Welcome to your latest edition of Fareham Today. As we welcome the start of a new year we have a lot to look forward to across the Borough in 2018. They are sure to be toasting the new year at Daedalus where work to expand Fareham Innovation Centre is nearing completion. The extension will create 33 new offices and five workshops, where growing companies in the marine, aerospace and aviation advanced engineering sectors can access bespoke workspace and business support (see photos on page 4).

Of course, the start of a new year is a chance to look back at the year that has passed, and one of the highlights of 2017 were our spectacular and ‘very large’ Christmas celebrations in Fareham Town Centre. Thousands of people came to see our fantastic Winter Giant, who made his way down West Street and helped the Mayor switch on our Christmas lights (see pages 8/9). This was something we’d never done before for our festive celebrations and it was great to see so many people enjoying themselves.

With the winter months upon us, there is the increased risk of extreme weather, that’s why I’m pleased to see work to improve the seawall barrier at Hill Head is now complete. We worked in partnership with the Eastern Solent Coastal Partnership on this project which will protect that part of our coastline into the future (more on page 6).

You may have seen publicity about our Citizen of Honour Awards. The awards recognise people in our community who have gone above and beyond, for example with voluntary work, caring for someone or an act of bravery. If this sounds like someone you know, why not put them forward for a Citizen or Young Citizen of Honour Award and show them how special they are? There is a nomination form on the right.

Finally, I always appreciate it when residents get in touch with comments or suggestions. Perhaps you have an idea for how we can improve something or want to tell me about a Council service you receive? Together we can ensure our Borough stays a prosperous, safe and attractive place to live and work. I wish you all a happy and successful new year.
**Citizen & Young Citizen of Honour Awards 2018**

**Who is your hero?**

Do you know someone who goes above and beyond in the community?

Nominate them for a Citizen of Honour Award and show them how special they are.

**What can they be nominated for?**
- Outstanding Bravery
- Volunteering
- Looking after others
- Or for just doing something amazing!

### The person you wish to nominate

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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 will be notified by 31 March 2018.

Please send the nomination form in the post to: Fareham Borough Council, Civic Offices, Civic Way, Fareham, PO16 7AZ or drop it into us at the Civic Offices.

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For more information and to nominate online visit [www.fareham.gov.uk/citizenawards](http://www.fareham.gov.uk/citizenawards) or call 01329 236100

**Closing date for nominations**

31 January 2018
Getting bigger and better!

A £7m project to extend Fareham Innovation Centre at Daedalus is progressing well.

When it’s complete the extension will provide 3,400 square metres of new floor space, 33 new offices, five new workshops and spacious new conference facilities. This will add to the top of the range facilities and support already provided at the Innovation Centre for new businesses, especially those in the engineering, aerospace, aviation and marine industries.

The project has been developed and funded by Fareham Borough Council, and supported by £2m funding from Solent Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP). It is anticipated around 300 highly skilled new job opportunities will be created with the extension, providing a boost to both Daedalus and the local economy.

In November, a ‘topping out’ ceremony was held there to mark the completion of external construction. The Mayor of Fareham, Cllr Geoff Fazackerley, performed the ceremonial duty by hanging a door inside the facility. The project is expected to be finished in Spring 2018.

IFA2 UPDATE
In November, new designs for the National Grid Interconnector and public open space at Daedalus were approved by the Council’s Planning Committee. You can see the new designs on our website at www.fareham.gov.uk/ifa2
Look out for more news about IFA2 in our next issue.

The conference facility includes outdoor space overlooking Solent Airport
Working to improve our air quality

One of our duties as a council is to monitor local air quality. This is an ongoing priority for us as it contributes to the health and wellbeing of our residents.

We have more than 40 air quality monitoring sites throughout the Borough, which allow us to track levels of potentially harmful emissions, such as nitrogen dioxide (an emission from vehicle exhausts).

In Autumn, the Government published a new National Air Quality Plan, looking at ways to reduce nitrogen dioxide pollution from the UK’s roads. The report highlighted a number of places across the country which need to do more to improve their air quality, including Fareham. The area of road identified in the report is from the A– near the Delme roundabout, down to the Quay Street roundabout, part of Gosport Road, and along the A27 to the Station roundabout (see map). This means we are now required by the Government to produce a new plan to improve air quality there. This is alongside the steps we already have in place.

What’s next?
We have set up a new air quality working group which includes councillors, experts, and representatives from local partners such as Hampshire County Council and Gosport Borough Council. With funding from the Government, this group will monitor air quality in the highlighted area and create a plan for improving it. One of the first tasks is to carry out a traffic survey, allowing us to see the nature of traffic using these roads, for example the types of vehicles and the types of journeys being made. This information will be fed into our plan to bring down air pollution. The Council has until the end of March this year (2018) to submit this plan to the Government.

We are confident that by working with our partners at DEFRA (Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs) and the Department for Transport, we can improve air quality in Fareham.
We do like to be beside the seaside...

