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Cllr Louise Clubley



Cllrs Pam Bryant and Peter Latham

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## THANKS FOR PUTTING YOUR TRUST IN US

Peter Latham and Pamela Bryant have issued a big thank you to all those who voted for them in the Hampshire County Council elections to represent Fareham Town.

Peter is an experienced county councillor and will continue as Chairman of the Regulatory Committee.

It is the first time Pam has been elected to the county council. She is delighted to have been selected to sit on the Culture and Communities Select Committee.

Pam has been a Fareham Borough Councillor for many years and has just been elected to serve for a third consecutive year as Mayor. "We are aware that residents of Fareham have put their trust in both of us and we will not let them down," they both said. "We are here to help all residents as well as representing their views in the council chamber."

In the borough council elections Fareham North residents once again voted strongly in favour of Councillor Louise Clubley retaining her seat, a sign that they appreciate the work she has done for the area in the past five years.

Louise said: "I look forward to continuing to help residents of Fareham North whenever the need arises, and to continue to stand up for them on council issues."

Following the election Louise was selected as the vice chairman of the Streetscene and Leisure and Community Panels

# Government backs delivery of Welborne

New Government funding will support the delivery of Welborne Garden Village.

The Government is making more funding available to cover the technical costs of the M27 Junction 10 works and for the capital cost of the development.

Buckland Development Ltd has proposed to potentially increase its contribution to Junction 10 to as much as £50m in amended plans that are subject to a further three-week consultation.

The Government has recognised that we carry significant costs around the delivery of a garden village at Welborne which go beyond the typical remit of local authorities, announcing a further £130,000 capacity funding in addition to the £1.1m already received.

It has taken months of negotiations to find a way forward on the delivery of the Junction 10 Scheme so that the much-needed housing can be delivered.

## Local Plan Update

Changes to the way the Government assesses how many new homes are required in each local authority area mean we are consulting on another version of our Local Plan.

The government-required number of properties per year up to 2037 was reduced to 403, but has now been increased again to 541.

We will aim to provide these properties while maintaining a strategic gap between Fareham and Stubbington as well as the Meon Gap and by enabling housing growth in Fareham Town Centre.

A special edition of Fareham Today is being delivered to all homes in the Borough as part of the consultation. We will also hold Community Action Team meetings and virtual exhibitions identifying the additional housing and employment sites

## Friday Night charity launch

Pam and Louise, as Mayor and Mayoress, attended the celebrations of the Friday Night Charity as they launched their 'New Generations Ability Partnership'.

The Charity is for adults with learning disabilities, who may also have mental health needs and physical disabilities.

They are delighted that the 10th Fareham Scouts have welcomed them to use their premises, giving members the opportunity to tackle a wider range of activities including archery, cooking, arts, and crafts, to gardening and music sessions.

An award of £128,789 from the National Lottery will go towards expanding and supporting more adults than ever before.



## News in Brief

### County Council Grant Funding

Grant funding of £16,000 in total is available to local organisations in Fareham North to enable them to undertake projects of benefit to their groups and potentially the wider community.

If having read the guidance at <https://www.hants.gov.uk/community/grants/grants-list/county-councillor> you are involved with any group that may be interested please do get in touch with County Councillors Peter Latham - [peter.latham@hants.gov.uk](mailto:peter.latham@hants.gov.uk) or Pamela Bryant at [pamela.bryant@hants.gov.uk](mailto:pamela.bryant@hants.gov.uk)

### Leisure Centre noise

Noise from the heating and ventilation system at the leisure centre is a step nearer to being solved.

Works to fit a bespoke new part are not likely to go ahead until August, but local ward councillors have been advised that if the exhaust and mounting is ready earlier, they will bring the works forward.

### Be considerate with bonfires

We have received a number of complaints from residents about bonfires.

If you are having a bonfire, please follow Hampshire Fire and Rescue Service bonfire safety advice, be aware of the impacts of air pollution and be considerate to neighbours, particularly when windows are open, as well as your community and wildlife.

## Fareham North is safest in Conservative hands

# Waste less, recycle more

We all would like to waste less and recycle more, but how?

Councillors have been getting to grips with two recent government consultations. "DRS" is a deposit return scheme where a small part of the price of a product would be returned to the customer when they returned the packaging. Older residents will remember schemes like this for glass bottles.

The new scheme proposes to increase the level of "on-the-go" drinks' bottle recycling. We may in future see "reverse-vending-machines" (RVM) in our shops.

