

Winter 2015

# Fareham TODAY

Update on Daedalus

A Wallington walk

Nominate a local hero

WIN a Christmas hamper



Christmas  
is coming

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BOROUGH COUNCIL

## A message from the Executive Leader of Fareham Borough Council, Councillor Seán Woodward

It's that time of year again with Christmas just around the corner and, as with every Christmas, events are being held in the Town Centre to get you into the Christmas spirit! Wrap up warm and come along to the light switch-on or the Christmas carol service. You'll find more details on page 12.

It's also time to vote for a local hero. Do you know someone who has done something amazing for our local community? If so, why not nominate them for a Citizen of Honour Award? We gave out awards to some incredible people in 2015 and the awards are now open again for nominations until Friday 29 January 2016.

You may have noticed the beautiful floral displays around the Borough again this year. The hard work of the 'In Bloom' team has definitely paid off as Fareham picked up a Gold award at the South and South East in Bloom Awards for the 12th consecutive year along with many other awards for sites such as Holly Hill Woodland Park and the Sensory Garden in Osborn Road.

Perhaps you have read in the press, or on our website, about our vision for the Solent Enterprise Zone at Daedalus, which explains how we see its future. Thank you to all of you who have made such helpful comments as it has developed. Now that we own the entire Enterprise Zone we want to make sure that it develops as a thriving employment area, attracting businesses and creating well-paid, highly-skilled jobs for local people. Indeed the Fareham Innovation Centre at Daedalus has recently been recognised with a special award from the Federation of Small Businesses. See pages 4 and 5 for our plans.

**Finally I would like to take this opportunity to wish you and your families a very Happy Christmas and a peaceful New Year. Please don't hesitate to get in touch with me if you have any ideas or suggestions for how we can improve the Borough that we all share.**



*Seán Woodward*

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# DAEDALUS VISION TAKES FLIGHT

Earlier this year we launched a draft Daedalus Vision, which explains how we see the future of the land we own at Daedalus over the next ten years.

It includes our objectives for the site and how we intend to achieve these, as well as the types of development and businesses we would like to see at Daedalus.



## Why do we need a Vision?

The site is currently split into four areas: Daedalus West, East, North and the airfield. We want to offer a variety of opportunities and facilities in these areas, including space for businesses, aviation, skills and innovation, as well as green space for the local community. We want to make sure that we make the most of the airfield in a way that serves the present and future needs of both businesses and residents. We are also working to make the airfield financially viable and enable flying here in the long term.

Over 500 people saw the Council's Vision in September at a combined exhibition and Community Action Team Meeting held in Stubbington. The feedback we received was very positive and many people were excited by the green space that we will be opening up for residents to enjoy.

## New roads to support residents and business

In addition to the road improvements on site, there are also plans for a number of major road improvements helping to ensure that Daedalus is an accessible place for business growth.

Hampshire County Council has submitted a planning application for Stubbington Bypass and Newgate Lane South. Both applications and all of the supporting plans and documents can be found on Hampshire County Council's website: [www.hants.gov.uk](http://www.hants.gov.uk)

Plans for the Stubbington Bypass route include:

- The construction of a new 3.5km single carriageway road linking Titchfield Road to Gosport Road
- Improvement works to Titchfield Road and Gosport Road
- New or improved junctions at Titchfield Gyratory, Bridge Street, Titchfield Road, Peak Lane, Gosport Road and Peel Common Roundabout
- Traffic management improvements in Stubbington Village to coincide with the opening of the new bypass

Funding to deliver the scheme has not yet been secured by Hampshire County Council.

Plans for Newgate Lane South include:

- The construction of a new 1.5km single carriageway road east of the existing Newgate Lane to provide a new connection from the improved Newgate Lane North section to Peel Common Roundabout
- The construction of a junction and link road to access the existing route of Newgate Lane



### Success so far

Daedalus has already achieved great things. Fareham College's Centre of Excellence in Engineering and Manufacturing Advanced Skills Training (CEMAST) celebrated its first birthday in July. It also won an award for Best Educational Building at the South and South East Building Excellence Awards.

The Innovation Centre had already exceeded an occupancy level of 55% in its first six months. Eleven businesses have moved into the building, creating 43 full time equivalent jobs. Fareham Borough Council was recognised for its work on the

Innovation Centre back in September. We won the Most Innovative Small Business Friendly Programme, Campaign or Project Award at the 2015 Federation of Small Businesses (FSB) Wessex Regional Local Authority Small Business Friendly Awards.

A new commercial building is currently under construction at Daedalus East, with another starting on site shortly.

Roads are also being built on the East area to allow new hangars and commercial buildings to be constructed. These should be finished in early 2016.

At Daedalus South, we have started to

make improvements on the airfield to attract more visiting aircraft, including better access to the beach and pilot facilities.

### What next?

We will shortly publish a master plan setting out more detail about how the site will be developed, which you can comment on later in the year.

If you would like to read the draft Daedalus vision please visit [www.fareham.gov.uk](http://www.fareham.gov.uk).

Full funding for this scheme has been secured by Hampshire County Council and, subject to planning permission being granted, construction could start in 2017/18.

