

## NOW ARRIVING AT ... WINCHESTER STATION

The new South Western Railway (SWR) took over from South West Trains last month and will run local services for the next seven years.

Their bid to win the franchise included improved capacity, Wi-Fi, journey times and smart ticketing to include part-time season tickets at last!

Local MP Steve Brine continues to work closely on the subject and met SWR many times throughout the tender process to ensure they were aware of Winchester's priorities and says "I was impressed with SWR's ambition and energy, they're clearly hungry to deliver a better railway for my constituents. I've met their top team and made it clear I want to work with them but will hold them to every one of their promises.

"Crucially, Network Rail must go on delivering the infrastructure that makes increased capacity possible. It's why I channel so much energy as an experienced constituency MP into the railway. Finally, I am staying close to the work taking place by the Andover Road access to the station where we need to ensure safe pedestrian (and cyclist) access is maintained."

In 2013, Steve held a special ASKSWT event at St Paul's Church. SWR have already agreed to hold a similar event early in 2018 so look out for details of that in the local press and via [www.stevebrine.com/trains](http://www.stevebrine.com/trains)



*Steve meeting with Network Rail in July to discuss the planned August works at Waterloo station*

## NEWS IN BRIEF.....

- Congratulations to Design Engine of Elm Road who have won a national award for their work on the 'stunning' Winton Chapel built at the University of Winchester.
- School funding – local Conservatives have welcomed an additional £1.3 billion for schools funding over two years. This is excellent news and another step to fulfilling the manifesto promise we made at this year's election.
- Phoebe School – congratulations to the team for bringing a unique holiday club to Fulflood. The intergenerational playscheme is a unique holiday club where the young and the young at heart join together and met at the Log Cabin in Stockbridge Road this Summer.

[www.phoebeschool.org](http://www.phoebeschool.org)

## MP SPEAKS AT INTERNATIONAL HEALTH SUMMIT

Steve Brine was a key speaker at a global Family Planning Summit held in London. Speaking as a UK Health Minister he focussed on the successes of halving the UK's teenage pregnancy rate and how parts of the developing world can use that experience. Steve says; "Family planning is a best-buy in global development and in all our interests. When women and girls have access to family planning, they are able to complete their education and fulfil their full potential."

## STOCKBRIDGE ROAD OFFICE

After more than seven years, Steve Brine and his team are leaving their office in Stockbridge Road. The landlord is selling the property as residents will have noticed.

Steve told InTouch; "I would like to thank everyone in Fulflood for an always friendly face and especially the team at Pickards, the Leaf & Bean as well as Tony at the Dry Cleaners and Keith at Fulflood Framing for becoming friends as well as neighbours."



*Steve Brine MP with Tony outside Tony's Dry Cleaners*

# KEEPING IN TOUCH

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## FUTURE HOSPITAL SERVICES

Winchester MP Steve Brine is sticking close to continued discussions about the future shape of acute hospital services in Winchester.

Steve is working closely with clinicians to secure safe and sustainable local services **and told In Touch**; "What we need is a sensible, balanced discussion about future services which is informed, realistic and above all credible. As an experienced constituency MP, I know we must keep cool heads and understand what the RHCH actually does right now. This is too important for short-term party politics so my challenge to other parties locally is to **leave that at the door as well**"

Read more:

[www.stevebrine.com/prioritynhs](http://www.stevebrine.com/prioritynhs)



Steve with new Hampshire NHS Trust Chief Executive, Alex Whitfield

## THE FUTURE OF THE BARRACKS

Preparatory work continues ahead of the planned closure of the Sir John Moore Barracks. Leaders of both Conservative-led City and County Councils have met the MOD several times – along with Steve Brine MP – in pursuit of a knowledge park on the 86-hectare site. Caroline Horrill, Leader of Winchester City Council and local Councillor, has been clear: "I want to retain a good amount of employment on the barracks site and an acceptable and sensible mix of housing, protected open-spaces, and community facilities. We must maintain and protect a rural gap between Littleton and Harestock, or the character of the area **and village will be damaged.**"

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