applications once the Council has confirmed the numbers required."

Foreman Homes and Taylor Wimpey have asked for their outline plans to be considered now by the Council, but the land is designated as outside the urban area with a presumption against development.

It is likely these applications will be refused and the developers may appeal.

"A planning inspector will look again at the applications in the light of the Council's plan to 2036 and if he is satisfied it is sound, we hope the appeals will be dismissed," added Councillor Ford.

Warsash couples take top awards

A WARSASH couple were among dozens of winners in this year's Fareham in Bloom competition presentation night at Ferneham Hall.

Felicity and Michael Cory, pictured with Fareham Mayor Connie Hockley and Consort Geoff Hockley, received the Lifetime Achievement Award for taking part in the contest over many years.

Among other local winners, Vic and Lor-



aine Styles received several awards.

Fareham won its 13th consecutive gold medal in the Small City category of the South and SE In Bloom contest.

The Borough's parks and gardens won 5 gold awards, including one for Warsash Common. The most prestigious went to Fareham for gaining the highest marked entry for the Hampshire County Awards.

Sea defence contractors praised

PHASE 1 of the restoration of Hill Head's sea defences is completed and contractors have been praised for meeting deadline and budget.

Warsash Conservative County Councillor Keith Evans, executive member responsible for the coastline, said 10 groynes had been repaired or replaced and 4,000 tons of shingle imported to raise levels.

Phase 2 will see replacement of the sea wall in front of the beach huts by mid-summer 2017. Estimated cost is £195,000 and Councillor Evans said: "This is a very significant project and cost to the Council - not a statutory requirement, but part of the Council's commitment to community facilities."



Maritime Academy's relocation opens up prime riverside site to developers

WORLD-RENOWNED Warsash Maritime Academy will move to Southampton next September, leaving the upper part of the site open to developers.

Owners Southampton Solent University decided the bulk of the campus will be relocated at Southampton City College with cadet halls of residence nearby.

Although it will still be called Warsash Maritime Academy and a small waterside facility retained at Newtown Road, it will be a major loss of revenue and trade that students bring to the village.

Councillor Trevor Cartwright said the university realised the huge financial potential of such a prime site beside the River Hamble.

Given its brownfield status, it is ripe for redevelopment and a planning application is anticipated.

However, the two large 60s style buildings are listed and will have restrictions placed on them.

Councillor Cartwright said: "As part of this anticipated planning application, the Council will ensure that adequate off-road parking is provided, unlike with the Academy whose student numbers have outgrown the on-site parking provision."

"Residents will be only too aware of the pressures that this has caused in recent years.

"It is now our job to ensure that development here is handled sympathetically and in keeping with the local area (it abuts a nature reserve).

"We will, of course, keep you all informed of progress."

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Let's go into the world and make Brexit work for us



I am delighted that Prime Minister Theresa May has laid out plans for making Brexit a reality.

Our future relationship with the EU will reflect an agreement in which we will decide for ourselves how we control immigration and can pass our own laws.

We want to give British companies maximum freedom to trade with and operate in the Single Market – and let Europe and businesses do the same here.

Article 50, the point at which we begin our formal negotiations to leave the EU, will be invoked before the end of March 2017.

The Government will also introduce a Great Repeal Bill to remove the European Communities Act from the statute book on the day we leave, meaning that the authority of EU law in Britain will end.

Let's now have the confidence in ourselves to go into the world, securing trade deals, winning contracts, generating wealth and creating jobs.

Suella



FERNANDES MP for Fareham

An invitation to my Senior Citizens' Fair

TOO OFTEN we hear about problems that can accompany the ageing process, including loneliness and isolation. In my opinion too little is being done to tackle these issues.

Kindly supported by the Rotary Club Meon Fareham, I am hosting a fair on Friday, November 25 (3pm - 5.30pm) to bring together the huge variety of interests and activity groups we have in our community, enabling people to browse these at leisure and chat with representatives of different organisations.

Stands will include: health and fitness, hobbies, voluntary services, home support, financial advice and bereavement services.

Demonstrations will be held on stage as well as a coffee and cake session with me.

Many activities will be on offer such as physiotherapy and sports massage tasters, tailored advice from a pharmacist, a Zumba Gold taster class aimed at ladies over 50, information on health and clinical trials by Cancer Research UK.



I found these seniors enjoying the Fareham & Gosport Dementia Action summer tea dance.

Local clubs will demonstrate activities for people to get involved with such as knitting, arts and crafts and Fareham's Men's Shed. A travel company will help you find your perfect getaway.

Admittance is free and there is plenty of on-site parking.

St John's Church Hall, Upper St Michael's Grove is on main bus routes, not far from Fareham Station. I hope to see you there.

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Surgery dates

I will hold surgeries at different venues across Fareham. Please call to arrange an appointment to meet me.

Keep up to date

To stay up to date with all of my recent visits and speeches in Parliament please sign up to my newsletter at www.suellafernandes.co.uk/newsletter

Arrange a tour

I am happy to arrange tours of the Palace of Westminster for groups of my constituents.

To book please contact my office with a minimum of three months' notice, as they are very popular.

FAREHAM CONSTITUENCY NEWS

Fareham Park Run team celebrated two years of the Fareham 'Couch to 5K team' recently. It was great to see loads of runners take part in one of their Saturday morning 5K runs, starting at Cams Mill. A special well done to the team – I'd highly recommend getting in touch if you would like to start running, no experience necessary!



I spent an afternoon at the new Men's Shed in Fareham, which enables men of all ages and backgrounds to meet regularly to work on practical tasks as a team. This is a great opportunity for the gentlemen of Fareham to meet new people, learn new skills and collaborate on valuable community projects. To get involved, visit www.farehammensshed.org.uk

Life Education Wessex has a mobile classroom that visits local schools to raise awareness on drugs, alcohol and making sensible decisions.

I was pleased to attend a session at Orchard Lee Primary School this month and see the children having a great time using the facilities in the excellent classroom bus.

