Warsash in Westminster - Suella Braverman supporting our community

A much needed General Election

be standing for re-election on 12th December. As your Conservative Member of Parliament since 2015,

I have worked on a large variety of local issues and been a voice for Fareham in Parliament. My track record includes:

- Leading Fareham Community Day Access to local GPs
- Supporting young people and skills through my 4 annual Apprenticeships and Jobs Fairs with Fareham College and seeing a doubling of the number of apprentices in Fareham since 2015
- Fighting for better transport such as upgrades to Junction 10 and better train links.

I am delighted to • Assisting thousands of people in Fareham to find better housing, resolve problems with pensions or benefits, secure a school place or better social care for an elderly relative. Thousands of residents have attended my public events for Senior Citizens, Health Services, Brexit and better Broadband.

More needs to be done and that is why I am pleased that Fareham will Hospital Taskforce to support more see more police on the beat locally services there, including the Same following worrying incidents of crime and anti-social behaviour in Fareham Town Centre and Locks Heath. I am delighted that all schools in Fareham will see an increase in their funding with Sarisbury Junior School, Hookwith-Warsash, Park Gate Primary, **Brookfield Community School and** Cams Hill schools receiving significant amounts to address their previous lower levels of funding. And I am glad that we are seeing record investment in our NHS, mental health services and social care. I hope that I can count on your support to continue the work.



Revised Local Plan

County Cllr Keith Evans reports that the Council is working towards identifying sites in order to meet the government imposed increased housing need for the Borough.

This will be presented to the Council's Executive in December, along with any associated policies that may be needed. If agreed, these will go out to public consultation during the winter.

The process will then involve merging this with the current draft plan which will be published for comment in

the summer. These processes will conclude with their submission to HM Planning Inspectorate in the mid to late summer period following which the Council may be in a position to adopt the plan in early 2021.

I am honoured to be standing for re-election as your Conservative Member of Parliament on 12th December. This General Election is vital because we need a new Parliament that will support Prime Minister Boris Johnson to get Brexit done.

Like the majority of voters in Fareham, I voted and campaigned to leave the EU in the 2016 Referendum because I see the many opportunities for trade, migration, sovereignty and laws. Boris' new deal offers these opportunities and that is why I support it. Your vote will make the difference on 12th December.

By voting Conservative, we can secure a majority in Parliament so that we can deliver Brexit and restore democracy. We can then bring this constitutional crisis to an end and move onto other domestic priorities like more police in Fareham, more funding for our local schools and better NHS services. None of the other parties offer this. Labour and the Liberal Democrats just want to prolong the uncertainty and do not want to honour democracy. Vote Conservative on 12th December to get Brexit done!

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THE LATEST NEWS FROM YOUR LOCAL **COUNCILLORS AND MP**



Improving security in the town centre

Cllr Cartwright, as Executive Member for Health and Public Protection is pleased to report that the Council's Executive, approved a twelve month trial of measures to improve town centre security.

This comes after listening to town centre residents and businesses over recent months and at a recent Community Action Team meeting where it became clear that a visual, uniformed presence in the town centre would help people feel safe and to provide a point of contact on issues such as antisocial behaviour, begging, drug taking, littering and fly-tipping.

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What a transformation!

The much loved Ferneham Hall is showing its age! Over 40 years old now, it is due a major refurbishment, and following a lengthy consultation and appraisal, this will take place over the next two years.

Cllrs Mike Ford and Trevor Cartwright. members of the working group set up to plan and oversee the project say, "The Hall will close on 6 January 2020 and will, to all intents and purposes, be rebuilt on the same site.

"The Hall's popularity is illustrated by the 68,076 people who attended shows here in 2018/19 but we know that this can be significantly increased and a wider audience attracted.

"The increased capacity within the main auditorium will attract bigger names and better shows than the current capacity allows, and a secondary auditorium and studio space will attract more local groups. The proposal is fully supported by the Groups who are regular hirers of

the hall, and we can all look forward to this new and exciting arts venue to be delivered."

When it reopens, BH Live will manage the venue on the Council's behalf. This organisation is a charitable social enterprise and leading leisure & event venue operator, which manages 17 venues, leisure centres and attractions across Dorset, Hampshire and London. These include Bournemouth International Centre, Portsmouth Pyramids and Fairfield Halls (Croydon). They were chosen following a procurement process.

The transformation of Ferneham Hall will include:

- A main auditorium with 808-seats:
- A new fover and interval space
- A secondary performance space
- A first floor studio space
- Community facilities

The design team are looking to ensure the building has a low carbon footprint and are investigating solar panels, photovoltaic panels and an air source heat pump. The budget cost of the new venue comes to a total of £12.3 million.

An artist's impression of the revamped Ferneham Hall, which is due to reopen in 2021



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This would complement the conditions set out in the Public Spaces Protection Order and would also provide an opportunity for community engagement.

The Council has been working with the Police and other agencies to address public concerns relating to these issues. One initiative was closing the Osborne Road car parks in the town centre at night and employing a security company to patrol.

The success of a uniformed presence in the town centre would help to make residents, businesses and visitors to Fareham town centre feel significantly safer.

As such, it was agreed that two uniformed security officers would patrol on foot within the town centre. with both officers being certified under the Community Safety Accreditation Scheme. This is a scheme whereby Police Chief Constables can accredit people in roles that help maintain and improve community safety, with limited but targeted powers. This scheme creates a framework for public and



private bodies to work in partnership with the Police.

