

# Fareham News

*News from Fareham Labour Party*

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## YOUR PUBLIC SERVICES IN DANGER



Police & Fire services under attack

Fareham Labour is against cuts to Police and Fire & Rescue Services funding imposed by the Conservative Government and Hampshire County Council.

Hampshire police face reductions of up to 1,200 officers and staff jobs over the next five years. Policing will drop dramatically leading to fears of an increase in crime.

Hampshire Fire Service is no better off, losing more than 200 fire fighters which is bound to stretch the service even more than now. Locally, the cuts will mean a reduction in both vehicles and firefighters. Labour is committed to oppose these cuts and will do all we can to help maintain these vital frontline services.

## Campaign for more Cycleways

On major routes throughout the Borough of Fareham - such as the A27 The Avenue - the current provision for cyclists is sadly lacking. Cycling should be encouraged as a boost to fitness and good health and a sound environmentally friendly alternative to the car.

Residents should be entitled to make their journeys safely through dedicated cycle lanes or on shared cycle and pedestrian pathways.

We are calling on Hampshire County and

Fareham Borough Councils to invest in improvements to the cycle network on key routes in Fareham.

PLEASE SHOW YOUR SUPPORT BY SIGNING THE PETITION ON OUR WEBSITE:

[www.farehamlabour.org.uk](http://www.farehamlabour.org.uk)



# STOP the Tax Credit Cuts



David Cameron and George Osborne have broken their promise to be on the side of working families. Their tax credit cuts will hit around 3 million working families - leaving them on average £1,300 worse off. This cut in income because of their new tax credit system is a real blow to families on middle and lower incomes.

The Conservatives, over the last five years, have failed to build a better economy which Britain will need if we are to raise living standards for all and deal with the deficit. The gap between British productivity and the rest of the world's top economies is now the widest it has been since 1991. In addition, revised figures show that productivity growth will be down over each of the next four years. This is after the Tories have

already been in government for five years.

We need a fairer alternative for dealing with the deficit which helps the many rather than a few very rich families.

Labour has launched a campaign urging the Conservative Government to stop their tax credit cuts which will hit around 3 million hard working families.

Write to us (on the form below) about your worries concerning the changes to tax credits and the affect it will have on your family.

## Ways to get in touch



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## Health and Social Care

Hospitals are under massive pressure and that is because the Government has made it harder for people to see a GP and has cut care in the home for older people. Hospital wards are dangerously full and understaffed. Local NHS Trusts are significantly over budget and have to make savings of £27 million. Cuts to social care are putting even greater pressure on the NHS with nationally 300,000 fewer older people receiving care compared to five years ago.



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## WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU

What could Labour do to help?

If there was an election tomorrow how would you vote?

Labour ☐ Conservative ☐ Other ☐

- ☐ I'm against the proposed housing plan south of Longfield Avenue
- ☐ I agree we need more cycleways in Fareham
- ☐ I'd like to become a member of the Labour Party, please send me a form

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