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# In Touch

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**FAREHAM SARISBURY – COUNTY ELECTION SPECIAL**

## After 24 years' campaigning no wonder Seán is pleased

**THE BUILDING** of Fareham's new Community Hospital started in February with an expected completion date of March 2010.

Commissioning will take about 3 months and the hospital should be open by July 2010.

This will include the transfer of services from the Sylvan Out Patients Clinic and Frosthole Physiotherapy Clinic.

It was welcomed by County Councillor Seán Woodward, who has campaigned tirelessly for it to become a reality.

Initially, the hospital will deal mainly with diagnostic and minor treatment services.

Access will be from the new entrance in Brook Lane and traffic from Bridge Road will need to U-turn at the roundabout at the junction of Brook Lane and Lockswood Road.



**Proud moment:** Seán Woodward has been campaigning for Fareham's Community Hospital since before he became a councillor 23 years ago. Now, he's delighted to see it taking shape at the Coldeast site where it will offer first-class facilities with, hopefully, more to follow in the second phase.

### What it will offer

- A large Out-Patient Department to replace the Sylvan Clinic with six consulting suites for visiting Consultants and two suites for antenatal clinics
- A Rehabilitation Department with two consulting rooms and six treatment cubicles, to replace and enhance the current services at Frosthole Physiotherapy Clinic
- Two general-purpose diagnostic X-ray rooms and two ultrasound units.
- An Elderly Assessment and Treatment Centre including a large treatment area and two consulting suites.
- An Older Persons' Mental Health Day Hospital with two consulting suites and a treatment room, large sitting room and two activity rooms.

### After hours

There will be an out-of-hours and minor procedures facility serviced by GPs that

will save residents having to visit Gosport or Southampton to see a GP after hours and at weekends.

With the existing facilities on the site – Summervale, Rivendell, The Meadows and Hawthorn Court – Fareham will have the initial elements of a comprehensive health service campus by the end of 2010.

A second phase should include 12 maternity beds including two delivery rooms to replace the facilities lost when Blackbrook Maternity Home closed.

Fareham is predicted to have an increase in births of 14% - all other areas of Hampshire a decrease (Gosport a 13% decrease).

There is also a need for extra in-patient facilities and an Accident Treatment Centre.

### Free parking

There will be adequate car parking on

site with waiting limited to 4 hours. It is not intended to charge for car parking.

At the moment there are considerable problems at the Sylvan Clinic as some residents of the new housing development are taking over the Sylvan Clinic car park causing problems for the elderly and infirm patients.

### Excellent facilities

Commenting, County Councillor Seán Woodward said: "I am delighted that after all the highlights and lowlights of my campaign for NHS medical facilities in Fareham that the Fareham Community Hospital is now well underway.

"It will provide excellent facilities for the population of Fareham however the work starts now to convince NHS Hampshire of the need for a second phase to include maternity and accident treatment facilities."

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# A record of ACTION, a promise of MORE!

COUNTY COUNCILLOR SEÁN WOODWARD cares about ALL Fareham Sarisbury Division, which includes Burridge, Lower Swanwick, Park Gate, Priory Park, Sarisbury Green, Swanwick and Whiteley.

Dear Elector

I am writing to you to ask for your support in the County Election on June 4. I would like to draw your attention to **some of my achievements over the past 23 years as your Councillor** and my priorities for the future, should you re-elect me.

Shortly after my election to Hampshire County Council I helped identify a site and over £5 million funding for an urgently needed **new primary school** in Whiteley. Sadly, the landowners were unwilling to release the land. It is a matter of great personal regret that new schools will need to await the extension to Whiteley. **We also need another secondary school.** It is pointless having 5 out of 6 Fareham secondary schools in the East of the Borough when 40% of the population is in the West. The extension of Whiteley also provides the opportunity to achieve a new secondary school. If re-elected I will continue to fight for that opportunity to become reality.

I feel that it is important within major new development areas that suitable community facilities are provided. I have been instrumental in negotiating for and/or identifying sites for such facilities in Whiteley as a **community centre, doctors' surgery, playgrounds, school, skatepark and shops.** It is, of course, also important that established areas achieve new community facilities which is why I was delighted to both **propose the funding for and open Burridge Village Hall.**

**I am also continually fighting for the completion of Whiteley Way,** which will help Whiteley, as well as relieving traffic congestion in Burridge and Swanwick. **If I am re-elected I guarantee that all residents in Sarisbury Division affected by any possible road openings will be consulted with the implications in terms of extra traffic** on Yew Tree Drive, Botley Road and Swanwick Lane as well as any **perceived benefits in terms of access** being made clear before decisions are taken.

One of my main priorities has always been road safety. I have run **anti-speeding and traffic calming campaigns** in recent years on a number of roads including **Botley Road, Barnes Lane, Brook Lane, Swanwick Lane (where I achieved a lorry ban) and Yew Tree Drive.** I have also requested funding to provide **flashing 30mph warning signs** around the area. I work hard in my role as Chairman of the River Hamble Harbour Management Committee **to ensure that the Hamble is looked after for the benefit of all of its users** whether they are walkers or sailors or those who simply enjoy the views.