**A decision for the Stubbington Bypass and Newgate Lane South will be made by Hampshire County Council. Please visit [www.hants.gov.uk](http://www.hants.gov.uk) for an update.**





# Walking in a Wallington Wonderland

It might be cold outside, but a brisk walk along the tranquil Wallington River will soon warm you up and beat those winter blues.

## Walk duration:

1 hour (approx.)

## Parking:

Wallington Village Hall, Broadcut, Fareham, PO16 8ST (restricted to 3 hrs Monday – Friday)

## Important info

- Some pathways may be difficult for wheelchairs and pushchairs.
- Some areas can be flooded and muddy after wet weather.
- The walk is suitable for dog walkers, however due to the presence of animals in certain areas; it is advisable to keep dogs on leads.
- Wear visible clothing and carry a torch if you go in the evening, as some areas will not be well lit.

## The Route

Starting from the Wallington Village Hall car park, turn right onto Broadcut to escape the hustle and bustle of the depot and Fareham Industrial Park. If you follow this road to the end you will reach a T-junction, where you will find a small path opposite, heading north. Cross the road to reach the path, and follow a windy trail through the trees, minding the brambles.

Following the trail you will come to a footbridge crossing over the noisy M27. Once you cross this, continue along a bridleway leading to the left. Watch out as the ground may be muddy! When you come to the end of this bridleway, you will reach a country road with North Fareham Dairy Farm on your right.

Continue along this country road very carefully as traffic comes from both directions. Follow the road as it bends to the right, leading you through a 'rabbit-hole' of trees. Still taking care, wander along this road where you will reach a small bridge. Just along from this bridge there is a junction, where you will need to turn right. Look out for Spurlings Farm on your left. Keep walking along until you reach a metal gate and a footpath which will lead you through a field

Horses are present in this field from time to time so, if you are a dog walker, it is best to keep them on their lead.

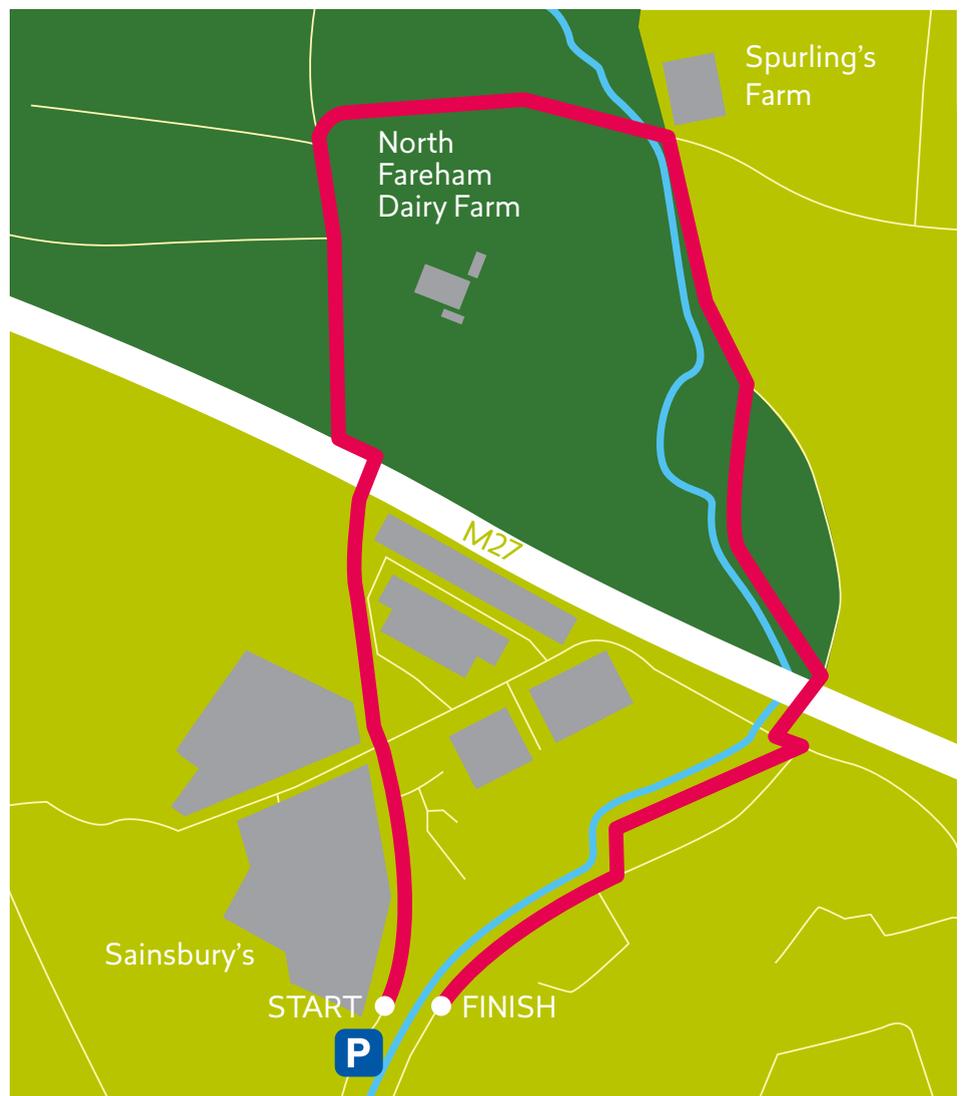
You might want to stop and admire the scenic view of the landscape before continuing in a diagonal direction across the field where you will meet up with the Wallington River at a wooden footbridge. On the opposite side of the meadow you will come to the motorway underpass.

