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## COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

### Your **LABOUR** Team Reporting Back

## FLEETLANDS 'JOB LOSS' ANGER

**The Labour Group were shocked to hear of proposed job losses at Fleetlands.**

Rumour has been rife for many years about the possibility of job losses at the Aircraft Repair Facility, but with the decision apparently now made for at least 225 jobs to go by March 2007- almost a quarter of the workers - your Labour Councillors are looking to see what action can be taken to save jobs on this site.

*"We are completely opposed to this and always have been,"* said Councillor Shaun Cully, Bridgemary Councillor and Leader of the Labour Group. *"We are outraged that the Government wants to reduce jobs at such an important facility as part of a cost cutting*



*exercise and to the detriment of local working people. We need more jobs for local people on the Gosport peninsula, not less, and that is what we will push for. We will certainly oppose any proposal to build housing on the site."*

Shaun and his team are now in the process of trying to arrange a meeting with a Defence Minister to put to him the importance of Gosport's case to maintain this great working facility and jobs for local people.



**MAST MADNESS** We have been approached by a number of local residents concerned about the number of telecommunication masts going up, in and around the town. There have been several reports in the media about the way they can affect health and, although nothing has been proved so far, it is something that the Labour Group are also concerned about. ***"We actually believe that there are already too many in the area with even more planned and that until more is known about them we should call a halt to more being installed"*** said Councillor Shaun Cully. However the Tories have a different policy. At a recent meeting leading Tory Councillor Peter Langdon said ***"I don't have a problem with them - I would cover Gosport in masts, the more the better."***

## HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENTS

Following complaints about speeding motorists from local residents, highway safety improvement schemes are being considered by Hampshire County Council for Tukes Avenue and for the junction of Gregson Avenue and Prideaux Brune Avenue. Speaking on this Councillor Dennis Wright said " It is important that any scheme proposed must have the support of local residents and I and my Labour colleagues will make sure that Hampshire County Council carries out full consultation with residents through public meetings and presentations".



## MAKING OUR COMMUNITY SAFER

Thanks to the efforts of Councillor Shaun Cully, policing presence in the Bridgemary area has now been increased. A police sergeant and three police officers are now devoted to the Bridgemary area and are on regular patrol. They can be contacted directly at their surgery on the first Saturday of each month between 10 am and 12 noon at Bridgemary Library. Your Labour Councillors hope this will help to reduce some of the anti-social behaviour that we have been seeing of late.



# Labour Councillors Working Hard All Year Round

## Out and About In Bridgemary

### Dayshes Close Flooding

Councillor Martyn Davis arranged a meeting between Hampshire Highways and Southern Water following the recent flooding. As a result of that meeting dehumidifiers were offered to those residents who wanted them and underground cameras were used to investigate the local drainage system. Martyn is arranging for further meetings to take place with Southern Water and is pressing for the Dayshes Close area to be given top priority in their drainage improvement programme.

### School Crossing Upgrade

The School crossing patrol site at the junction of Gorselands Way and Tichborne Way is about to be upgraded. Work will include new sign posts, red anti-skid surfacing on the highway, bollards and tactile paving. Councillor Jill Wright, who pressed for the improvement, hopes that this will make it safer for children going to and from the Rowner schools and for the parents who take them.



### New Community Facilities

New community facilities are to be developed for local people. A new exercise studio costing £300,000 is to be built at Bridgemary School for use by both pupils and local residents. The new studio will be available for dance, aerobics, gymnastics, martial arts and physical education purposes. Your Labour Councillors welcome this investment from Hampshire County Council, which is something they have been campaigning for over several years.



### Carpet Capers Continue

In our last newsletter we told you how the Tories have already splashed out £8,000 on new blue carpets throughout the Town Hall. Well the Tories' carpet blues continue - they have now spent another £8,000 on blue carpets for the reception area. This now brings the total spent on blue carpets for the Town Hall this year to £16,000. When will This Nonsense End? **Remember It's Your Money They're Spending.**



**WE WISH YOU A MERRY CHRISTMAS**



**AND**

**A VERY HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR FROM**

**YOUR BRIDGEMARY LABOUR COUNCILLORS**

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**Have Your Say:- Do you have a problem, complaint or point of view we can help with? Then Let Us Know.**



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