A second scheme requiring the producer to pay for recycling of materials used in packaging has been consulted upon. This is intended to incentivise a reduction of packaging and a move to easier and better value recycling. This includes films and foils as well as cardboard, plastics, aluminium and wood.

Under consideration is the separation of each refuse type at source and changes to the kerbside collection service to ensure a "less contaminated waste stream".

This may result in significant changes to the waste collection service you receive from the council including which day of the week we make collections.

The Council has considered these two proposals and provided responses to the government. We will keep you informed on progress and how they might impact residents.



Resident Gloria Jobling sorting recycling waste

## News in Brief

### Graffiti Complaints

We regularly receive complaints about increasing amounts of graffiti appearing on the M27, especially on new sound barriers.

Following Fareham Council Leader Seán Woodward raising the issue with Highways England there is a government initiative to remove graffiti from roads and railways.

On the M27 Highways England is trialling products to see which best removes graffiti. Once it has identified the solution it will remove graffiti this summer.

### Innovation Success

Occupancy at Fareham Innovation Centre, which is based at Daedalus, has risen by 17 per cent over the past 12 months with a series of signings and on-site expansion.

With 55 serviced offices and 20 fully occupied workshops, the centre is now home to 60 SMEs – many of which are involved in technology. Designed for start-ups and early-stage businesses, the centre provides a supportive eco-system for occupiers in marine, aviation, aerospace engineering and advanced manufacturing and is suited to the new flexible working trend highlighted in a survey by Microsoft.

## Grant awarded to Refuge

Following an application from Southern Domestic Abuse they have been awarded £4,999 from the Council's Community Fund towards the replacement of carpets, nets, blinds and curtains at Fareham Women's Refuge.

The Refuge is a crucial facility for the area, providing a place of safety and support for women and children fleeing domestic abuse.

# Contact your Councillors

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Whether you voted for us or not, your Conservative councillors promise the highest standards of service to everyone in the community. Contact us any time and we'll respond personally within 48 hours.

**Suella**



**BRAVERMAN** MP for Fareham

## Solent Freeport gets thumbs up

### Nice to see you!

With the gradual easing of restrictions, it has been great to see more people out and about in Fareham.

Whilst there is significant concern over the new variant, the Government has taken a prudent approach and will make decisions based on data.

The crucial consideration is whether the link between infections and hospital admissions has been severed.

At the end of May, 99,816 cumulative doses had been administered in Fareham and by the time you receive this newsletter, we will have surpassed 100,000 in our local area, a huge achievement by our healthcare providers as part of our unparalleled national vaccine programme.

Solent Freeport has been given the go-ahead by Chancellor Rishi Sunak creating one of the most exciting opportunities in a generation for our local area.

The UK's bespoke, flexible Freeports model combines customs zones with tax reliefs, planning freedoms and support for regeneration and innovation.

The Solent Freeport promises to deliver significant economic benefits, while:

- creating more than 26,000 jobs locally and 52,000 jobs nationally.
- boosting earning potential.
- regenerating our communities.
- enabling the Solent to transition to a net zero carbon economy by 2050.



Suella at the Port of Southampton with BBC South's Peter Henley. Photo before Covid restrictions.

The Solent Freeport will unleash the potential of our proud historic ports and boost income to Fareham and surrounding areas.

### Donna's plans for 600 more police officers

Donna Jones met with Chief Constable Olivia Pinkney immediately after she was elected as the new Police and Crime Commissioner for Hampshire and the Isle of Wight.

She outlined her priorities to recruit 600 more police officers and to remove red tape and bureaucracy so officers can spend more time on patrol.



She would also like a review of the 101 and 999 services, so when people report a crime, they get feedback. As a member of the Police and Crime Panel Cllr Trevor Cartwright is looking forward to meeting Donna at the next meeting to learn of her further plans for the coming four years.

### E-Scooter nuisance causing problems

There has been an increase in complaints from residents in Fareham North about E-Scooters. Some residents have told us of users travelling on them at speed across pavements and the highways in a careless and dangerous manner. Cllr Louise Clubley has contacted the enforcement team at Fareham Borough Council to see how to deal with this.

Under current legislation the riding of privately-owned e-scooters is illegal on roads, pavements, cycle ways and any other public place as defined under the Road Traffic Act 1988.

They are allowed to be used legally on private land with the permission of the landowner. Users run the risk of receiving a fine, points on a driving licence or the e-scooter could be seized. Residents who witness an incident should contact Hampshire Constabulary on 101 and Fareham Borough Council.