Follow this path until you meet a road.

Look out for a hidden entrance on the opposite side (yellow arrow marker stickers are visible) and enter the path to discover another big meadow. If you are walking your dog, you can let it off to run around freely. Once your dog has had a good run, or you have enjoyed a well-deserved rest, look for a small gap to the left of the meadow. Here you will be reacquainted with the Wallington River.

Continuing along the river you will reach a footbridge which leads you into the quaint village of Wallington. Stroll through and enjoy the pretty location, perhaps even stopping for a well-deserved drink at the White Horse pub.

Just opposite the White Horse is another footbridge, and this leads you back to Wallington Village Hall and your Wallington walk finale



# Portchester House

## A pretty piece of history

Portchester House is situated west of Portchester Castle. Over the past six hundred years, the Grade 2 listed building has had a number of occupants but current owners, Peter and Sue Lucas, have now been living there for forty years; plenty of time to uncover some of the house's best kept secrets.



### Back in time

Portchester House dates from about 1725 although local knowledge says that it could have been older, dating back as early as 1600.

Evidence suggests the house was constructed for the Chandler family. Bartholomew Chandler, a Lieutenant in the Royal Navy, lies buried beneath the chancel floor of St Mary's Church in the castle grounds.

A plaque on the building states that Portchester House was leased to the government as a prisoner of war hospital in 1756, during the Napoleonic wars.

One resident who lived and worked at the house for more than 50 years was talented watercolour artist Emily Farmer. Two of her famous works 'In Doubt' [1881] and 'Kitty's Breakfast' [1883] are now on display in the Victoria and Albert Museum.

### A haunted house

According to Peter, the house was certainly haunted. He recalls:

"A friend and his dog came to stay while we were away overnight. We came back early the following morning to find them huddled under the kitchen table. He told us he couldn't sleep in the 'Blue Room' after he had 'encountered the presence of someone else there'.

"Our friend explained: 'The dog was terrified and so was I; it followed me downstairs but, fortunately, would not come in to the kitchen. I locked the doors!'

"Some time later another friend was helping me with some DIY – again in the 'Blue Room'. My friend was downstairs and I went into the garage. Upon my return, I heard him talking to someone. Surprised, I asked him who he was talking to.

He replied 'I've had a very strange conversation with your mate above. Who is he?'

"There was a deathly hush as no-one else was in the building. This time, even my hair stood on end!

"Odd as it may seem this incident didn't put us off living at Portchester House. My wife Sue has a way with dogs and children and after having just one encounter with the

ghost, we think he has decided to move on – for this decade at least!"

### Portchester House Today

Peter has lived in Portchester House for 40 years. He moved out of Old Portsmouth where he had lived opposite the family run business, Lucas Sails, which specialises in making sails and bespoke awnings.

"I wanted to be near the water and have an open space for my children to enjoy and Portchester House came up. It is a pretty house with a nice atmosphere, ideal for a family."

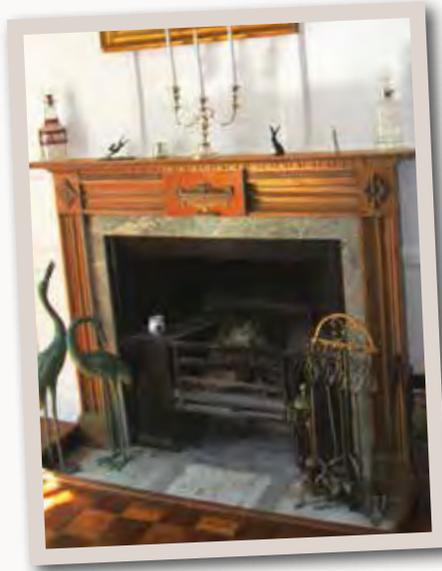
"Improvements carried out include re-wiring, re-plumbing, re-rendering and trying to make the house as economic to run as we can. It is a precious place and we have a duty to maintain it to a high standard."

### Key Features

Portchester House started out as a small cottage with the west and east wing added later. It is believed that it became fully habitable in 1900.

The tranquil property is 6000sq. ft in total with a separate field nearby. This was previously used as pasture for resident horses but nowadays the paddock is kept mowed and largely used as an extended garden for the family and all the pets. It also makes a good venue for a family wedding!

The long, thin pantry was the original kitchen, with the current kitchen a clever conversion of the stables. Sue, an interior designer, says "Although we have





remodelled the kitchen, we have ensured it is not too modern by keeping the tone and colours both traditional and appropriate.”

The kitchen backs out onto a breathtaking garden which features a pretty water feature and six pillars erected by a former occupant in the 1930s. Private, light and sunny, the garden is a favourite for hosting hog roasts and BBQs for the local community to help raise money for St Mary’s Church. The garden is also home to one of Portchester House’s oldest residents; a Yew tree that is thought to be 400 years old!

