

# Ian, Simon, Susan & Malcolm: Working all-year-round for local people!

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## **ACTION - not words: Brook Lane Road Safety**

Local Park Gate Councillors Ian Bastable and Simon Martin have worked over a number of years with County Councillor Seán Woodward and Hampshire Highways officers to deliver safety improvements on Brook Lane, especially in the vicinity of Brookfield School.

So far, they have been successful in obtaining road markings, signage, safety railings and parking restrictions. They are now leading the campaign to get new controlled pedestrian crossings to aid children's safe routes to and from the local schools.

Councillor Seán Woodward was successful achieving the crossing on Lockwood Road however despite the traffic/pedestrian surveys he had carried out on Brook Lane, the results of which certainly justify a crossing south of the Brook Lane/Headland Drive roundabout, finding a suitable location has, due to restricted pavement width and the visibility issues for traffic coming up Lockwood Road and turning left into Brook Lane, so far proved impossible. *But he won't give up!*

Now, Ian and Simon are working with Seán to look into the possibility of acquiring land adjacent to the footway near to the school for use as a controlled crossing.



Local Park Gate Councillors Ian Bastable & Simon Martin are keeping up the fight for more safety improvements for Brook Lane.

This would have the benefit of being as close as possible to the desired line that the children want to use, or else it will simply not be used. This is why they cannot north of the roundabout.

Additionally, our local Councillors have also persuaded Council Officers to investigate the feasibility of controlled crossings both near Fareham Community Hospital and at the top of Brook Lane, adjacent to Bridge Road/A27.

## **It's Conservative Councillors who are getting things done!**

Your local Conservative Councillors are here all-the-year-round, tackling local issues and getting things done. If Ian, Simon, Susan or Malcolm can ever be of help to you, please do get in touch.

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# InTouch

## Local News & Action

Winter 2023/24

Local Conservative Councillors Reporting-Back

Some good news for our local community...

## **PARK GATE POLICE STATION TO BE RE-OPENED**

**Success! When our local Conservative Councillors visited the closed Park Gate Police Station, they launched a campaign to save the police station from closure and get it re-opened if they possibly could.**

***Conservative Councillors get things done!***

Thanks to our local Councillors Ian Bastable, Simon Martin, Susan Bayford & Malcolm Daniells, Park Gate Police Station is set to be saved!



**Saving Park Gate Police Station**  
**Ian Bastable & Simon Martin,**  
**Susan Bayford & Malcolm Daniells**  
**are saving Park Gate Police Station**

## **Thanks to our Conservative Councillors, Park Gate Police Station now has a secure, long-term future**

## **Welcome to Reverend Luiz Lima!**

***Locks Heath Councillors Susan Bayford & Malcolm Daniells write:***

The Bishop of Portsmouth has appointed the Reverend Luiz Lima to be Priest-in-Charge of St John's Church, Locks Heath. Rev. Lima, who was born in Brazil and loves football, is married to Jessica and they have two young sons.

He is particularly interested in youth ministry and was very successful in his previous church in this field of pastoral care at Christ Church and St Luke's Church in Worksop. He is also very keen to build bridges between faith and the community. Susan, who met up with Rev. Luiz recently, was delighted to attend the wonderful service at St John's in September, when Bishop Jonathon presented him with his License to serve as Priest-in-Charge.

We wish Rev. Lima every success in his new ministry and look forward to assisting him as he settles into our lovely community.



## **More Local News & Action - see inside...**

## Botley Road: Tackling an eyesore!

Fareham Council continues to pursue the owner of the old Threshers building on Botley Road at Park Gate through the courts having served a Section 215 Notice on the owner, Mr Gill, for both the severe dilapidation of the building and grounds.

As none of the works required by the Notice had been carried out, the next step was to prosecute. Initially the site owner was summonsed to appear before Portsmouth Magistrates Court, for failing to comply with the Notice.

At the hearing the Magistrates found the site owner guilty of the offence and imposed a fine of £1,000 plus a surcharge. Any further prosecution can include a fine of up to £1,000 plus a fine of up to £100 per day, for every day the Notice has remained not complied.

In November, the Judge imposed a sentence comprising a fine of £8,400 and required Mr Gill to pay the Council's costs on top of this.

