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# InTouch

**FAREHAM SOUTH WARD** 

# MP supports major plan for Cams Alders revamp

DISCUSSIONS are advancing fast towards a major revamp plan for Cams Alders.

User groups, including Fareham Town FC and Fareham Heathens RFC, are excited at the prospect of a complete modernisation and enhancement.

Fareham South **Conservative** candidate **Keith Barton**, who has been closely monitoring progress, said:

"Cams Alders is a real green gem in Fareham South Ward near the town centre, but most would agree it's looking tired.

"I know the Council wants a facility here that benefits not just the current users, but the community at large.

"This ward urgently needs more facilities and if you elect me on May 5 I promise you I will fight at every opportunity to see it gets them."

Keith Barton said the Council had engaged a specialist consultant, who was working with the 'Vision for Cams Alders' group, chaired by current Mayor Councillor Mike Ford, which comprises officers from the Council's leisure department and main user groups.

The Rainbow Centre and Palmerston Bowls Club are also involved and Fareham MP Suella Fernandes is supporting the plan.

#### THE VISION FOR CAMS ALDERS

- •Fareham Town and Fareham Heathens to share modern new, fully equipped building
- •To include facilities for local community use
- •Either side would be a 3G dual football/Rugby pitch & a grass Rugby pitch
- ·All-weather pitch available for public hire
- New MUGA (multi-use games area) with junior grass pitches proposed beside the Rainbow Centre
- •Rest of green area improved for public use



**Fans:** Fareham Town chairman Nick Ralls, Fareham MP Suella Fernandes and Keith Barton (right) have pitched in to give the plans for Cams Alders their full support.

**Suella** said: "Cams Alders is an excellent sports and leisure facility for young people and our local footballers but it needs vital upgrades. That's why I'm backing the campaign to improve Cams Alders so that it is fit for the 21st century.

**Keith Barton** added:" "There's only one children's play area in the entire Fareham South Ward.

"That is quite unacceptable, but it could all change with a brand new play area being incorporated into the Cams Alders scheme."



# 'Action is my motto but only after I've listened'



#### **Dear Residents**

#### OK, SO YOU'VE HEARD IT ALL BEFORE...

The promises, the pledges... And then you don't hear a word until they want your vote next time.

I do **NOT** fall into that category. You won't find me sitting back for the next 4 years because when I make a promise I keep it – or I don't make it at all.

When I knock on your door, it's for two purposes – to **LISTEN**, then to **ACT**.

It could be anything from a broken kerbstone or overgrown footpath to a major development affecting hundreds, **BUT**....If that kerbstone is annoying just one resident, then it's as important to that person – and to me – to resolve the matter as it is to deal with wider community problems.

With your backing I will make our community's voice heard, ensure we keep what is good and campaign for much needed improvements.

There is a long list of things to do and I am anxious to get started.

I believe I am already making a difference. I have been Deputy Chairman of Fareham Conservatives for 3 years, I'm a member of the Mayor's Charity Committee, have helped numerous charities and I'm a volunteer for St John Ambulance.

My main objectives if elected would be to focus on fighting the proposed Newlands development, arguing for better bus services, working for more facilities in South Ward, keeping an eye on anti-social behaviour, litter issues and our roads.

As your councillor on a **Conservative** council I can argue more effectively than outsiders for common sense solutions.

I will not promise to solve every problem but I

do promise to work hard and put Fareham South FIRST and I won't let you down.

I hope you will give me the opportunity to serve you in Fareham South and when you go to the ballot box on May 5, please pause and reflect upon **CONSERVATIVE** achievements in the ward and across the Borough.

Then vote for the **ONLY** party that can deliver the goods year after year while giving you value for every penny of your council tax.

Yours sincerely

Keith Barton

#### **WHAT WE HAVE ACHIEVED**

•Frozen your council tax for 7 years. We are 5th lowest of 201 councils in England

•New community centres in Fareham, Portchester, Whiteley. Many others upgraded. New £9m Holly Hill Leisure Centre at Sarisbury.

 Daedalus Solent Enterprise Zone to provide thousands of marine/aerospace/aviation jobs

·Hundreds of new affordable homes

•Upgrades/replacements for many children's play areas, skate parks, changing rooms and pavilions

•Millions in grants to local organisations. 100% charity shops rate relief

•Operation Reslience to improve roads across the borough

New Market Quay shopping centre and cinema

•Provided new CEMAST college, business innovation centre (now full), resurfaced runway at Solent Enterprise Zone, Daedalus

•Removed buses from Quay Street roundabout and provided new bus lane in Western Way

•Planned for most of our housing needs at Welborne to help protect strategic countryside gaps between Fareham and its villages

# A local man passionate for his home town

I have a passion for Fareham, where I was born and raised, nurtured by my grandfather who was a local businessman for over 60 years and did a lot for the community.