### Upstairs, Downstairs

Starting from the cellar, the main chimney climbs up through the house. There is also a kiln and a coal bunker. Evidence suggests that there could have been an underground passage leading to the castle in the past.

Leading upstairs into Emily Farmer’s former studio (now a guest bedroom), the array of windows show how Emily could have taken advantage of the different light sources whilst painting.

Further exploration reveals an east window that looks out onto the heavily weeded moat of Portchester Castle whilst inside, one of the newer features is a glorious open roof space converted by Sue 30 years ago.

There is no doubt that the Lucas family have transformed Portchester House into a beautiful home, whilst not forgetting the important pieces of history that lay within the walls.



# Events for your diary

You can view details of these and other events taking place in Fareham Borough by visiting our 'What's On' page at [www.fareham.gov.uk/whats\\_on](http://www.fareham.gov.uk/whats_on) \*Free event

## REGULAR

### Countryside Conservation\*

Help with woodland and grassland management at Warsash Common, New Road entrance.

Ages 18+

Contact the Countryside Service

First Sunday of the month, 10.00am

### Traditional Market\*

In the pedestrian area of West Street, Fareham. Also being held on Thursday 19 November and Thursday 26 November.

Mondays weekly, 9.00am – 3.00pm

### Fareham Farmers' Market\*

In the pedestrian area of West Street, Fareham.

First Saturday of the month, 9.00am – 2.00pm  
Plus Saturday 19 December

### Seasonal Market\*

In the pedestrian area of West Street, Fareham.

Every Thursday from 19 November plus  
Friday 4 December, Saturday 5 December,  
Friday 11 December, Saturday 12 December,  
Friday 18 December, Saturday 19 December.  
9.00am – 3.00pm

## TICKETS

Ferneham Hall, Osborn Road,  
Fareham, PO16 7DB

01329 231942

For full details of:

Town centre events, visit

[www.farehamtowncentre.co.uk](http://www.farehamtowncentre.co.uk)

Countryside Service: 01329824843

## NOVEMBER

Friday 27 November

### SNAP

An alcohol and drug free night held at Ferneham Hall for young people aged 11 – 16 years old.

Tickets cost £6.

More info on page 19.

Saturday 28 November and

Sunday 29 November

### The Big Christmas Weekend\*

Fareham Town Centre, West Street.

More details on page 12.

## DECEMBER

Saturday 5 December

### The Holly & the Ivy

Christmas decoration workshop.

St Margaret's Nurseries, St Margaret's Lane, Titchfield

Sessions are available to book for 10am - 11.30am and 12pm - 1.30pm.

Tickets: £8.00 to include a wreath or table piece and refreshments.

Book directly with Nursery: 01329 846006.

Saturday 5 December, 9.00am – 3.00pm

### Craft and Gift Fair\*

West Street, Fareham. Local traders selling a range of crafts & gifts

Thursday 17 December 4.30pm - 7.00pm

### Christmas Carol Concert\*

Performance Podium, West Street Fareham

More details on page 12 and 13.

## MARCH

Saturday 19 March

### The Great Easter Eggstravaganza

The Easter event with a difference through the beautiful woodlands of Holly Hill.

Meet at the Holly Hill Woodland Park main car park, off Barnes Lane, Sarisbury Green.

Start 12.00 noon with phased entry times until last entry at 4.00pm.

£6.00 per child. This event is always a sell out so book early. Tickets from Ferneham Hall.





# Bringing People & Parks Together

## Fareham just keeps on Blooming

What a wonderful time we had this year at the South and South East in Bloom Awards. Fareham achieved its 12th consecutive winning entry in the 'Small City' category, receiving a Gold Award.

The Borough was recognised for its beautiful parks and community open spaces at the annual awards ceremony held in September. Five parks and gardens came out on top with Gold awards for Holly Hill Woodland Park, Sensory Garden of Reflection, Westbury Manor Garden, Warsash Common and the Civic Gardens.

The Borough also received the

Hampshire County award as the entry with the highest marks.

Northern Junior Community School received a Gold level award and were overall Hampshire Winners in the Schools category.

Portchester Memorial Gardens also achieved a Gold award in the Business Landscape category.



## It's your neighbourhood

There were four entries into the national 'It's Your Neighbourhood' initiative. Fareham Conservation Volunteers, the Residents of Burnham Wood, Fareham Crofton Cricket Club and Sarisbury Athletic Cricket Club all once again received the highest award level of Outstanding, Fareham and Crofton Cricket Club received the Thriving level and The Fareham Conservation Volunteers received a Certificate of Distinction.

## Green fingered residents

Local gardeners were also recognised at the annual Fareham in Bloom presentation evening held in September which was sponsored by Fareham Shopping Centre, Portchester Memorial Gardens and St Margaret's Nurseries. Residents, communities and businesses picked up awards for their wonderful gardens with just over 200 entries this year, many receiving the highest level of Gold.

