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THANKS FOR PUTTING YOUR TRUST IN US

Sarah Pankhurst and Tiffany Harper have issued a massive thank you to the voters of Titchfield and Titchfield Common for electing them again at the recent election.

Sarah was re-elected to her borough council seat for Titchfield Common, and has also been elected to replace the retiring Geoff Hockley as the Hampshire County Councillor for Fareham Titchfield.

Sarah said: "I want to say from my heart a huge thank you for all the support and trust you have given me in your votes and support. I am very humbled and happy to have your support for both Titchfield Common Ward and Fareham Titchfield County Division.

"It has been a very difficult year and I want to say that whoever you supported this year, I am here to help and support you all.

"I also want to thank Geoff Hockley for his extremely hard work over these past years - I have huge shoes to fill. Thank you Geoff for your support and your mentoring as I start my work up at County.

"Finally, a big thank you to my deliverers and colleagues who helped deliver leaflets, knock on doors and promote my pledges."

Tiffany said: I'm very proud to have been re-elected for the fourth time as your borough councillor representing Titchfield.

"Winning this seat could not be achieved on my own, and I owe thanks to many people, from the residents and voters, fellow colleagues, and my election team including deliverers."

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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

Play area taking shape

Work on Abbey Meadow play area has commenced. It is planned, weather permitting, for it to be open for the start of the school summer holidays. This is a really exciting bespoke play area and we hope that the young folk will thoroughly enjoy using all the new equipment.

The plan shows its location. It is set in a wonderful country park which we know from feedback of residents that it is a valuable local asset. If you are walking in the area take a look at how it is taking shape.



News in Brief

County Council Grant Funding

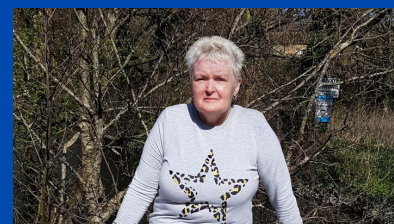
Grant funding of £8,000 in total is available to local organisations in the Titchfield and Titchfield Common areas to enable them to undertake projects of benefit to their groups and the wider community. If having read the guidance at <https://www.hants.gov.uk/community/grants/grants-list/county-councillor> you are involved with any group that may be interested please do get in touch with County Councillor Sarah Pankhurst at Sarah.pankhurst@hants.gov.uk Cllr Pankhurst said: "It is gratifying to be able to help so many organisations to realise their dreams and thrive."

Fisher's Hill Update

For the past year Fisher's Hill has been closed so residents could exercise socially distanced. Cllr Sarah Pankhurst said: "Once the Government confirm that restrictions are being lifted Fisher's Hill will, once again, re-open to traffic."

Hampshire County Council will then conduct a public consultation which will give residents and all users of Fisher's Hill a chance to comment on whether the road should remain open, or be permanently closed to traffic."

The consultation will be online and the paper version will also be available on request.



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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

Barry's Meadow footpath works

Barry's Meadow was one of the first gifts donated by the Third Earl of Southampton, Henry Wriothesley, in 1620 to the Earl of Southampton Trust.

Over the years it has taken something of a back seat.

But we are now creating a path from the car park to the top of the meadow leading onto West Street and also making other improvements. Access to the top of the meadow has been almost impossible because of overgrown vegetation.

Now the Trust is going to open up the whole meadow so that people can once again use it as a route from the centre of the village onto West Street by creating a path that will make walking possible at any time of the year.

The steps will also be refurbished to ensure they are safe to use.

It is hoped that these improvements will ensure that folk will now be able to use this 'green lung' not just for exercise but also as a new short cut from the Village Centre.

The Trustees are also encouraging those with 'green fingers' to add to the meadow by taking on planting and landscaping to add more colour.

Access All Areas

We are delighted to announce this wonderful scheme will be available for 11-16 year olds that live and go to school in Fareham.

There will be plenty of fun filled activities taking place across Fareham during the summer holidays. For more information and to register please visit www.fareham.gov.uk/aaa.

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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.

First look inside Florence Court

Councillors have had a chance to look inside the new Florence Court Care Home in Segensworth Road - due to open in August.

Cllr Hockley said: "The internal layout and furnishings are delightful with soothing colours throughout. The planned facilities for residents are excellent and include an Activities Café, Cinema, and Roof Terrace. With an ageing population I think this care home will be a great local asset."

Cllr Pankhurst added: "Barchester Healthcare has combined the luxury hotel experience with senior living to provide an on site village for seniors to enjoy at their leisure in a caring and supportive way. I was particularly interested to see the level of detail given to their sensory room which helps residents living with Dementia and Alzheimer's - I enjoyed a computerised game of 'Snakes & Ladders' with Fiona and was impressed at the thought given to stress reducing decor in the residents' bedrooms."



Cllr Hockley (right) with Fiona Bacon at Florence Court