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# InTouch





Cllr Joanne Bull tries out the climbing wall



Olympic bronze medallist Declan Brooks with Mayor Cllr Pamela Bryant, Mayoress Cllr Louise Clubley, Cllr Sue Walker and Cllr Seán Woodward

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# £20M LEISURE AND CULTURE BONANZA

A £20m leisure and culture bonanza is coming to Fareham with upgraded leisure centres and the relaunch of plans for the town centre's new arts and entertainment venue. Fareham Live.

A £6.33m project to refurbish Fareham Leisure Centre was officially re-opened by Portchester's Olympic bronze medallist Declan Brooks. The refurbishment includes a high intensity interval training Fortis Studio and Fortis ambassador and former premier league footballer Alan Shearer visited to officially open that part.

The centre now features state-of-the-art facilities including a 'Top Rock' climbing wall, soft play area and indoor splash pad suitable for those with accessible needs.

Everyone Active, which manages the Centre in partnership with Fareham Borough Council, unveiled the new-look centre with Declan and Mayor of Fareham Cllr Pamela Bryant.

Executive Member for Leisure and Community, Cllr Sue Walker, said: "It is really exciting to be able to provide new, improved facilities at a time when leisure has become so important to us all, in the wake of the pandemic and performance of Team GB at the Tokyo Olympics." Work is also complete on improvements to Holly Hill Leisure Centre to add a steam room and sauna, while the £13.3m plans to replace Ferneham Hall with a new arts and entertainment facility to be called Fareham Live have also gone out to tender.

BH Live has been appointed to run the venue on the Council's behalf.

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# 50 years of Titchfield Luncheon Club

Recently Connie had the great pleasure of attending an afternoon Tea Party to help celebrate the Titchfield Luncheon Club's 50th Anniversary Celebrations. The party, with COVID restrictions in place, was held at the Titchfield Community Centre where Volunteers put on a wonderful 'afternoon tea' which was enjoyed by all. A raffle organised by Zurich Insurance also took place which added to the joy of the event. I would like to say a huge 'thank you' to Ken Groves who has been the



Ken Groves and Connie Hockley cut the cake

leading light of the Club for the last 20 years and to the incredible band of volunteers who help with cooking, serving, washing up and transporting some of its Members to and from the venue. Without Volunteers where would this country be?

## Bowling club awarded grant

County Councillor Sarah
Pankhurst took advantage of the
good September weather by
visiting the Titchfield Bowling
Club. Sarah was impressed with
the Club's management of the
grass cutting, rink maintenance
and re-lining of the rink.
Sarah was also pleased to offer



an HCC grant to help with upcoming works costs.

### **News in Brief**

# Clip-and-Collect green waste

In September the Council started the early bird "Clip-and-collect" scheme to allow residents to pre-purchase a brown-top bin and pay for the first year's subscription to the green garden waste collection. This modernisation of the Council's garden waste collection is long overdue and allows for more green waste to be recycled in compliance with health and safety legislation. Those households who have chosen not to take up the paid service are able to continue to use their green or white bags but will need to take them to the household waste recycling centre at Segensworth. Alternatively residents can carry out their own home composting and assistance and advice is available from Fareham Borough Council and Hampshire County Council. We hope many more residents sign up to the scheme and recycle their green waste which goes to create Pro-Grow.

#### Fisher's Hill Update

HCC is currently reviewing data from the recent public consultation. A decision day will be advised as soon as this process has been completed.

## Growing need for food banks in Western Wards

Councillor Sarah Pankhurst took time to visit Claire Johnson at the Waypoint Church Hub and Food Bank in Titchfield Common.

Claire explained how the need for food banks has been increasing in the Western Wards.

Sarah was very impressed that the Hub now has a dedicated area for the food bank and that fruit and vegetables have been included into family diets giving a healthy option.

Sarah was also very pleased to offer a Hampshire County Council grant to help with the costs of continued fresh fruit and vegetable supplies.



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# Abbey Meadows - a great countryside asset

In July the Abbey Meadows site in Titchfield was officially opened by the Mayor of Fareham.