I have followed in his footsteps.

So I have the local knowledge to represent you on the Council.

I trained as a carpenter and then studied engineering and electronics at Fareham College.
Later, I went into computers, working as a field engineer with IBM.

I now work for myself within the computer industry.

I have had a lot of management experience and I would like to think I can bring more of a common sense approach to the Council.

I have been involved in community-based work

for the last 10 years.
I sat as a school governor for 6 years along with being involved with the 'Moving On' project in Fareham

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# Keith joins MP in battle to preserve Fort Fareham

FORT FAREHAM and other nearby historic defences are crumbling.

Keith Barton, **Conservative** candidate for Fareham South, has joined Fareham MP Suella Fernandes to try to save them.

After they had inspected the fortifications, Suella said: "Action must be taken now to try to stop history crumbling away for ever and I have met with Historic England to discuss conservation."

Keith Barton said: "Fareham has a wonderful, rich heritage and we have a duty to future generations to do our bit to conserve our culture."

The ring of forts and defences around Fareham, Gosport and Portsmouth was built in the 1860s on the orders of Prime Minister Lord Palmerston to defend the naval base against a threatened attack by the French.

#### WHAT WE PLAN TO DO

 Continue to maintain almost the lowest council tax in the country while making savings and preserving front-line services

•Plan for housing needs at Welborne to preserve countryside gaps between the town and villages

 Improve Newgate Lane by building new southern section, aim to achieve funding for Stubbington bypass which has planning consent

•Improve A27 between Segensworth and town centre with dual carriageway, redesign station roundabout/Gudge Heath Lane/Redlands Lane iunctions

 Continue to deliver a Vision for the Solent Enterprise Zone at Daedalus to provide thousands of highly skilled jobs and infrastructure

 Carefully consider plans for an electricity interconnector at Daedalus

•Work hard to ensure certain delivery of 6,000 homes and 6,000 jobs at Welborne by 2036, plus infrastructure (secondary school, 3 primary schools, bus rapid transit and a new all-moves M27 junction 10

•Fight hard any planning appeals which threaten our strategic countryside gaps

 Provide new parkland at Coldeast, new Western Wards cemetery



But the threat never materialised thanks to the Royal Navy's huge superiority and the forts became known as Palmerston's Follies.

Fort Fareham served as an atii-aircraft battery in World War 2 and afterwards as the Council's nuclear bunker, but much of it is overgrown.

# 'Give Keith your vote and he will give you his dedication'

Councillor Dennis Steadman: Keith is a hardworking person who helped me extensively in my re-election campaign in 2014, cementing our friendship even further.

He is a 'son of Fareham' and has been involved in many charity causes He will make an excellent candidate, easy to work with and I give him my full support, so please give him your vote and he will give you his dedication.

Councillor Trevor Howard: I have known Keith

for 10 years from within the Conservative party. He has worked very hard alongside me and others all around the borough.

Sadly, I have decided to retire from the Council but I feel Keith would make an excellent replacement for me to represent the people of Fareham South and I urge you to give him your vote on May 5.

Nikki Strong, community assistant at Fareham Academy: I believe Keith Barton would make a good councillor as he takes your views on board and does everything within his power to ensure any complaints or requests are dealt with effectively and efficiently.

Fareham MP Suella Fernandes: Keith is a hard-working local campaigner and will be a strong voice for the residents of Fareham South. Vote for Keith!

Keith Barton says: "When I knock on your door, it's to LISTEN – then to ACT. Nothing's too small. Try me."

# **Around South Ward with Keith Barton**

#### Back to his grass roots



Keith's first engineering job was with Dartmouth, so he was pleased to see how the company had progressed over the past 20 years when he paid a visit.

### Important social centre

Keith and retiring ward Councillor Trevor Howard help out at the Broadlaw Community Centre where a Tuesday club takes orders for vegetables and groceries.

Keith said: "Social activities such as this are an important part of the community and this helps some people who may struggle to get into town."

Damaged verges



A resident brought this on-going problem of vehicles destroying grass verges in Longfield Avenue to Keith's attention and he's promised to try to get dragons' teeth installed.

## Two stop



A newly refurbished and enlarged One Stop store recently reopened in Fareham South. Keith and Dennis paid it a visit to chat to staff and customers.

### It's always a laugh here



Always time for a chat and a picture, staff at the Ha Ha Hairdressers in Broadlaw Walk have a laugh with Keith and Dennis Steadman who were out talking to local people about local issues which need attention.

### Moving on



Keith, pictured with chairman David Pointon, has been involved in fund raising for the Moving On project which provides vital help for local children. He could do even more officiaslly as an elected councillor.

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