

# Fareham News

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## Crisis in Elderly Care

The Labour Party in Hampshire is campaigning against huge Tory cuts which has plunged our social care system into crisis, leaving elderly Hampshire residents without sufficient care in their homes and communities. Older people are being stranded on hospital wards for months on end because they have nowhere safe to go. Problems in our social care system are having a severe knock on effect on other services, such as GPs and Accident and Emergency.



Cuts to local council funding of adult social care funding will threaten the most vulnerable and undermine the NHS. Rising demand without adequate funding places significant pressures on our adult social care service.

Despite their claims about funding the NHS, in reality the Government's severe cuts to local government funding has badly damaged adult social care and public health. QA Hospital along with many hospitals across the country are facing budget overspends which will lead to further pressure on the trusts in future years. The integration of our health and social care systems is key to ensuring people receive the care and support they deserve.

The NHS and providers of social care face challenges around costs and recruitment of suitably qualified, skilled staff. Fareham Labour demand that staff including carers are paid a decent Living Wage to ensure staff are properly motivated and supported as they provide care for our vulnerable and elderly residents.

## 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.

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# Labour's "20's Plenty" Campaign

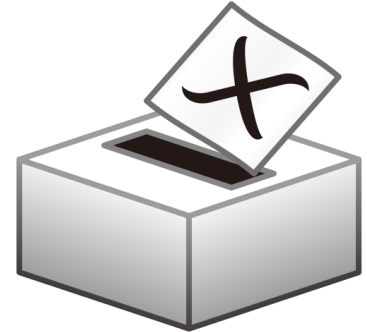
Over four years ago Fareham Labour started this campaign which is now making real headway. The County Council has been forced to listen to local people in their fight to reduce speeds to 20mph on residential roads. Due to this more and more residential roads in the County are being changed to 20mph speed limits.

We are committed to fighting for safer roads throughout the Borough of Fareham.



## Our Policies for Hampshire

- Prioritise care so that the elderly and the vulnerable have the services they need
- Pay care staff good wages for the time they need to look after elderly clients
- Integrate health and care so that the NHS and community services work together
- Support every school and college to excel for pupils, parents and the community
- Give full support to disabled children, their carers and their parents
- Ensure Children's Centres meet the needs of disadvantaged families
- Keep household waste centres open to meet your needs and avoid fly-tipping
- Maintain the roads to avoid potholes that put all road users at risk
- Resurface pavements to make them safe for residents
- Combine street cleansing and weed clearance to keep neighbourhoods tidy
- Improve evening and weekend bus services to town centres
- Introduce "20 is Plenty" speed limit in residential roads and near schools



## Fareham Borough Future Development



Community spaces in Fareham town centre, Portchester Precinct and Warsash College are areas considered for future development. Fareham Labour Party want to see better use made of these areas taking opportunities for refurbishment to encourage better facilities such as shops, cafes, libraries, community centres etc. whilst also providing much needed homes within and nearby. Urgent action is needed to address the housing crisis in Hampshire with a demand for more affordable homes to buy and to rent through local authority, housing association and co-operative housing.

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