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DEMOLITION OF THE SARISBURY REFUSED

Two applications to demolish The Sarisbury public house on Sarisbury Green and replace it with up to 20 dwellings have been refused by Fareham Borough Council.

The applications were refused because the existing building is a prominent feature on the Green and being in a Conservation Area should only be replaced by a building that would substantially enhance the area. Other reasons for refusal included the impact on protected trees on the site, the layout of the proposed scheme which was deemed harmful to the Conservation Area and in the case of the proposal for 20 dwellings, concerns about traffic turning right on to Bridge Road when exiting the site. Another reason for refusal was that the developer had failed to agree any contributions towards providing public open space.

Commenting, Sarisbury Councillor David Swanbrow who is Chairman of the Planning Development control Committee, said: "I am not opposed to the sympathetic re-development of the site, but what is required is a proposal that enhances, not detracts from, the Sarisbury Green Conservation Area. I hope that the applicants will, in discussion with planning officers, come up with a suitable alternative proposal."



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HEALTH ISSUES UPDATE

Park Gate Councillor Brian Bayford represents all Hampshire Districts on the Hampshire County Health Review Committee which since January 2003 has had the power to oversee and scrutinise any proposals from the NHS for significant changes to NHS services. He also is Chairman of the Fareham & Gosport Boroughs/Fareham & Gosport Primary Care NHS Trust Liaison Panel that meets regularly to review health services in the two Boroughs.

With the planned major development of Queen Alexandra Hospital to provide for all acute care the Fareham & Gosport Primary Care Trust are holding discussion meetings to seek views on options for complementary services over the next few years. The options affecting Fareham are:

- ⇒ Provide a new Community Health complex on the Coldeast Hospital site to provide, outpatient clinics, replacement in-patient care for St Christopher's Hospital, physio/speech and language/occupational therapy and podiatry services, replace and extend the midwifery services from Blackbrook Hospital and possibly day surgery. This would be mirrored at the Gosport War Memorial Hospital.

⇒ Provide facilities for Fareham as above but utilise retained elements of R H Haslar together with Gosport War Memorial Hospital.

⇒ Provide a major new Community Hospital complex to serve both Fareham & Gosport on a new site to be identified (possibly at the Northern end of the Daedalus site or in Newgate Lane).

A local meeting is planned for Thursday 27th May at 2pm at Sarisbury Community Centre.

We strongly support, as we always have, the provision of health facilities on the site of Coldeast Hospital for which the land is already reserved and in the ownership of the Fareham & Gosport Primary Care Trust. We feel that an accident treatment centre should also be provided at the Coldeast site. We also continue to support the retention of the services provided at R H Haslar to serve the Gosport peninsular and parts of Fareham.

ALLOTMENT ROAD MANAGEMENT

Fareham Borough Council's Executive resolved recently not to grant a management lease at the present time to Sarisbury Athletic Cricket Club due to a number of concerns including the loss of football provision in the area.

PARK GATE CONSERVATIVES

Park Gate Conservatives are very active with social and political events and membership drives. If you would like further details, to join Park Gate Conservatives, or to help in any way such as in the distribution of InTouch Newsletters in your road then please contact Marian Ellerton on Locks Heath 570774.

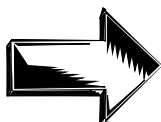
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FAIR PLANNING FOR FAREHAM



Councillor Marian Ellerton pictured at Coldeast Hospital where the green fields are under threat from Government planning policy

Fareham Conservatives have launched a campaign, demanding that Councillors should have the major say in local planning, culminating in the presentation of a Parliamentary Petition to the Deputy Prime Minister, John Prescott. At the moment the Government dictates how many houses Fareham should have and where it may or may not build them. It insists on high densities, low parking standards and adheres to the maxim that "Government knows best." Applications on certain sites must be sent to John Prescott to be determined and he has the right to call-in decisions to make them himself.

The petition reads: "We call upon the Deputy Prime Minister to amend the planning laws so that:

- ⇒ local people and their councillors should be given a much greater role in deciding how many homes should be built in their area and where those homes should be built;
- ⇒ the views of local people should carry greater weight than those of the Office of the Deputy Prime Minister;
- ⇒ decisions on planning should be taken in line with Local Plans and Local Development Frameworks which should not be overridden by unelected regional bodies or the Office of the Deputy Prime Minister."

The campaign has been launched by Councillor Seán Woodward, Executive Leader of Fareham Borough Council and Mark Hoban, Fareham's Member of Parliament.

Commenting, Councillor Seán Woodward, said: "It is easy to vote against every planning application submitted and claim to "oppose development." The reality is that the root cause of overdevelopment in recent years is a government calling for ever more houses and dictating where they should be, how many, etc. We want to see planning truly put in the hands of local councils so that they can make local decisions with local knowledge and not be dictated to from a desk in Whitehall."

Mark Hoban MP added: "I believe that you and your councillors should have a much greater say over how many houses should be built in Park Gate and where. You and our councillors know how development affects our roads, schools, GP surgeries and dentists - John Prescott doesn't - yet he decides how many houses will be built, how many cars will clog our roads and how many more people will want to register with a dentist or a GP. By signing the petition, which I will present to Parliament, you will send a signal that you are fed up with John Prescott deciding these things on your behalf and you want the law to be changed so that you and your councillors can decide what is best for Park Gate."

To sign add your name(s) and address to the FEEDBACK box overleaf, sign and send it to us. Petition forms available on request or on our website at www.farehamconservatives.co.uk