Thousands of people visit Hill Head promenade throughout the year, making it one of the most popular spots in our Borough. With such a well-loved stretch of coastline it’s vital we protect it from the effects of extreme weather and rising sea levels.

In December, a £1m project funded by Fareham Borough Council to maintain and improve the seawall at Hill Head was completed.

The project, in partnership with Eastern Solent Coastal Partnership (ESCP), took just over a year from start to finish. 4,000 tonnes of shingle was used to re-nourish the beach, protecting the promenade from wave damage. Extensive maintenance was carried out on the groynes along the beach and improvements were made to the amenity area. A barrier rail was also installed along the promenade to make it safer.

The works represent a significant commitment by the Council to ensure residents can continue to enjoy Hill Head promenade well into the future, after all we do all love to be beside the seaside!
The Café at Westbury Manor Museum

Serving up a slice of local history... and cake!

Earlier this year Westbury Manor Museum underwent a major £650,000 refurbishment, transforming it into a vibrant new ‘culture stop’. The facility, which is run by Hampshire Cultural Trust on the Council’s behalf, tells the fascinating story of Fareham’s local history. Visitors will notice it’s not just the museum which is transformed; the café too has been remodelled.

Now more than twice its original size, the café has been beautifully redecorated to show off the original Georgian and Victorian features. It has been themed as a cabinet of curiosities with displays of unique objects brought back to Hampshire from all over the world.

The café menu has been extended, with the emphasis on freshly-made, seasonal and locally-sourced produce to appeal to all tastes. Alongside the range of tempting cakes and bakes, the café now offers a range of sandwiches which are freshly made every day on the premises and can be eaten in or taken away.

Need to warm up? For the colder months, there is a winter warmer menu with healthy lunch options such as jacket potatoes and a variety of tasty fillings. The café also caters for special dietary needs and has a great selection of gluten-free menu choices, including gluten-free cakes, quiches, savouries and bakes.

With passion for buying locally, the menu features a host of suppliers such as Mum and Dad’s Kitchen, Jake’s Pork Pies, Hill Farm Juice and Charlotte Brown’s Preserves. Hampshire-sourced products can be bought from both the café and the museum shop and include gourmet biscuits from Little Bee Bakery, craft beers from Upham Brewery and Hattingley Valley wines, to name a few.

All this means you can enjoy freshly-made fare and support local suppliers in a unique environment – and once you’re revived, why not take a look around the museum, too!

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01329 822063
Open Monday – Saturday
10:00am – 5:00pm

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Fareham’s ‘giant’ festive celebration

With the decorations boxed up again for another year, here’s a look back at Christmas in Fareham, which brought a very large visitor to the town for our Christmas light switch-on.

For the first time John the Winter Giant visited Fareham. The 6m tall giant made his way from Westbury Manor Museum down West Street captivating crowds with a magical display. He was joined by children from a local performing arts group who presented him with a lantern to light his way. He then helped the Mayor of Fareham, Cllr Geoff Fazackerley, to switch on the Christmas lights, a perfect way to start our festive countdown! Can you spot yourself in the crowd?
### January

- **Real Diamond – By Request**
  - Wednesday, January 24th, 3:30pm
  - £1 – £23.50

- **Megaslam Wrestling**
  - Saturday, January 27th, 3:00pm
  - £1 – £16

- **Kermel School of Dance**
  - Sunday, January 28th, 3:00pm
  - £12.50 – £13.50

### February

- **Halfway to Paradise – The Billy Fury Story**
  - Thursday, February 9th, 3:00pm
  - £15 – £22.50

- **Havant Chamber Orchestra**
  - Saturday, March 3rd, 3:00pm
  - £1 – £20

- **Jim Davidson**
  - Wednesday, February 21st, 7:30pm
  - £22.50

### March

- **Showaddywaddy**
  - Friday, March 2nd, 3:00pm
  - £22

- **Joe Brown**
  - Saturday, March 3rd, 3:00pm
  - £25

- **FMS – Best of British**
  - Wednesday, 4th – Saturday, March 9th, 3:00pm (Sat matinee 2:30pm)
  - £13 – £15

- **Pasha Kovalev**
  - Sunday, March 18th, 3:00pm
  - £25

- **Sight Loss Equipment and Information Day**
  - Wednesday, March 21st, 9:00am – 3:00pm

- **Forbidden Nights**
  - Thursday, March 22nd, 3:00pm
  - £20 – £23.50

- **Laughter Live! Comedy Club**
  - Friday, March 23rd, 3:00pm
  - £10 – £12

- **The Mayor’s Ball**
  - Saturday, March 24th, 3:00pm
  - £45
  - Includes 3 course meal

- **Starz Ballet Babes**
  - Sunday, March 25th, 1:00pm and 3:15pm
  - £2 – £8

- **Fareham Stage and Dance Festival**
  - Saturday, March 31st – Sunday, April 8th
  - Various Times

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