## Art competition for youngsters

Hundreds of young artists took part in this year's 'In Bloom' art competition, sponsored by Fareham Shopping Centre. The theme was 'Life on the beach' and the three winners were chosen from 380 entries. The designs will set the scene for a new wild flower meadow in 2016.

For further information on In Bloom, Community Horticulture and Parks Events please contact:  
Matt Wakefield, Horticultural Development Office , **01329 824 543**.



# THE BIG Christmas

SATURDAY

28

NOVEMBER

## CHRISTMAS ART & DESIGN FAYRE

Original work from artists and design-led craft makers incl. glassware, pottery, textiles, jewellery, photography and much more, plus festive food stalls. Ideal Christmas gifts at affordable prices **9am–5pm**

SUNDAY

29

NOVEMBER

## CHRISTMAS LIGHTS SWITCH-ON & FIREWORKS DISPLAY

SWITCH-ON  
4.45PM

A great family day out. Live music and performances, festive food stalls, funfair rides, giant snow globe and a firework display. Hosted by Breeze FM **11am–5pm**



## MEET SANTASAURUS

Visit the Christmas Grotto and meet Santasaurus at Westbury Manor Museum **2pm – 5pm**  
Tickets cost £3 and go on sale from 21 November  
**Call 01329 822063 to book**

For more info visit [www.farehamtowncentre.co.uk/events](http://www.farehamtowncentre.co.uk/events)



WEST STREET, FAREHAM TOWN CENTRE

# WEEKEND

**JUST FOR  
THE KIDS!**

**Free activities** at Westbury Manor Museum

Sat 28: 10am-4pm and Sun 29: 2pm-5pm

Face painting, festive workshops, plus see the reindeer!



THURSDAY

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DECEMBER

## CHRISTMAS CAROL CONCERT

Performance Podium, West Street, Fareham.

Listen to local choir groups including the

HMS Collingwood Volunteer Band.

Free mince pies with the compliments of Christians

Together in Fareham **4.30pm-7pm**

THURSDAY

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NOVEMBER

## WHAT'S IN STORE AT FAREHAM SHOPPING CENTRE?

THROUGH TO

THURSDAY

24

DECEMBER

Late night shopping, Christmas Grotto,  
meet Toffee Bear, competitions and prizes  
and lots more!

More info at [www.farehamshopping.com](http://www.farehamshopping.com)





# Our Parking Enforcement Officers are here to help

Parking Enforcement Officers may not have the best reputation but we are trying to change that in Fareham!

Our Parking Team has been working with consultants, Vanguard, to look at the way in which they do things to make the overall experience better for our customers.

Our Civil Enforcement Officers are now using their judgement and discretion more, before they serve a Penalty Charge Notice (PCN). When they can they are engaging and listening to the customer and talking to them about why they have parked inappropriately, meaning that the customer is less likely to make the same mistake in the future. It also means that people now understand why they get a parking ticket in the first place.

Of course, this doesn't mean that we have completely stopped issuing Penalty Charge Notices! If someone is parked incorrectly with no valid reason, they will still be given a PCN. But our new way of working means that we can work with the customer; hopefully resulting in fewer tickets being issued, and happier residents!



For more information on parking in Fareham visit [www.fareham.gov.uk/parking](http://www.fareham.gov.uk/parking)

We know that most of you are mindful of where you park, but here are a few tips:

- Avoid parking on dropped kerbs. Wheelchairs and pushchairs might not be able to get past on the pavement.
- Don't park on grass verges or pavements. It can cause damage and blocks the path.
- Don't park on zig-zags, single or double lines.
- Avoid parking within 10 metres of a junction. It can reduce visibility.
- Don't park in front of driveways or right outside of a window.



# Introducing The Portchester to Paulsgrove Coastal Defence Scheme

**There are currently 392 homes and businesses at risk from coastal flooding in Portchester and Paulsgrove.** This is expected to increase with sea level rise to 685 properties by the year 2115.

Plans to improve coastal flood defences in the area are now being developed thanks to the approval for funding from the Environment Agency received in July.

The design of new defences will aim to reduce the risk of flooding and erosion from the sea for the next 100 years. They will cover 2.4km of coastline along Portsmouth Harbour from Portchester Castle, along the A27 to Paulsgrove.

The project is being run by the Eastern Solent Coastal Partnership (ESCP) on behalf of Fareham Borough Council and Portsmouth City Council. The environmental and engineering consultant CHM2 Hill has been appointed to support the project design.

The project team will be working with the local community over the coming year to develop the coastal defence options. This will include holding some public drop-in exhibitions where you will have the opportunity to view and comment on the plans as they evolve. Keep an eye out for more details over the coming months.

