



# Suella Fernandes MP

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## Welcome

### Fareham Community Hospital - Same Day Access Service Launch

It is great to see that the same-day service is now operating from Fareham Community Hospital. The service will revolutionise local healthcare by enabling patients to see a GP on the same day and for extended hours. The new scheme has been led by Dr. Tom Bertram and supported by Fareham and Gosport CCG.

The service currently involves four GP practices - Highlands Practice in Fareham, Jubilee Surgery in Titchfield, Stubbington Medical Practice and Whiteley Surgery. Two years ago, I formed Fareham Community Hospital Taskforce to bring about better use of the Hospital. The group has worked hard to secure increased services and I am very grateful to everyone involved that has helped secure this change. I am confident that given the demand for same-day and primary care services, the Fareham Primary Care Service will be a success.

More information about the service can be found here; <http://www.betterlocalcare.org.uk/in-your-area/fareham/news/same-day-gp-appointment-service-to-start-in-fareham/>



## In Parliament

It's been a busy time for Brexit this month, with the Prime Minister's Speech in Florence, progress being made on the Northern Ireland border and David Davis securing guarantees for EU citizens. I am pleased with the considerable progress being made by the government as we leave the EU and start our future as a free trading independent nation.

### EU Withdrawal Bill

The House of Commons passed the EU Withdrawal Bill on Monday 11 September 2017 which repeals the European Community Act 1972 and restores control over EU laws to the UK Parliament. My speech in the debate is here: <http://parliamentlive.tv/event/index/178c3896-50df-4652-94bf-0c9ccfed388c?in=21%3A48%3A45>

### Fairer Funding for Schools

I am delighted that the Government has announced its final decision on school funding and it is good news for Fareham schools. The new national funding formula will make funding fairer, replacing the opaque and out of date funding system that saw Hampshire schools receive one of the lowest levels of funding around the country. This is an historic reform, meaning that for the first time, funding for schools will be distributed according to individual needs and characteristics of each school. The Government are investing an additional £1.3bn in schools and high needs over the next two years, on top of our existing spending plans. As a result, core funding for schools will rise and the basic funding for every pupil will increase. I am pleased that I was able to arrange a meeting with the Schools Minister, Nick Gibb and a delegation of Fareham teachers, representing our local schools during the consultation.

### Prime Minister's Award for Fareham Resident

I was delighted to present Betty Richards with the Prime Minister's 'Points of Light' Award for her decades of volunteering in Fareham. Very much deserved!





Visiting Friends through Pain

## Friends Through Pain

I enjoyed meeting the Fareham Friends Through Pain Group. Thank you to all the volunteers in the group who are providing invaluable support for those with long term pain.

## Abshot Community Centre

It was great to discuss local and national issues and answer residents' questions for, 'An Evening with your MP' at Abshot Community Centre. Thank you to Councillor Sarah Pankhurst for organising and to everyone that attended.



An evening with your MP

## Sarisbury Women's Institute

The Women's Institute plays a unique role in providing women with educational opportunities, a chance to take part in activities and campaign on issues that matter to them. Thank you to the team at Sarisbury for a lovely afternoon.

## Cranleigh Road Planning Appeal

I received a large amount of correspondence from my constituents objecting to the Cranleigh Road development. Welborne should have been taken into account when considering the housing provision in our area and I am concerned about the impact on our local roads and infrastructure. Fareham Borough Council is doing its best to support local residents and I have written to the Minister for Communities and Local Government to express my concerns.

## Broadband in Whiteley

Openreach are failing residents in Fareham again by not upgrading cabinets sufficiently and not responding to resident concerns. I won't give up speaking up and we will have the chance to get more information from Openreach during my Broadband Meeting on 3rd November at Titchfield Community Centre. Click on the link to book tickets: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/broadband-meeting-tickets-37874827629>



Afternoon with the Women's Institute

## Portchester Civic Society

It was great to welcome members of Portchester Civic Society to Parliament. Members were shown around Westminster Hall and the House of Commons. I am always delighted to offer the chance for local groups to enjoy the magnificent surroundings.

*Suella*



Broadband talks with Whiteley resident



Portchester Civic Society



Pick your Pumpkins at Hollam Farm

## What constituents say:

*"Thank you for making a stand on Brexit. I am infuriated with MPs that are putting their wish for power before country. Keep up the good work!"*

*"I am so grateful for your assistance with my wife's visa – your help has made such a big difference."*

## Surgeries & Events 2017

Please call my office or go to my website for further details:

- Fareham Surgery: 20th October
- Politics in the Pub: 20th October
- Broadband Meeting: 3rd November
- Senior Citizens Fair: 17th November
- Sarisbury Surgery: 24th November

## Get in touch

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