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**Conservative  
Candidate for Gosport,  
Stubbington,  
Lee-on-the-Solent and  
Hill Head**



At the end of last month the General Election kicked off so, in April, in addition to all my normal constituency casework, I took the opportunity to hit the streets of Gosport, Stubbington, Lee-on-the-Solent and Hill Head, chatting to as many people as possible about the issues that matter to them.

It has been a massive honour to represent this constituency in Parliament for the past five years and in recent weeks I've enjoyed catching up again with many of the people that I've met over that time. I've enjoyed many a cuppa with residents in sheltered accommodation, met people commuting on the Gosport Ferry and held street stalls on Gosport High Street and in Lee-on-the-Solent and Stubbington village.

This month we celebrated St. George's Day; the local Conservatives ran a stall at the ever-popular festival organised by the Crofton Lions on Stubbington Green and as a local Scouting Ambassador I was delighted to join the Gosport Scouts and Guides for their annual parade and service at Gosport waterfront.

We remembered the local men who lost their lives at Gallipoli during a service at Gosport Cricket Club where the Last Post was played and children from Alverstoke Junior School sang songs from the era. I also attended a memorial service at the beautiful naval cemetery at Haslar and was delighted to see that the crowd of supporters joining the commemorations included a lovely group of leather clad Navy Bikers.

Here in Gosport, Stubbington, Lee-on-the-Solent and Hill Head we can be incredibly proud of the fantastic organisations which form support networks within our community. I met members of the Macular Society (as well as Poppy and Bella, two gorgeous guide dogs) when I was invited to one of their regular meetings. I also popped into our local branch of Headway at Bridgemary, which supports people with brain injuries. I was inspired by the courage and strength of the many members, as well as the progress they are making thanks to the help of wonderful volunteers.

Partners Through Pain is another great local resource for people enduring chronic pain and I took part in the support group's monthly meeting. We were joined by the Chair of the local Clinical Commissioning Group, the GP led organisation that has been tasked by the Government to decide how healthcare resources in our area are delivered.



*Out and about with some of the local Conservative team*



*The Gosport Scouts' St George's Day Parade*



*At the Partners Through Pain meeting*

Scouts and Guides from across our area came together for their brilliant Gosport Gangshow performed at Ferneham Hall this month and I was lucky enough to get a sneak peak of the spectacular when I was invited to the dress rehearsal. I also joined the Gosport and Lee Lions, a fantastic group who raise so much money for local good causes, to celebrate their 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

It's been a busy month on the sporting front here. I helped Alverstoke Bowling Club launch their new season by 'delivering the first wood' (i.e. throwing the ball nowhere near the target!). It's a super local club with over 100 members and it was great to visit again.

Fleetlands FC played host to a 'Football for Cancer' charity day and I was tasked with kicking off the match between the teams playing in memory of local people lost to cancer. In the rugby cup final between Gosport and Havant – we played a great game but Havant narrowly emerged victorious. On the football front, Gosport Borough FC ended the season with a 2/1 victory over league champions Bromley – congratulations Borough!

Don't forget the Gosport Golden Mile is coming up at the end of May, with fun races for all age groups. If you fancy digging out your trainers and joining in you can sign up here: <http://www.nice-work.org.uk/events.php?id=93>. I met up with the brilliant organisers at the event launch on Stokes Bay.

We had great news from local business, RPS Estate Agents in Lee-on-the-Solent as they were presented with the Gold Award for the southern region at the ESTAS Awards. This is a great achievement for this small independent firm which was in direct competition with a number of high profile, multi-branch companies covering a wide area.

As we near the end of the 2015 Election campaign, I'd like to say a huge thank you to everyone who has given me such a warm welcome and strong support not only in the past few weeks but over the last five years. I really hope that you might allow me to continue to work hard on behalf of Gosport, Stubbington, Lee-on-the-Solent and Hill Head and see our wonderful area fulfil its enormous potential.

Best wishes

*Caroline*

#### GET IN TOUCH!

If you would like to help out in the last few days of our General Election campaign delivering leaflets, knocking on doors or helping out with office admin, we would love to hear from you. Please use the details on the right to get in touch. You can also contact me if you have any concerns about local or national issues.

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At Gosport Bowling Club



Kicking off the local Football for Cancer match



Getting set for the Gosport Golden Mile next month!



With Mark Rowe from RPS Estate Agents