

Our Local Titchfield Councillors Cllrs. Tiffany Harper & Connie Hockley: Working all-year-round for local people!



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Cllrs. Tiffany Harper & Connie Hockley Reporting Back

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Lee Victory Festival Celebrations!



The weekend of 23-24 September saw the Lee Victory festival take place, and for the first time, part of the celebrations took place at Daedalus (Solent Airport) by agreement from Fareham Council, who own the site.

Around 10,000 visitors enjoyed the event which included a fairground, play areas, food and bar facilities, Military re-enactment groups, static displays of World War 2 aircraft plus a flying display over the sea front and fly pasts by historic aircraft.

The weather was kind for most of the weekend and it was wonderful to see so many people enjoying themselves at this community focused event which allowed people to get remarkably close to military vehicles and aircraft and experience the sight and sound of these magnificent machines to which we owe so much.

A further event is planned for 2024 to commemorate the 80th anniversary of the D Day landings.

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

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Tiffany Harper & Connie Hockley



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Improving our Town Centre!

With the support of Councillors Tiffany Harper and Connie Hockley, Fareham Borough Council is making significant progress in rejuvenating and revitalising the Town Centre.

Following the Council's recent purchase of Fareham Shopping Centre and adjacent units, the Council is now turning its attention to a regeneration plan for the Town Centre.

Public meetings with residents and businesses are being planned early in 2024 to seek views for what they would like to see happen in their Town Centre.

Tiffany and Connie are working with the Council to get the whole community involved in the decision-making progress and they are eager to reshape the Town Centre to meet future needs.

The latest addition to Fareham Town Centre will be the new community, arts and entertainment venue of Fareham Live. With a total of almost 1,000 seats, it is already set to become a hugely important asset for the town, with new modern parking alongside.



Local Conservative Councillors are committed to regenerating the Town Centre!

The Christmas Lights Switch-on was also a great success again this year; thousands of residents of all ages attended the event, despite the rain!

The event really brought the town together and, if you didn't get the chance to go this year, it is definitely worth earmarking for next year as the Council continues works to improve the Centre.

Unveiling of King Charles III Coronation Bench



This wonderful new addition to the Queen Elizabeth II Platinum Jubilee Park was officially unveiled by the Mayor of Fareham, Councillor Fred Birkett, to commemorate the Coronation of King Charles III in 2023.

The bench was designed by Nigel Searle and created by Nigel Clutterbuck, John Duffield and Patrick Mannerings with the intention of incorporating items dear to the King.

Our local Councillor Connie Hockley said: "When you next visit this amazing park look out for the bench which is a fitting tribute to His Majesty for residents to enjoy for many years!"



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An update from Suella Braverman KC MP



Suella Braverman writes:

In November's Autumn Statement, the government has announced a tax cut for 27 million people from January, rewarding hard work across Fareham.

In addition, the government is simplifying tax for 2 million self-employed, and I am delighted this will benefit Fareham's entrepreneurs. With £11 million a year removed from business taxes, **this is the biggest tax cut in modern British history!**

Fareham Community Hospital: New Renal Unit

I was delighted to join the official opening of the new Dialysis Unit at Fareham Community Hospital. Thank you to the team at QA who have worked to open this new multi-million pound health care facility, supported by my Taskforce which I have chaired for several years.

The new 25 bed renal dialysis unit will provide life saving treatment to 150 patients a week, helping with chronic kidney disease who would otherwise have to travel make miles for intravenous iron infusions, outpatient care and dialysis. We estimate that this new service will save over 300,000 miles of travel and make treatment more available to thousands of patients.

This is the latest in improvements that we have seen in recent years at Fareham Community Hospital. My Taskforce has been working with health partners to facilitate greater usage of this fantastic Hospital and I'm glad that we've seen a new Chemotherapy unit, Vaccination centre and Same Day Access to a GP at FCH over the last few years.



Local News & Action from your Conservative Councillors...