For more information email  
**info@escp.org.uk**

or call the ESCP team on  
**02392 446 140.**

You can also follow the ESCP on  
Facebook at

**facebook.com/EasternSolent  
CoastalPartnership**

and Twitter

**@EasternSolentCP.**

## GOSPORT WAR MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

### Invitation to contact the Gosport Independent Panel

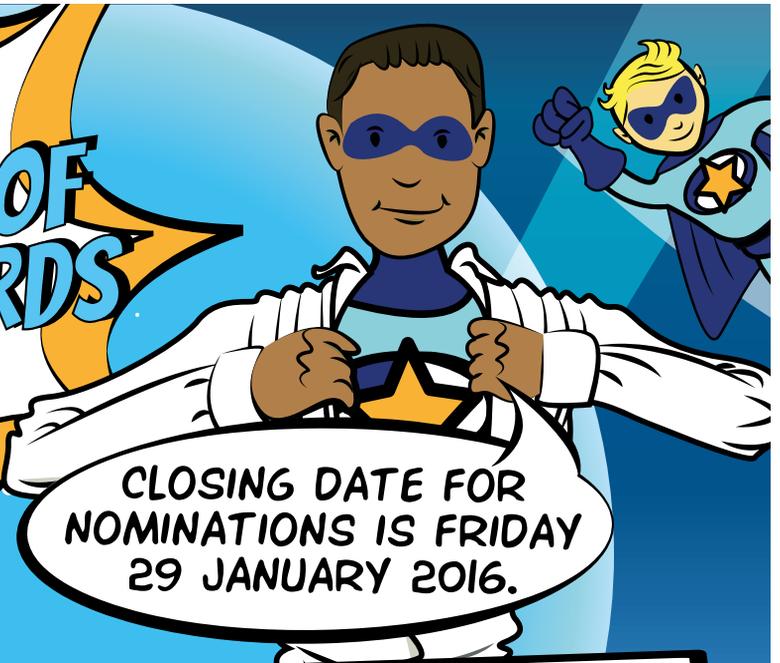
The Gosport Independent Panel has been set up by Parliament to investigate historic concerns raised about the care and subsequent deaths of older people at Gosport War Memorial Hospital from the 1980s through to the early 2000s. The Panel will review documentary evidence held by a range of organisations and individuals.

As Chair of the Panel, I would like to invite anyone who wishes to raise any concerns about the treatment of patients at Gosport War Memorial Hospital during this period to contact the Panel. Many families have concerns about the way their relatives were treated and how their complaints have been handled. I want to make sure families' views are taken into account and fully considered by the Panel.

You can contact the Panel in confidence by completing the contact form at <https://gosportpanel.independent.gov.uk/contact/> or by emailing [enquiries@gosportpanel.independent.gov.uk](mailto:enquiries@gosportpanel.independent.gov.uk) or by calling 0207 972 4212 during normal office hours.

**BISHOP JAMES JONES**  
Chair of the Gosport Independent Panel

# CITIZEN AND YOUNG CITIZEN OF HONOUR AWARDS 2016



**CLOSING DATE FOR  
NOMINATIONS IS FRIDAY  
29 JANUARY 2016.**

**DO YOU KNOW A LOCAL HERO?  
NOMINATE A CITIZEN OF HONOUR AND CELEBRATE SOMEONE  
WHO HAS DONE SOMETHING AMAZING FOR OTHERS!**

**WHAT CAN THEY BE NOMINATED FOR?**  
**YOUNG CITIZENS (UNDER 18) CAN BE NOMINATED FOR:**

- SHOWING BRAVERY
- HELPING PEOPLE VOLUNTARILY OR HELPING OTHERS AT SCHOOL OR COLLEGE

**ADULT CITIZENS (18+) CAN BE NOMINATED FOR:**

- PROVIDING A VOLUNTARY SERVICE
- GIVING HELP TO THE LOCAL COMMUNITY OR CARING FOR AN INDIVIDUAL WITH A DEBILITATING CONDITION OR LONG-TERM ILLNESS

<b>THE PERSON YOU WISH TO NOMINATE</b>		<b>ABOUT YOU</b>	
I confirm that the person I would like to nominate lives in the borough and is not a family member.			
<b>HOW OLD ARE THEY?</b> PLEASE TICK A BOX <input type="checkbox"/> 4-11 <input type="checkbox"/> 12-17 <input type="checkbox"/> 18+	<b>REASONS FOR YOUR NOMINATION.</b>	<b>YOUR NAME:</b>	
<b>NAME:</b>		<b>ADDRESS:</b>	
<b>DATE OF BIRTH:</b>			
<b>ADDRESS:</b>			
<b>EMAIL:</b>		<b>YOUR EMAIL:</b>	
<b>TEL:</b>		<b>YOUR TEL:</b>	

N.B. If the nominee is being put forward by a group of people, please use one nomination form and list your contact details on a separate sheet. Successful applicants only will be notified by 31 March 2016.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO NOMINATE ONLINE VISIT  
WWW.FAREHAM.GOV.UK/CITIZENAWARDS OR CALL 01329 236100.**

# I TOOK THE PLEDGE!

recycle  
for Fareham

## Can you take the pledge?

Enter the prize draw to win a Christmas hamper

**I PLEDGE** to recycle from every room in the house.



- paper
- card
- tins
- cans
- plastic bottles
- aerosols

**I PLEDGE** not to put plastic bags in my recycling bin.

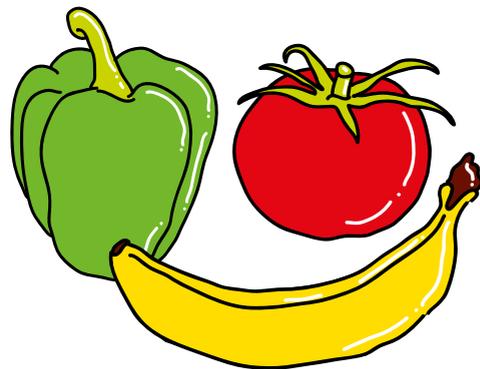


**I PLEDGE** to go the extra mile to recycle more by:



- taking jars and bottles to glass banks
- using a home composter
- taking clothes to textile banks, charity shops, jumble sales

**I PLEDGE** to consider the amount of food I waste and find ways to reduce it.



Look out for the bin collection calendar coming through the post, or check online, for your Christmas collections!