While the Officers have the powers to address these issues, they will also be able to provide direction and information about the variety of support available for those in need.

In addition to the physical presence within the town centre, further measures are also being introduced. such as a communications plan. managed by the Council and delivered in partnership with the other agencies.

Cllr Cartwright was also pleased to launch a 'Donation Card' that allows residents to donate to a Homeless

These cards have a QR code printed on them that allow you to make a donation to Two Saints, which runs Homeless Shelters across the Borough. The free and biodegradable cards are available from the Civic Offices, One Community shop in Fareham Shopping Centre and from the Citizens Advice Bureau. The purpose of the card is so that when you are approached for money you can show the card and say that you are donating to a Fareham Street Aid Partner.

Fareham Young Conservatives

Amelia Cole, Fareham's Young Conservatives Deputy Chairman explains how young people are getting involved in local matters.

"Whilst many may assume the young are disengaged with today's politics, I can assure you it is not the case in Fareham!

"We have the most active Young Conservative branch in the Solent area, meeting at least twice a month to keep up to date and discuss

everything going on in our everchanging political climate. Most recently we held an evening regarding the exciting developments unveiled at the Conservative Conference 2019.

"As young people, we want our voice to be heard and our ideas to be acted on, this is exactly what the Young

Conservatives are about. Here in Fareham, we work closely with our local councillors and MP to discuss not only what they are doing to help our community but what we believe can be done to further improve our community. It is great they are all

out in the local area, there is something

Association on 01329 822646 or email farehamconservatives@gmail.com"

areham's Young Conservatives get together or a discussion at the Rising Sun, Warsash.

extremely supportive of what we are "The Young Conservatives are focused on getting involved whether it be in our pub discussions, debates or helping

for everyone to join in. "If you are under 25 and would like to join us, please do not hesitate to contact the Fareham Conservative

Council's Zero Target Confirmed

Fareham Council has for many years been a leader in seeking to reduce carbon based energy use and in promoting recycling of materials. This commitment was strengthened on 26th September when the Executive Leader announced that a working group be established with the target of moving to a carbon neutral position by 2030.

At the Full Council meeting on 24th October, a motion was proposed that recognised that climate breakdown is an emergency around the world and suggested elements towards this position for the working group to consider.

The Council heard compelling deputations from both concerned residents and members of Gosport and Fareham Friends of the Earth, who recognised the progress that the Council is making but urged them to

adopt the motion being presented. Cllrs Mike Ford and Trevor Cartwright welcomed the deputations and were pleased to support the motion that seeks also to achieve 100% clean energy across the Council's full range of functions by 2030. The working group will have the ability to explore all options in order to achieve these targets and it is clear that going forward, that the Council will be informed in their decision making, by the objective of carbon neutrality in the Borough by 2030.

Police and Crime Panel

Cllr Cartwright attended the public Police and Crime Panel meeting on the 4th October and is pleased to confirm that 210 Police Officers will be recruited, with the first tranche hitting the streets this November. It was also confirmed that there are currently 236 PCSO's - only 5 less than the required number, and 200 people have applied to under the current Detective recruitment campaign.

During the meeting, Trevor was able to question Chief Constable Olivia Pinkney, who answered all questions, including the difficult ones, really well. She confirmed that despite being under-staffed and underfunded, the service was coping very well. Productivity of the Hampshire Constabulary is the best in the country and they have had 100% success rate

in solving murders. However, she was concerned with an increase in serious violence and the increase in assaults on Police Officers. She also confirmed that, following the Government's announcement of 20,000 new Police Officers, Hampshire have now been given permission to recruit a further 156. We will await to see how this will affect Fareham.

Blooming Warsash!

Cllr Mike Ford reports that the residents of Warsash really went to town this year with some stunning floral displays that were reflected in the 26 prizes picked up at the Fareham in Bloom awards evening.

"Our residents entered pretty well every sector, large and small gardens, floral and wildlife gardens, containers and allotments."

"Space prevents me from listing every winner but particular recognition should go to those who received Gold awards; Margaret Adams, Rosemary Gibson, Vic and Lorraine Styles (2), Carol and Roy Young, Amanda Bailey, Luiz Cicottti and Mark Brownhall, Mike Roberts and Laurence and Annie Gander.

"Carol and Roy were also winners in three separate categories, whilst Pam Formby's Wildlife Garden also took the Category Winner's award. Congratulations to everyone who entered the competition and help to make Warsash look so attractive."

Vic and Lorraine Styles showing their vell deserved Gold Award certificates with Cllrs Mike Ford and Trevor Cartwright

In brief

Always Plastic Free



I'm sure that many of you have visited Lisa's superb shop in Shore Road and availed yourself of its many services, particularly in relation to recycling. Lisa contacted Cllr Ford for assistance as her facility outside of the shop for the collection of specified items had proved so popular that she was struggling to keep on top of it. Mike explains, "Lisa has now relocated her collection point to the Salterns Club car park in Newtown Road where 4 bins supplied by Fareham Council now collect the following packaging items:

Personal & oral care, pouches and snack tubes, bread, biscuit & snack wrap and finally, crisp packets.

Deliverers and pictures needed If you are interested in helping deliver InTouch, or have a picture of the area you'd like to share with the community on our front cover, please contact Trevor or Mike (details on back page).