Councillor Ian Bastable said: "This absolute eyesore issue has remained unresolved for years despite the Council taking all the legal action available to it. We will not give up and will do whatever it takes to deal with this unacceptable situation."



**Remember - Local Conservatives have kept the Borough's Council Tax the 4th lowest in England AND protected local services That's an impressive record!**

**Councillors Ian Bastable, Simon Martin, Susan Bayford & Malcolm Daniells -**

## Working for Locks Heath & Park Gate all-year-round

### 40 years of Locks Heath Shopping Centre!

Local Locks Heath Councillors Susan Bayford and Malcolm Daniells recently attended the 40th anniversary celebration of the Locks Heath Shopping Centre.



Sarah, the Centre manager, excelled again in organising this event. Her valuable contribution to the community is greatly appreciated, and we look forward to attending future events at the Centre.

### Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Our local Locks Heath & Park Gate Councillors would like to wish all residents a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Ian, Simon, Malcolm and Susan would also like to thank residents for all the support they have given to them throughout the year. Many residents have got in touch to say how much they appreciate that local Conservatives keep in touch all-year-round, and not just at election-time!

As always, *InTouch* is funded entirely by our local Conservative Councillors and local campaigners. If you would be interested in joining our delivery team, please contact any of our local Councillors overleaf. Thank you!

### Park Gate Councillor Ian Bastable writes:

We all want an easy to use waste collection service, and many people would like to be able to recycle a greater range of items; in particular, plastic tubs and trays which today *cannot* be recycled in Hampshire.

Part of planned government reforms are to have a unified recycling service across the country. As Fareham's Executive Member for Streetscene, I have been working with the government minister Rebecca Pow (see photo)

to agree a satisfactory way forward for the residents of Fareham that does not require seven separate bins. *This has resulted in recent announcements by the Prime Minister.*

Fareham's food waste is currently converted to energy, minimising the environmental impact. I am now insisting that a separate food waste collection service will only be implemented if it brings a net environmental benefit.

I am also working hard to simplify the remainder of the recycling collection service.

### Play Area Improvements: Badger Copse!

Local Park Gate Councillors Ian Bastable and Simon Martin are excited to be able to report on new works that are taking place at the Badgers Copse play area, just in time for Christmas! New equipment will include a toddler slide, inclusive butterfly activity station, communication panel, a parent/toddler facing swing and a 4-way see-saw.

The improvement works will also include a general tidy up of the play area such as de-weeding and pressure-washing. Councillors Simon and Ian went along to check on progress and they are pleased to report it is an impressive addition to our leisure portfolio.

### Coldeast Residents' Association Meeting

Councillor Ian Bastable and Sarisbury County Councillor Seán Woodward attended a good meeting of 30 members of the Coldeast Residents' Association. They are grateful to the members of the committee chaired by Allan Duncan who work so hard to overcome the trials and tribulations of living in an area with a management company.

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### Waste & Recycling Update



Ian has successfully lobbied Government Minister Rebecca Pow.



This fire cost the Fire Brigade £1,000 and further fires have been reported.

### Locks Heath Centre: Anti-Social Behaviour

Local Locks Heath Councillors Susan Bayford and Malcolm Daniells, alongside local residents, are concerned about the increasing anti-social behaviour at the Skate Park area close to the Locks Heath Centre.

Following a spate of incidents where glass was taken from the bottle bank and strewn on the grass and play areas, Councillor Susan Bayford asked the Council to erect a fence to fill a gap in the hedge in an effort to deter behaviour of this nature.

There have also been a number of fires started in the woods and recreation area. Whilst in the area last month, Susan had a call from the shopping centre manager and rushed over to the Teen Shelter where fire officers were damping down several logs that had been set alight.

Your local Conservative Councillors would like to see a CCTV camera installed at the recreation area but the Police do need to build up a case file on the number of anti-social incidents taking place.

To achieve this, we ask that local residents who do witness such incidents inform the Police as soon as possible by dialling 101 or go to [hampshire.police.uk](http://hampshire.police.uk) and search for 'Contact Us'.

You can also get in touch with any of your local Conservative Councillors overleaf and they can alert the local neighbourhood community police sergeant.