



# In Touch

with our community

FAREHAM TOWN – COUNTY ELECTION SPECIAL

## Hampshire Council rated tops - thanks to Tory management



**Team Fareham:** County Councillors Ray Ellis (left) and John Bryant pictured outside Hampshire County Council headquarters in Winchester where they are asking voters to return them so they can carry on the good work for another four years.

### THEY SERVE on the best-rated, most efficient and cost-effective County Council in Britain.

Naturally, it's Conservative controlled and the message to electors in Fareham Town Division is: "Re-elect County Councillors John Bryant and Ray Ellis on June 4 if you want Hampshire to stay top of the league."

The Audit Commission's 2009 report stated that Hampshire achieved the highest performance, lowest council tax and best value for money DESPITE receiving the lowest Government grant.

Hampshire's council tax will be not be raised by more than 1.9% for the next two years.

"The council saved £74m by more efficient working, keeping taxes low and doing much more with less," said John and Ray, who contributed much to that

success.

Conservative councillors have a long list of successes across the county, including investing £74m a year in maintaining and improving roads. Other achievements include:

- Providing 50 community safety officers
- Increasing care bed numbers by 378
- Pioneering programme to allow elderly to live at home
- Allocating £10,000 budgets to councillors for deserving community causes
- Pioneering '20 is Plenty' to improve road safety
- Led Britain by reducing landfill to 10%
- Expanding and improving special schools
- Saving £50m by refurbishing rather than replacing condemned offices
- Refurbishing libraries, expanding

services and extending opening hours

- Producing enough electricity from waste to power 50,000 homes
- John, Ray and their Conservative colleagues are determined not to rest on these laurels.

They will fight to protect Hampshire from Government-imposed development and work with the next Conservative Government to freeze your council tax. Other aims include:

- Making Hampshire's roads safer
  - Limiting speeds near schools and residential areas
  - Demanding Government investment for roads
  - Providing over 500 apartments for the elderly with 24-hour care
- They added: "Conservatives will keep Hampshire safe and improve the quality of life for everyone."

We keep *In Touch* throughout the year - not just at election time



# A record of ACTION, a promise of MORE!

## Dear Elector

**John** and **Ray** are writing to you to ask for your support in the County Election on June 4.

They are standing for re-election for another term at Hampshire County Council because they feel that their experience gained over the past years will enable them to continue to work even more efficiently on behalf of you, the people of Fareham Division.

Both are experienced Councillors, John having been first elected in 1997 and Ray in 2001. Their focus has been on obtaining the best services for the people of Fareham and Hampshire, but at the same time on keeping the local tax and expenditure at the lowest possible level.

As Conservative candidates they believe in quality services, but do not accept that higher standards mean higher taxes. Councils should be run in an efficient, cost effective and business like way.

Much has been achieved in the past years by applying good Conservative principles to the way the County Council operates. This is acknowledged by the Audit Commission report 2009 that once again awarded Hampshire an overall four stars, the top performance rating.

Although setting the lowest council tax for any county in the South East, this represents excellent value for money despite receiving a low government grant. Conservatives make a real difference to local government because they have different values from the other parties. If re-elected they promise to continue to fight on your behalf to preserve and improve the area we all share.

If re-elected as **YOUR** representatives they will:

- Keep Council Tax increases as low as possible
- Obtain best value for your money by keeping Hampshire services as the best in England with lowest expenditure
- Endeavour to make Hampshire roads safer and to tackle congestion
- Fight for better leisure and recreational facilities, particularly for teenagers
- Ensure the very best support for our elderly people and continue to monitor health care provision
- Give free care advice to all who need it and up to 6 weeks social care to those convalescing or in crisis
- Increasing school building programme and further improving school results
- Ensure that Fareham is the best place to live
- Achieve all the objectives of the Hampshire Conservative Group Manifesto (see [www.hampshireconservatives.com](http://www.hampshireconservatives.com))

**BUT ABOVE ALL, RESPOND TO YOUR CONCERNS AND REPRESENT YOU.**

Both consider that it is has been a great privilege to be your County Councillors for the past years and they ask for your support once again on June 4.

Yours sincerely

*John Bryant & Ray Ellis*



On Thursday, June 4 please vote CONSERVATIVE for

# COUNCILLOR JOHN BRYANT

## AND

# COUNCILLOR RAY ELLIS

Polling stations open 7am – 10pm



# Experienced team who devote full-time to their Fareham Town constituents



**JOHN BRYANT is both a County and a Borough Councillor, married to his ward colleague Fareham Borough Councillor Pam Bryant.**

Having lived in Fareham North Ward for the past 40 years, John is a well known, experienced Fareham councillor with a vast amount of knowledge of the district, the county and the people.

Within the County Council, he serves on the Regulatory Committee (Planning), he is Chairman of the River Hamble Board, a member of Hampshire Police Authority as well as a member of the SDA Liaison Group.

John always tries to do his best for ALL residents and has a proven record of getting things done.

Who better to represent everyone than a long-standing resident of Fareham who is prepared to give his time to helping residents in the local community?

John is **always** available for his constituents

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**RAY ELLIS has been a County Councillor since 2001; he was previously a Borough Councillor for four years.**

He is married to Vivette and has four grown-up children. Born and educated locally, he was Head of Faculty at a local polytechnic before moving to the World Bank as Human Resource Adviser.

He was Chairman of the Health Scrutiny Board, which ensured provision of additional health and outdoor facilities to promote healthy living across the area.

As a Cabinet member, he participates in the collective political management of County Council strategy, but with specific executive responsibility for Performance, Efficiency and Rural Policy, as well as serving on the River Hamble Management Committee.

Ray chaired the Action Team for Fareham and Gosport, which deals with issues such as transport routes to the Gosport peninsula, health facility and school provision.

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## John and Ray highly commended by fellow Conservatives

**Message from Fareham MP Mark Hoban:** "John and Ray are hardworking County Councillors. They know that you want every pound spent by the County Council to be spent well and they fight to make sure that this happens.

"They stand up for your interests on the County Council. No one could ask for better county councillors."

**Message from Fareham Council Executive Leader Seán Woodward:** "It gives me great pleasure to commend Councillors

John Bryant and Ray Ellis to you for re-election to Hampshire County Council.

"They have done sterling work since they were first elected and have been unstinting in their efforts on your behalf as anyone who has ever taken a problem to them will know.

"I am delighted they have agreed to seek re-election. I hope that you will vote **BRYANT and ELLIS** on Thursday June 4 and support the only candidates with the proven ability to represent you effectively."



# Out and about with John and Ray

## MP aids Fareham duo's campaign

### Green fields under threat



Ray and John are deeply concerned about the impact of possible industrial development and a new link to the M27 on green fields north of Wallington.



Fareham MP Mark Hoban (centre) discusses local issues with Fareham Town Division candidates John Bryant (left) and Ray Ellis.

### Quay regeneration



Admiring the regeneration of Fareham Quay which was paid for by Hampshire County Council.

### Crossing busy junction in safety



Thanks to John's and Ray's efforts, a pedestrian crossing was installed at the junction of Gudge Heath Lane and Highlands Road to allow people to cross safely to the Post Office and Co-op.

### Revamp for 'Eastenders'



Discussing the improvements to the east end of West Street for which the County Council has allocated £100,000 to complete the facelift for Fareham's 'Golden Mile'.