



Seán Woodward, Joanne Burton and David Foot Reporting Back

Some good news for our local community...

ACTION - not words: Brook Lane Road Safety

Local County Councillor Seán Woodward has worked over a number of years with Hampshire Highways officers to deliver safety improvements on Brook Lane, especially in the vicinity of Brookfield School.

So far, he has been successful in obtaining road markings, signage, safety railings and parking restrictions. He is 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 also 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, Seán is looking into the possibility of acquiring land adjacent to the footway near to the school for use as a controlled crossing.



Local Sarisbury & Whiteley Councillor Seán Woodward is keeping up the fight for more safety improvements for Brook Lane.

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

Additionally, Councillor Seán Woodward has 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 Seán, Joanne or David can ever be of help to you, please do get in touch.**

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PARK GATE POLICE STATION TO BE RE-OPENED

Success! When our local Conservative Councillors Seán Woodward and Joanne Burton visited the closed Park Gate Police Station, they launched a campaign to save the front counter and get it re-opened to the public if they possibly could.

Conservative Councillors get things done!

Thanks to our local Councillors Seán Woodward and Joanne Burton, Park Gate Police Station is set to re-open in the spring. This will very much help increase the visibility and public confidence!



Saving Park Gate Police Station
Our Local Councillors Seán Woodward and Joanne Burton, with Police & Crime Commissioner Donna Jones are re-opening Park Gate Police Station

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

Improving Fareham Town Centre

Fareham Borough Council has bought Fareham Shopping Centre for £14.25M as part of the Council's regeneration programme, which includes £16.7M for Fareham Live and £2.5M to replace Osborn Road multi storey car park with a modern surface car park.

There will be public consultation to help decide what the future of the town centre will look like.



Local Conservative Councillors are committed to regenerating the Town Centre!

See inside for more local news...

- Seán announces his retirement
- War Memorial Repaired
- Burrige Village Hall Revamp!

And lots more local news!

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 Joanne Burton 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!

Local News & Action from your Conservative Councillors...

Working for Sarisbury & Whiteley all-year-round



Burridge Village Hall Revamp!

Burridge Village Hall has recently benefited from an investment of love! Recent months have seen this fantastic hub transformed, inside and out! The new committee has been working hard to secure its longevity for the community and welcomes a broad variety of clubs and activities.

Thanks to Fareham Borough Council for the exterior maintenance and painting, but also a big thank you to the volunteers in their work clearing weeds from the borders and keeping the recreation ground clean and tidy with regular litter picks. If you can offer as little as an hour or two a month and would like to have a say on your community asset, we would love to hear from you.

The Hall is available for hire for children's parties and many other events. Just contact the trustees at burridgevillagehall@gmail.com.

Fielding Road Play Area

Fielding Road play area in Whiteley has been refurbished to a high standard with a number of new items including a roundabout, a junior climbing unit and slide, inclusive apple activity station, communication panel, new cradle swing and new floor graphics in the ball court.

Other works will include painting existing equipment where necessary, a general tidy up of the play area such as de-weeding and pressure-washing have been done.

War Memorial Repaired

We are really grateful to everyone for attending Armistice Day at Sarisbury Green following the repair of the War Memorial and its surroundings.



We commemorated the sacrifice of local servicemen who were Forever Remembered by 1st Sarisbury Green Scouts. There was representation from 78 Squadron RAF Swanwick, HMS Collingwood, Blighmont Army Reserve Centre and Fareham Police. Rev Amy Adeniran from Hope Church Whiteley led a wonderful service and Tony Flatman from Hampshire & Isle of Wight Constabulary provided great music. Thanks also to St Pauls Sarisbury Green for opening the café for wonderful cake afterwards.

Whiteley School Boardwalk

Many years ago, our local County Councillor Seán Woodward secured funding for a boardwalk from Rookery Avenue to Whiteley Primary School, reducing traffic and parking issues in Gull Coppice. The boardwalk, well-used and enjoyed, has deteriorated and requires replacement. Councillor Woodward approached the council for funds, as the school lacks the budget for it.

Fortunately, the county council has agreed to fully fund the replacement, now included in the building programme.

In Bloom!

The Keeping Sarisbury Green Team represented by Julia Scott and Joyce Footman-Williams collected the award for the best Community Floral Display in Fareham In Bloom 2023.

The group does tremendous work in the area and has just been successful in being awarded a £2,000 grant by our County Councillor Seán Woodward to buy more gardening tools, bulbs and plants to continue their wonderful work locally.



After 38 years of service to Sarisbury...

Seán announces his retirement

Seán Woodward writes:

I've decided to retire in 2024 after 38 years as your Councillor and 25 years as Leader of Fareham Council.

I'm immensely proud of our achievements, from transforming Daedalus and fostering job growth at Solent Airport to refurbishing Fareham Leisure Centre, creating new parks and community centres, making Welborne happen, and revitalising Fareham's skyline with projects like Fareham Live. The recent purchase of Fareham Shopping Centre presents a significant opportunity for town centre regeneration.

I cherish Sarisbury, Burridge, Swanwick, Lower Swanwick, Park Gate, and Whiteley, and the natural spots like the River Hamble, Holly Hill, Coldeast Parks, Swanwick Lakes, and Sarisbury Green. I also appreciate the diverse groups and organisations I've had the privilege to assist, contributing to the uniqueness of our area.

Throughout my service, I've never lost sight of the most crucial aspect – serving the people of Sarisbury who elected me in 15 separate elections. Thank you.



Welcome David Foot!

We are delighted to say that well-respected Councillor David Foot has joined our Conservative InTouch Team.

David has lived in Fareham all his life and has been involved in many charitable organisations over the years. He was elected as a Borough Councillor in 2022 and already holds a position on Fareham's powerful Executive.

He is working with local Councillors Seán Woodward and Joanne Burton to help other members of our community in tackling local issues and problems.

As a trustee of a local charity and a College Governor, David is a proactive and experienced campaigner; just the kind we need to keep up the good work for Sarisbury & Whiteley.

