



# Suella Fernandes MP

MP for Fareham, Locks Heath, Park Gate, Portchester, Sarisbury, Titchfield, Whiteley and Warsash



## Welcome

### The Big Fareham EU Debate : book your tickets now

The EU referendum is the most important vote that we will have on Britain's place in the world.

There are strong arguments on both sides of the debate, but on balance, I believe that leaving the EU serves our national interests better.

Many people are undecided and therefore I shall be **holding a debate**, with prominent speakers sharing their arguments for both sides, on **Saturday 11th June at 2pm**. This will be a good opportunity for you to ask questions and get clear answers.

There are a limited number of tickets available due to the capacity of the venue, and therefore only those who are successful in their bid for a ticket will be given further details.

To apply for a free ticket, please email me at [suella@suellafernandes.co.uk](mailto:suella@suellafernandes.co.uk) with the full name and address of each person requiring a ticket.



## In Parliament



### Strategic Transport Plan

Useful discussions with the Solent LEP and Hampshire MPs about the Strategic Transport Plan were held in Parliament this month. We are keen to improve junctions 9-11 on the M27, increase bus services in Fareham, rail connections between Southampton and Portsmouth and airport and maritime links. The Strategic Transport report can be viewed at:

[http://solentlep.org.uk/uploads/documents/TIP\\_Final\\_-\\_Web\\_Version.pdf](http://solentlep.org.uk/uploads/documents/TIP_Final_-_Web_Version.pdf)

It is brilliant that the hard work has paid off and £15 million has been won from Highways England, to make Junction 10 of the M27 open to east and westbound traffic.

You can read more at: <http://www.portsmouth.co.uk/our-region/fareham/mps-rejoice-as-25m-is-secured-for-stubington-bypass-and-m27-works-1-7403736>

### Southern Health debate

The issues surrounding Southern Health have caused huge concern for many people.

I have secured a 90-minute debate on the subject 'Governance of Southern Health NHS Foundation Trust,' which will take place on the 8<sup>th</sup> June in the Westminster Hall debating chamber. I shall be opening the debate and many other MPs will be making speeches, which will then be responded to by a minister from the Department of Health.

I know many of my colleagues in Hampshire and beyond have expressed serious doubts about the governance of the Trust, and remain to be convinced that the necessary improvements are being made quickly enough. In the run-up to the debate I will be seeking views from them, as well as from affected patients and their relatives, the regulatory bodies and the Trust itself.

### Financial Education

I have recently finished chairing an Inquiry into the delivery of Financial Education in schools and enjoyed speaking this month at The Bank of England museum at the Financial Education Forum about the forthcoming launch of our report.

Eight million people struggle with debt, and Financial Education is part of the solution to prevent them falling into this trap. We worked collaboratively with Money Saving Expert, Martin Lewis, and Young Enterprise, to launch our report in Parliament about the urgent need for Financial Education. Whilst Financial Education is mandatory in secondary school, our report shows why primary school pupils should receive compulsory Financial Education lessons to promote positive attitudes towards budgeting and saving.

You can read the report at: <https://www.pfeg.org/sites/default/files/APPG%20on%20Financial%20Education%20for%20Young%20People%20-Final%20Report%20-%20May%202016.pdf>





Speaking at the Bank of England



Speaking to Titchfield Primary School



Attending the Queen's Speech



Our rail services need improving



Debating at Queens' College, Cambridge



Hosting my Town Hall Event



Live fire training

## Public meeting on local trains with rail bosses

I held a public meeting with rail bosses from First Group, South West Trains and Network Rail. It was a great discussion and constituents got the chance to have their say.

Accessibility at Portchester and Swanwick stations is very poor. I wrote to the Chief Executive of National Rail but they have not allocated monies to fix these problems, so I am setting up a campaign for better access and will provide more details shortly.

I am aware of the very poor service from Southern Trains, with recent cancellations and delays on the line. I am meeting with the Transport Secretary to discuss this problem.

## Debating the EU Referendum with Stephen Kinnock MP

It was an honour to be asked to return to my college at university, Queens' College Cambridge, to debate fellow alumnus Stephen Kinnock MP on the EU Referendum. Lots of important questions were raised by the students and it was lovely to revisit the College and meet former tutors. There are still a lot of people undecided- if you are one, do come to my debate in Fareham.

## A Queen's Speech on life chances

I am pleased that the Queen's Speech identified the importance of supporting young people and extending excellence in schools. Today we are still too unequal, however education has the capacity to alter this: learning changes lives because it changes life chances.

I wrote an article for The Telegraph on my thoughts, which you can read at: <http://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/2016/05/19/david-cameron-fight-against-social-injustice-will-define-his-le/>

## Success at the Town Hall Meeting

Many constituents contact me asking to meet to discuss Government policies. Due to the volume of requests I can't meet people at surgeries to talk about these issues. I therefore held a Town Hall Meeting in Warsash and it was a great success. I shall be making Town Hall Meetings and Coffee Mornings a regular fixture so that constituents can come and have a chat. Future events will be announced on my website:

<http://www.suellafernandes.co.uk/events>

## Titchfield Primary

I had a wonderful afternoon at Titchfield Primary School. The children were delightful and the staff an inspiration. I am so proud of the quality schools we have here in Fareham, which are a credit to the local community.

## Learning to shoot in Shrivenham

I spent three days training at The Defence Academy, Shrivenham on the Armed Forces Parliamentary Scheme this month. A particular highlight was live fire tuition, experiencing a variety of weapons. I am so pleased I joined the scheme and have learnt so much about the forces over the past year of training and exercise.

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## Surgery & other dates

Call to arrange an appointment:

EU debate, Saturday 11th June, 2pm.

Surgery, Friday 17th June 2016,  
Portchester.

Surgery, Friday 15th July 2016, Locks  
Heath.