

# Hill Head and Stubbington Conservatives

# *In Touch*



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## **Builder lands a bill of £12,000 for fly-tipping in Stubbington**

A local builder has been sentenced to pay more than £12,000 after household, commercial and industrial waste was dumped in disused pigsties at Newlands Farm.

Fareham Borough Council (FBC) sifted through the mess and found paperwork that traced it back to him. He was charged with three offences under the Environmental Protection Act 1990.

He failed to turn up at the Magistrates' Court in Fareham for the hearing, but was found guilty in his absence, was ordered to pay £2,000 for each charge, ordered to pay £6,000 compensation to the landowner for his clean-up costs and just over £800 costs to the council, plus a £15 victim surcharge making a total of over £12,800.

Councillor Arthur Mandry, Executive Member for Public Protection at FBC, said: "This is an excellent result. I hope it's going to be a salutary lesson to anyone considering fly-tipping in Fareham, or anywhere else for that matter."

## **The Village honours Helen Deakin**



Until her recent death Helen Deakin was a common sight in Stubbington, with her trolley, collecting rubbish off the pavements and from the parks where it had been thrown away.

Such was the respect and affection for her and for the work she did to keep the area clean and tidy that it was decided to name the garden inside the Crofton Community Centre in remembrance of her.

In a simple ceremony of remembrance, Councillor Arthur Mandry dedicated the communal garden after her, in her honour, see photo above.

## **FAREHAM ENFORCEMENT TEAM PROSECUTES FLY TIPPERS**



The Enforcement Team was introduced into Fareham in 2004. It provides a dedicated team to patrol the Borough to enforce legislation relating to a wide range of envirocrimes and to educate the public so as to reduce the incidence of such behaviour.

The officers work closely with the Hampshire County Council Accredited Community Safety Officers and Police Community Support Officers and often carry out joint operations. The team has proved very effective.

The uniformed Enforcement Officers adopt a Zero Tolerance approach when dealing with offences of dropping Litter and Fly tipping. They also deal with abandoned vehicles, graffiti, dog fouling and unauthorised encampments.

## **New Cliff Road Toilets**

Fareham Borough Council have just awarded a contract for the construction of the new Cliff Road toilets. Last year the Council decided to defer the construction until this year. The location will be north east of the small car park by the Hill Head Sailing Club which will enable disabled drivers or their passengers easy access to the facilities.

The present toilet block will be demolished and the base used for additional beach huts. The County Council has given £20,000 towards the cost. Work is due to start towards the end of the year.

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**Fareham in Bloom**

**The Borough's fantastic winning streak in the South and South East In Bloom competition resulted in an invitation to take part in the prestigious national contest in 2010.**

It has been a spectacular success; much of it due to the tireless work of volunteers and parks staff, only 15% of marks went to floral displays, the rest came from community involvement and the Council's environmental work.

Britain in Bloom, which is run by the Royal Horticultural Society, is one of the largest events of its kind in Europe.

For this year's competition the Borough was overall winner (for the sixth year running) of the Large Town/Small City category. It was the first of

four gold medals on the day and more successes followed.

The sensory garden won gold in the Best Small Park category, Holly Hill Woodland Park collected a gold as winner of the Best Countryside Park and the pupils at Northern Junior School, Portchester again took gold as winners of the Schools' Category.

And if that were not enough, Fareham's Tourist Information Centre won a new award presented by Tourism Southeast to reflect how well parks and visitor activities are promoted.

Sponsors, competitors and residents met at Ferneham Hall on September 8 to celebrate the end of the 14th Fareham In Bloom year, which again showed a record number of entries.



**New footpath follows visit to Surgery**

Following a deputation to the July 2008 Surgery (see back page for monthly surgery details) County Councillor Tim Knight asked his Fareham and Gosport colleagues for their approval to fund the construction of new pavements on the south eastern side of Titchfield Road.

This was given priority as a safety measure because of the increasing amount of traffic using Titchfield Road. Work commenced in May this year, resulting in the completion of two new stretches of pavement.

**Another pavement improvement**

Following requests concerning the condition of the pavements in Knights Bank Road and the difficulty for disabled users and those with pushchairs the matter was taken up by Cllr Tim Knight with Hampshire Highways.

As a result, the pavements were resurfaced and additional footways added at the northern end of the road, (to help access to Short Road), and on the southern end a dropped kerb installed, to enable easy disabled or pushchair access onto Cliff Road.

**And another long awaited improvement**

The Gosport Road cycle crossing at the junction with Marks Road, which has been on a list for years, for upgrading to a combined pedestrian/cycle crossing, (a Toucan), has finally been funded.

The County has very limited resources for this sort of improvement. Our thanks to Cllr Kay Mandry who has been pressing for improvements here.