Sarah, Tiffany and Connie had the pleasure of attending and having a wander around this truly beautiful country site which comprises wildflower meadows, dog-walking



areas and a beehive area with future plans to create a new community orchard as well as planting native trees with a view to supporting local wildlife and biodiversity.

The new children's natural stye Play Area was opened at the same time and it was great to see children from Titchfield Primary School using the equipment. Since the opening the Play Area has been very well used and enjoyed by children and families.

We learned about the making of honey and mead from the hives in the field at the back of the picture which also shows the interpretation boards created by Dan and Rosemary Powell.

Picture shows left to right Dan and Rosemary Powell, The Mayor of Fareham, Cllr Pamela Bryant, Mayoress Cllr Louise Clubley, Cllr Tiffany Harper, Cllr Ian Bastable, Executive Member for Streetscene, Cllr Seán Woodward and Cllr Connie Hockley.

### **News in Brief**

### **Greening Campaign**

Fareham Borough Council has chosen Titchfield Village as a pilot scheme in the Greening Campaign. The idea is that if enough individuals make small changes in their lives it will collectively make a positive difference.

Residents will be given Greening Cards detailing easy strategies for households to contribute to a reduction in their carbon footprint. The aim is for a fun way to compete with neighbours and to see how easy it is to lower your carbon footprint: 30 degree laundry, switching off lights when not needed, lowering hot water temperatures, making sure electricals are not left on standby. A meeting was held in the Parish Room to launch the campaign.

# Hello - I'm Sarah Jolliffe

I deliver the Intouch for Titchfield Common. I have lived in the Western Wards for 33 years, I know many of you and enjoy helping residents access local services and recycling. You can often find me at the parks on litter duty. I'm friendly and accessible and look forward to meeting more of my neighbours so if you see me out & about on my deliveries please say hello.





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I'm delighted to be back at work following maternity leave after the birth of my daughter.

## Leading the way

The UK is leading the way in strengthening the western alliance against growing security concerns. AUKUS is a historic security pact between the UK, US and Australia which will see Australia acquire its first fleet of nuclear-powered submarines, the sharing of cyber capabilities and other undersea technologies. In the most significant security arrangement between the three nations since WW2, this represents a major step forward in promoting shared values, security and prosperity in the Indo-Pacific region. It is a new pillar of our strategy, demonstrating our commitment to security.

# Fareham's Zero carbon electricity ambition

I know many are concerned about gas prices and impact on the environment. Firstly, the energy price cap will remain in place to protect consumers throughout the winter alongside the Winter Home Discount and Winter Fuel Payments.

We are confident in our resilient gas supplies from British waters and a diverse renewables and nuclear sector.

Current price spikes underline the need to get the country onto secure zero carbon power. We are accelerating our ambition to deploy low carbon generation by 2035, including renewables, nuclear and new options such as hydrogen.



Suella and the team from Caldera

I was pleased to visit Caldera in Segensworth where CEO James MacNaghten and his team have developed a zero carbon heat battery. Using the ground-breaking 'Warmstone' heat battery, which holds 100kWh of energy, a whole house can be warmed using cheap, green, off-peak electricity which is released when required. Caldera is rapidly scaling up and installing many heat batteries in homes around the South East.

## Time to say thank you

#### **THANK YOU**

To the Trustees of the Earl of Southampton Trust for organising the new pathway in Barry's Meadow which links from the top of West Street down to the car park.

#### **THANK YOU**

Fareham Borough Council for clearing and tidying up The Green at the bottom of West Sreet. In the past a few villagers used to kindly keep this area looking lovely but for various reasons are no longer able to carry on. If any readers would like to volunteer their services for this task then get in touch with either Tiffany or Connie.

#### **THANK YOU**

A huge thank you to all the Titchfield Knitters who for the last few months have decorated the top of the post Box outside One Stop in Titchfield Village. The various scenes have not only made people smile but have been a great talking point. The picture shows a recent show stopper.