To take the pledge and to enter the prize draw to win a Christmas hamper visit  
[www.fareham.gov.uk/recycling](http://www.fareham.gov.uk/recycling)

# Talking to Fareport

Conceived in 1994, Fareport Talking News provides an important service for blind and visually impaired people in the Fareham and Gosport area with coverage spreading to one hundred square miles.

Broadcasting local news and other articles of interest, the talking newspaper charity is one of over 450 Talking Newspapers and Magazines being produced, in the UK, for blind and visually impaired listeners. Before establishing itself at Crofton Community Centre in Stubbington, the first broadcasts were made in an upstairs room at Radio Haslar in HMS Dolphin (now Fort Blockhouse)!

Temporarily relocating above the Gosport bus depot, Fareport Talking News got its big break and received two National Lottery grants, which enabled the service to set up base at a purpose built office and recording studio in Stubbington.

From here the listener base really began to flourish and the service became the first talking newspaper in the country to begin the transition to CDs, before moving on to memory sticks.

## Meeting the Team

The Fareport Talking News team consists of 44 volunteers in total; six editors, 12 readers, wallet fillers & emptiers and five technicians.

Ex vice chairman, Dee Batu works as one of the editors for the talking newspaper. She has recently been honoured at the Fareham Citizen of Honour awards for her commitment in helping visually impaired people in Fareham.

Hailing originally from Derbyshire, Terry Wilson, ex-chairman and volunteer technician, along with his wife Helen (a volunteer editor), joined Fareport Talking News in 1999 following a dinner with two of the founders, Doug and Dillys Griffith.

“We wanted to put something back in after retiring” said Terry. “Over the 16 years, we have got to know our listeners and really enjoyed helping to provide them with an interesting and entertaining weekly audio programme which is available for free to the



registered blind or visually impaired.

“I love it, it is one of the best things that I have done with my life”, says volunteer Suzie Lyczywek, a digital technician.

Steve Brickell, a volunteer reader, was determined to get involved as his mother Maisie benefits from the service. “Her eyesight is deteriorating from macular degeneration”, he explains, “and this service is a lifeline for her. It is the only way she can get up to speed with the local news.”

Recording days are always on a Monday. Typically there will be two technicians present (audio and computer), two readers and an editor presenter. The presenter scans the previous week’s newspaper and magazine publications for news stories, entertainment features, recipes, gardening news, what’s on, sports results, interviews with local people and celebrities and much, much more! Broadcasts are copied onto memory sticks and distributed free, via the Post Office, to the listener base later that day.

## What is next for Fareport Talking News?

As well as producing the weekly broadcast the Fareport team record the audio version of Fareham Today and Coastline. They can also be found promoting the service at the 55+ winter warmth exhibition, an event put on by Gosport Council along with various locations such as hospitals, surgeries, opticians, supermarkets and other local community events. If you see them please stop by and say hello!

“We need to get the message out there and we appreciate any help we can get.” Terry

Finally, when asked if given the opportunity to get a guest reader along, who would it be, his choice was the well-known broadcaster Pam Ayres .....so watch this space!



## Want to help?

If you know of anyone who is blind or visually impaired who could be interested in receiving Fareport Talking News, please contact : [info@talkingnews-fareport.org.uk](mailto:info@talkingnews-fareport.org.uk) or phone the recording studio on 01329 664364.

Fareport Talking News is always on the lookout for potential volunteers to help with the production of this very worthwhile service. So if you fancy a challenging and rewarding voluntary role, please do not hesitate to get in touch.



# DANCE THE NIGHT AWAY AT SNAP!

SNAP is an alcohol and drug free night held at Ferneham Hall for young people aged 11 – 16 years old.

Dance with friends, play games and competitions and enjoy the music!

Plus, see performances by stars from The X Factor and other bands and singers.

Tickets cost £6 and can be booked online at [www.snapdc.co.uk](http://www.snapdc.co.uk), in person at the Ferneham Hall Box Office or by calling **01329 231 942**.

**Next Event:**  
Friday 27 November, 7pm – 10.30pm

**Christmas Comes Early!**  
Strike a pose in the festive photo booth, have a go on the bucking reindeer, and enjoy a festive mocktail.

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Friday 12 February 2016  
**Valentines SNAP**



## WHAT TO KNOW... AND WHEN TO GO

If you have an accident or illness, it can be difficult to know which NHS service to use and when.



Though your local hospital's Emergency Department might seem the easiest choice, choosing a more appropriate service can often be more convenient - and save you time waiting in a long queue.