Working for Titchfield & Titchfield Common all-year-round

Titchfield Fayre: Sunday 5th May 2024

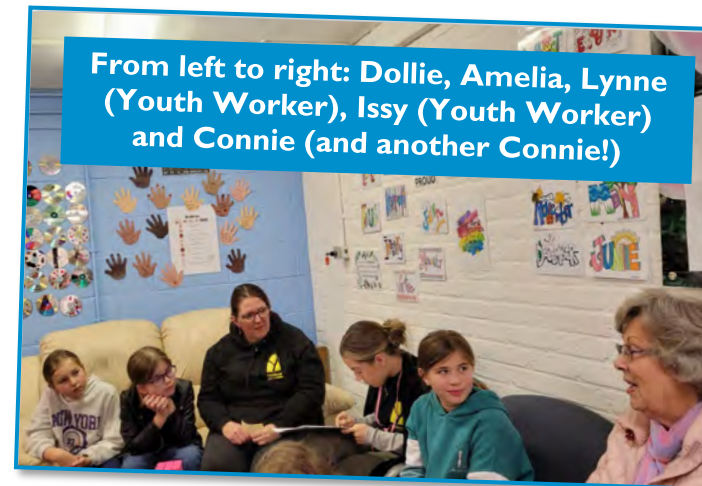
Titchfield Village is planning a fayre to be held on Barry's Meadow on Sunday 5th May 2024. The fayre will commence at 11.30 with a parade through the village of scooters, classic cars, marching bands and children dressed up as characters from their favourite books.

The parade will terminate in the car park at Barry's Field where the cars and scooters will be on display for the rest of the afternoon. The fayre itself will open at noon when people will be able to enjoy browsing a variety of stalls, test themselves with traditional games in the Fun Zone, enter their dogs into a dog show, watch and participate in a variety of entertainments, marvel at the creativity of the children entering the fancy dress competition and of course exercise their strength in the ever popular Tug of War.

There will also be a raffle with prizes donated by local businesses. All proceeds from the event will be shared amongst local good causes with some held back to support future village events.

It is hoped the weather will be kind and families will be able to bring picnics. Hot food will be available in The Queen's Head car park. The Titchfield Events committee is always looking for people to help or come forward with entertaining fund raising events. In addition if you are able to donate a raffle prize that would be most appreciated.

Please contact pam.jane.pritchard@gmail.com if you would like to offer your support.



From left to right: Dollie, Amelia, Lynne (Youth Worker), Issy (Youth Worker) and Connie (and another Connie!)

Thank you for the invite!

At the request of the young folk, recently our local Councillor Connie Hockley was invited to visit the Oasis Junior Youth Club in Titchfield to answer questions in respect of 'What it is like to be a Councillor?' together with some general chat about the work she undertook.

One of the general questions was 'What would do she do if lucky enough to win a £1m?!' This generated some very interesting answers! Connie thoroughly enjoyed her visit and hopes the young people will invite her again.

The Oasis Junior Youth Club meets at the Titchfield Community Centre on a Tuesday from 6.30pm-8.30pm. If anyone is interested in joining please contact Sarah whose email address is: sarah@yservices.co.uk

Fareham Council Executive Member 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.

Waste & Recycling Update



Ian has successfully lobbied Government Minister Rebecca Pow.

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

Mayor's Charity Tea Parties

The Mayor of Fareham, local Councillor Fred Birkett, holds regular charity tea parties in the Council Chamber to raise money for good causes.

The cost payable on the day is just £5, including a guest speaker and cold buffet. A raffle is also available at a small additional cost.

These events all commence on a Thursday at 2.30pm and will be held on the following dates:-

- * 8th February
- * 13th March
- * 11th April



Fred & Lisa Birkett

Fred's Mayoral Charities for 2023-2023 will be:

Sophie's Legacy: A childhood cancer charity advocating for change and better care.

Veterans Outreach Support: Supporting veterans from the UK Armed Forces, and Merchant Navy and their spouses & partners.