I have become increasingly concerned with rising levels of vandalism and anti-social behaviour and introduced a strategy to combat the problem. It has succeeded in reducing vandalism in the area with a combination of CCTV and more prominent policing. I pledged when I stood for election that I would press the **County Council to employ accredited community safety officers** in this area. I have succeeded in that aim and can add to that, through my **membership of Hampshire Police Authority, large numbers of Police Community Safety Officers** who are very apparent and welcome in our communities. More needs to be done and I pledge to continue to work with Police, councils and others to achieve further reductions in these problems.

I have also supported the **provision of a youth worker for Whiteley** in conjunction with Whiteley Church and Hampshire County Council. The funding, mainly from the Diocese, is now in place and I look forward to seeing the post filled and a successful youth club brought into being in the area. Equally, it is important to use existing youth provision and I am working to ensure the purpose-built **Genesis Youth Centre** in the Locks Heath Centre is available for general youth activity for many more hours than currently.

I will continue to work closely with the Sarisbury and Burridge & Swanwick Residents' Associations and Whiteley Community Association and continue to publish the *In Touch* Newsletter, now in its 25th year and **Sarisbury, Park Gate, Priory Park and Whiteley's only local newsletter.**

If you elect me I promise to continue to fight on your behalf to preserve and improve the area we all share. To see details of the Hampshire Conservatives' manifesto for Hampshire which I fully support please go to [www.hampshireconservatives.com](http://www.hampshireconservatives.com)

Yours sincerely

**Seán Woodward**

On Thursday, June 4 please vote CONSERVATIVE for

# COUNCILLOR SEÁN WOODWARD

Polling stations open 7am – 10pm

# He serves on two councils with equal dedication to get the best for Fareham

**COUNCILLOR** Seán Woodward is married to Rosemary and they have a 10-year-old son.

He lives in the Sarisbury Division, having lived in the Western Wards of Fareham for 38 years.

He has an Honours Degree in Biology and works in healthcare in the field of physiotherapy and rehabilitation.

Seán Woodward is the Executive Leader of Fareham Borough Council. He is also past-Chairman of Sarisbury and Park Gate Conservatives, founder of the *In Touch* Newsletter, now in its 25th year, and a keen conservationist.

He is a Past President of the Rotary Club of Fareham, a founder member of the Rotary Club of Whiteley, a member of the National Trust and of the Institute of Advanced Motorists.

Seán Woodward was first elected to Fareham Borough Council in 1986 to represent the Sarisbury Ward and was re-elected in 1990, 1994, 1998, 2002 and 2006 with ever-increasing majorities.

He was elected to Hampshire County Council in 2005 where he chairs the River Hamble Harbour Management Committee and is Vice-Chairman of the Finance Committee of Hampshire Police Authority.

Apart from chairing Fareham Borough Council's Executive (the main decision-making body), he also serves on many local, regional and national bodies representing Fareham.

He is Chairman of the Partnership for Urban South Hampshire (PUSH), an association of 11 local authorities in South Hampshire whose role is to improve economic development in the area while holding the government to account in terms of the provision of much needed infrastructure.

Through his chairmanship of PUSH Fareham has been awarded a £1m grant to refurbish West Street and £20m to provide a bus rapid transit system between Gosport and Fareham.

He is the founder and past-Chairman of Fareham Road Safety Council and Whiteley Community Association.



**Helping hand:** Seán's 10-year-old son, James, makes sure his dad does a swish curtain job unveiling the plaque to mark the opening of the refurbished Burrige Village Hall.

**Seán is always available for his constituents**

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## Highly commended by MP and fellow councillors

**Message from Councillors David Swanbrow, Brian Bayford and Marian Ellerton:** "It gives us great pleasure to commend County Councillor Seán Woodward to you for re-election to Hampshire County Council.

"He has done sterling work on your behalf during his 23 years as a Borough Councillor, 4 years as a County Councillor and as Editor of *In Touch*. He has been unstinting in his efforts on behalf of you, the residents, as anyone who has ever taken a problem to him will know.

"We are delighted he has agreed to seek re-election and hope you will vote **WOODWARD** on Thursday, June 4 and support the only candidate with the proven ability and experience to represent you effectively."

**Message from Fareham MP Mark Hoban:** "No one I know works harder than Seán for local residents – he is tireless.

"He knows how to get the best deal from the County Council for local residents and puts your interests first."



# Out and about with Seán Woodward

## River responsibility



As Chairman of the River Hamble Harbour Management Committee, Seán works hard to see that the river is looked after for the benefit of all users, whether sailors or walkers.

## Transport link



Seán will ensure all affected residents of Whiteley, Burridge, Park Gate and Swanwick are properly consulted before any decisions are taken on whether to open the Yew Tree Drive bus/emergency link to all traffic before completion of Whiteley Way.

## Sign of success

### Slow to a snail's pace



An ardent supporter of road safety, especially near schools, he backs the '20 is Plenty' campaign. A mandatory 20mph limit has been implemented in Gull Coppice for Whiteley Primary School.



Among improvements Seán suggested for the Brookfield School travel plan was to change the sign-posted route to direct traffic away from Brook Lane via the Lockwood Road distributor. As the photo shows, the County Council responded quickly to his request.

## Higher police profile is paying off



Through his membership of Hampshire Police Authority, Seán has succeeded in getting a large increase in the numbers of Police Community Safety Officers. These, plus more CCTV surveillance, have reduced vandalism and anti-social behaviour in the area, but he says more needs to be done and has promised to keep up the momentum.