Pharmacies, GPs and minor injury units can all help you instead.

The Emergency Department should only be used as the name implies, in an emergency.

Call 111 if you're unsure of the best place to go, and fully trained advisers can help you make the right decision.

A helpful guide – 'What to know...and when to go' can be downloaded from

the NHS Fareham and Gosport Clinical Commissioning Group website at [www.farehamandgosportccg.nhs.uk](http://www.farehamandgosportccg.nhs.uk)

For urgent – but not emergency - care or advice, your options are:

**NHS 111**  
Call if you need advice 24/7

**A walk-In centre or Minor Injuries Unit,**  
Such as the one at Gosport War Memorial Hospital, for minor injuries such as deep cuts or sprains. No appointment necessary

**GPs**  
Local GPs offer same-day 'urgent' appointments, and run clinics outside of normal office hours

**Pharmacies**  
Offer expert advice on everyday health issues. Most pharmacies now have private consultation areas.

**Out-of-hours GP services**  
Just because it is the evening or the weekend, doesn't mean you can't get a doctor. Call NHS 111.

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## November

### FMS - And Then There Were None

Thursday 5 – Saturday 7 Nov 7.30pm  
(plus Saturday matinee at 2.30pm) £11 – £13

### The Fareham Antique & Collectors Fair

Sunday 8 Nov 10.30am – 4pm £1.50

### Buddy Holly and the Cricketers

Thursday 12 Nov 7.30pm £18.50 – £19.50

### Purple Zeppelin

Friday 13 Nov 7.30pm £15.50 – £17.50

### Everyone Active Dance School

Saturday 14 Nov 3.00pm Prices TBC

### Monsoon School of Dance

Sunday 15 Nov 7.00pm Prices TBC

### Sensational 60's

Friday 20 Nov 7.30pm £24 – £26

### KK School of Dance

Saturday 21 Nov 7.30pm Prices TBC

### Christmas Crooners – Baby It's Cold Outside

Monday 23 Nov 2.30pm £15.50 – £16.50

### Tony Stockwell – An Evening of Mediumship

Wednesday 25 Nov 7.30pm £18.50 – £20

### SNAP Dance Night

Friday 27 Nov  
7.00pm-10.30pm £6 in advance

### Open Mic

Saturday 28 Nov  
Admission via [openmicuk.co.uk](http://openmicuk.co.uk)

### Royal Marines Band

Sunday 29 Nov 2.30pm £14 – £16.50

## December

### Murder Mystery Evening

Saturday 5 Dec 7.30pm £34

### Dick Whittington

Friday 11 Dec – Sunday 3 Jan £12 – £19

### Murder Mystery Evening

Sunday 13 Dec 7.30pm £34

### Laughter Live! Comedy Club

Friday 18 Dec 8.00pm £10

### Murder Mystery Evening

Saturday 19 Dec 7.30pm £34

## January

### Circus of Horrors

Sunday 10 Jan 7.30pm £23.50

### Kermel School of Dance

Sunday 24 Jan 3.00pm £11 – £12

### Count Duckula – The Jewels of Ducku

Saturday 30 Jan 11.00am £8 – £10

### Megaslam: American Wrestling Live!

Saturday 30 Jan 7.30pm £10 – £15

## February

### Havant Chamber Orchestra

Saturday 6 Feb 7.30pm £1 – £20

### SNAP Dance Night

Friday 12 Feb 7.00pm £6 in advance

### Hits Of Motown – starring Roy Hemmings

Saturday 13 Feb 7.30pm £23

### The Fareham Antique & Collectors Fair

Sunday 14 Feb 10.30am – 4.00pm £1.50

### Paul Carroll's Music Hall Tavern

Thursday 18 Feb 7.30pm £23 – £25

### Laughter Live! Comedy Club

Saturday 20 Feb 8.00pm £10

### The Syd Lawrence Orchestra

Thursday 25 Feb 7.30pm £17.50 – £18.50

### That'll Be The Day

Friday 26 Feb 7.30pm £24 – £26

### Chas and Dave

Saturday 27 Feb 7.30pm £26.50 – £29.50

### Kim Ellen School of Dance – Showtime '16

Sunday 28 Feb  
2.00pm & 6.00pm £10 – £12

## March

### Jethro

Wednesday 2 March 7.30pm £19.50

### The Wall of Floyd

Saturday 5 March 7.30pm £15 – £18

### Gerry and The Pacemakers

Thursday 10 March 7.30pm £20

### FMS Anything Goes

Tuesday 15 – Saturday 19 March 7.30pm  
(plus Saturday matinee at 2.30pm) £11.25 – £14

### Jenny Docherty – Medium

Thursday 17 March 7.30pm £10

### Starz Academy

Sunday 20 March 1.00pm & 3.15pm Prices TBC

### Nathan Carter

Tuesday 22 March 7.30pm £22.50

### Pasha Kovalev

Thursday 24 March 7.30pm £27

### Fareham Stage Dance Festival

Sat 26 March –  
Sat 2 April Various Times Prices TBC

Events are correct at time of going to print. Some events may be subject to change.



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