**Recycling Bins near Stubbington Library**

**Fareham is in the process of improving the glass collection and disposal facilities across the Borough.** This involves replacing all the existing bins. The Stubbington location is quite large and needs eight new bins, each of which needs a locking post. Five of these posts and bins were fitted first and then the remaining three.

They will be emptied three days a week (Monday, Wednesday and Friday), which, based on past experience at this facility should be frequent enough to cope without problems.

The service is in fact being improved with the ability to mix coloured glass - this is possible because of the very advanced glass sorting facilities available in Southampton.

**Crofton Community Centre Hammond Wing**



Following a five month refurbishment project, the newly named 'Hammond Wing' at the Crofton Community Centre was officially opened by the Executive Leader of Fareham Borough Council (FBC) Councillor Seán Woodward, on Friday 11 September.

The naming of the Hammond Wing is an acknowledgement of the generosity of Isaac and Augusta Hammond who left the former Hammond Hall to the Council, in trust, for the benefit of the community.

FBC has invested £285,000 to refurbish the facilities and this was supported by a contribution of £10,000 from the Crofton Community Association and the Park Day Nursery and Preschool who funded improvements to the nursery and preschool.

**The Hammond name continues - Grants and donations for leisure purposes**

Once the old Hammond Hall in Bells Lane was demolished the trust needed a new trust deed.

Fareham Borough Council asked the Charity Commission to propose a new scheme for the trust. The object of the new trust is "the provision of grants and donations for individuals" etc for

"recreational purposes" in the "area of benefit" which is "Stubbington and neighbourhood".

There are seven trustees. Four of which will be the Councillors for Stubbington and Hill Head and the other three will be nominated by Fareham Borough Council at full Council and have "personal knowledge of the area of benefit".

The fund stands at over £400,000. Income from

**Fareham's new hospital**

**FAREHAM'S community hospital at Coldeast is taking shape fast**

Exterior masonry work, the fascia and most of the cladding are finished and windows installed.

The first fix of mechanical and electrical work is well under way and installation of soft flooring and internal decorating had begun.

Exterior landscaping and formation of the bell-mouth to Brook Lane should start soon.



**Chance for deaf to try new technology in Fareham**

A DEAFPLUS bus will be trialled in Fareham town centre from November 30.

It comes at the request of Council Leader Sean Woodward and will contain equipment demonstrating aids for deaf people.

The charity DeafPlus has a contract with the County Council for its early intervention service, which provides 120 half-hour sessions a year across Hampshire.

The free service gives the deaf the chance to try the latest technology.

**A matter of degree**

**THE dangerously overloaded bin shown here would not be collected.**

But the Council firmly denies that it operates a closed – lid policy.

"We apply common sense, so in practice a bin will be collected even with the lid open to 40 degrees."



**Outdoor events**

There have been a number of events in Fareham's Parks, Woodlands and Countryside. The events have ranged from the very popular 'Great Easter Egg Hunt' held at Holly Hill and a

workshop entitled 'Front Gardens Made Simple' to the 'Wild about Wednesdays' event for children which was arranged to try and help occupy young people during the long summer holidays. If you did not manage to get to any of the 2009 events please look out for next year's Events Programme.

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**Sir Peter Vigger's  
successor**

## Selection of our new Parliamentary Candidate

Arrangements have now been made to elect the Prospective Parliamentary Candidate for next year's General Election. This affects Stubbington and Hill Head as well as Gosport.

A six member team forming a Selection Committee (and including Cllr Arthur Mandry) will sift through about 190 candidates and by the end of October. A shortlist of candidates will be selected to take part in the final postal ballot. It will consist of an equal numbers of male and female candidates.

**Every elector in Gosport, Stubbington and Hill Head** will be sent a postal vote to select the new candidate. An open primary meeting will also be held to allow public questioning of the candidates at Thorngate Hall, Bury Road, Gosport on 20 November prior to the count. These arrangements are seen to be the fairest way **for everyone** to select Sir Peter's successor.

The management of the selection process, including the counting of returned voting slips, will be conducted independently by the Electoral Reform Society. The closing date for the return of voting slips will be 3 December 2009.

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Please contact one of your Conservative Councillors shown below if you are able to help.

### Social Events

**26th November** Autumn Dinner - Guest Speaker - Michael Gove MP Shadow Secretary of State for Children, Schools and Families. Tickets £25 from **023 9258 9268**

**9th December** Christmas Coffee morning at Jill and Roger Norman's home. More details from Audrey Ray on 01329 668061

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### Councillors' Surgeries

One of the Conservative Councillors will be at the Crofton Community Centre on the second Saturday of each month from 10 am to 12 noon to answer any questions.

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