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LATEST NEWS:

STOP PRESS:

My **4th Jobs Fair** will be held at **Carmarthen's Civil Hall on Thursday 16th October, 3-6pm**. If you are a jobseeker or an employer with jobs to fill please contact Christine to register your attendance - Christine.toy@parliament.uk

I hope many of you were able to witness the incredible **Ironman Wales competition held in Tenby** recently. Over 40,000 spectators and 2,000 competitors took part from across the world, bringing attention and business to our area. A big thank you to all those who have helped establish this as one of the area's greatest successes.



Recent events here in Pembrokeshire and Carmarthenshire have included:



Meeting **Chris Smith, the new Chief Fire Officer for Mid & West Wales Fire and Rescue Service in Carmarthen** (*pic left*). We discussed the challenges facing the service and how he sees changes impacting on the area.

Celebrating **Pembroke Dock's bi-centenary** at their civic parade and military tattoo. The town's efforts have been fantastic this year. It feels like a celebration every week and the work involved has been colossal.

Supporting local campaigns. This is a key element of my role and over 60 people attended my public meeting for the **campaign against a new-build primary school in Tenby**. I have also supported safety measures for a **dangerous junction in Red Roses**, lobbied

Pembrokeshire County Council over the **future of Narberth Pool**, as well as the **Port of Milford Haven** to tighten up the way it does business.

Getting out and about to local events. This is one of my great pleasures and this summer I have been to many tourism-related events from the **arrival of the lions at Folly Farm**, the **new restaurant opening at Oakwood** and the **successful Wings over Carew event**. Also particularly memorable was welcoming the **German cruise ship, Delphin, to Pembroke Port** (*pic right*).



Dealing with constituents issues, including a wide range of health-related cases involving the Welsh Government and the local Health Board. One particularly tough example was a local lady faced with the fact that the Health Board refused to pay for her cancer treatment in England. This story was picked up in the national papers and the Health Board are reviewing the decision



Helped 90 year-old veteran **Frederick Dangerfield** (*pic left*) receive the **Burma Star medal** that was 70 years overdue.

Visits to **Pennar, Llanboidy and Ysgol Greenhill schools** to speak to pupils about life as an MP, the Welsh language, independence for Wales and many other topics. These are amongst the toughest events I have to do - no one can say our children are poorly informed or lacking a view!

Attending the **Royal Welsh Show, the Pembrokeshire County Show, Lamphey and Martletwy shows**, as well as dozens of private visits to businesses that help promote West Wales.

In Westminster I have:

Met BT Openreach and local tourism operators to discuss the **on-going issue of inadequate broadband provision in our area** and the problems this causes for businesses and individuals living and working in West Wales.

Helped **launch the Summer Reading Challenge** (*pic right*) which was aimed at encouraging children to read more during the summer holidays. I was able to choose a number of books to be presented to a local school or library, as well as a pack of stickers, posters and games to help children get the reading bug.

Held a meeting with the new **Culture Secretary, Sajid Javid MP**, to talk about the upcoming **move of S4C to their new headquarters in**



Carmarthen. Sajid really understands the importance of the Welsh language and is determined to help ensure this is a success.

Spoken in a debate outlining the **importance of outdoor sport and recreation for people of all ages**, but particularly for children. During a **debate on UK media** I highlighted the need for local events, such as Ironman Wales, to get more coverage.

And finally....

Three MPs of various political persuasions and a star of 'Casualty' recently joined the **Lords & Commons Cricket team** to take on my old club Cresselly. After a very competitive match and thanks to the **generosity of Valero**, more than **£600 was raised for the [Tom Maynard Trust](#)**. Thank you to all those who came and supported us!



What's coming up:

My "**pub politics**" sessions continue to be popular with some evenings attracting up to 75 people. You will receive an invitation to your nearest event if I've not already been to your area.

I've recently held surgeries in Whitland and Pembroke Dock and my next ones are **on 10th October in Whitland** and **24th October in Llandowror**. Please call the office to make an appointment.

Contact me by emailing simon.hart.mp@parliament.uk or call 01994 342002. Up to date information and news can be found on my website simon-hart.com

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