

20th Dec 11:

We are now able to reveal that the future of the Hole In The Wall, Great Southsea Street has been secured following the purchase of the freehold to the pub by incumbent licensee, Jon McKerracher. Marvellous news indeed.

14th Dec 11:

The Tangier is reported to be open again.

24th Nov 11:

The Clarendon Tavern, Clarendon Road, is presently undergoing conversion to a convenience store.

18th Nov 11:

The Traveller's Joy, Milton Road, is presently being demolished.

18th Nov 11:

The Globe, Victoria Road South, has now inexplicably reverted to the name The Fat Fox after just a few months with the 'new' name!

21st Oct 11:

The Avenue Hotel, Twyford Avenue, is now closed and boarded.

17th Oct 11:

The News reports that the Alexandra, Wingfield Street, is for sale by Punch Taverns. The pub shall continue to trade until a buyer is found.

4th Oct 11:

Plans have been submitted to the city council to convert the upper floors of the Surrey Arms, Surrey Street, to a nightclub. The existing pub shall also be affected.

4th Oct 11:

The White House, Milton Road, is now boarded up.

2nd Oct 11:

The Sallyport Hotel, High Street, has its freehold (plus contents) for sale, through Fleurets, for an eye-watering £1.3m!!!

2nd Oct 11:

The V Bar (Yorkshire Grey), Guildhall Walk is on the market (freehold and contents) for a mere £750,000 through Fleurets!!

2nd Oct 11:

The Travellers Rest, Somers Road, is on the market for £200,000

(freehold and contents) through Fleurets.

28th Sep 11:

The Hole In The Wall, Great Southsea Street, is holding its annual beer festival from 30th Sep until 9th Oct. Around fifty different ales from all over the UK shall be served throughout the duration. For more information regarding the beers available, see the pub's website or contact the Webmaster of this site.

28th Sep 11:

Sources close to the Webmaster have suggested that the Connaught Arms, Guildford Road, is due to close on 3rd October pending the appointment of a new licensee.

23rd Sep 11:

Further to the last post - the Wig and Pen is now reported to be displaying a For Sale board.

18th Sep 11:

The Wig and Pen, Landport Terrace, is displaying signs in the windows stating that the pub is 'temporarily closed'. More info when it becomes available.

5th Sep 11:

Greene King has applied for planning permission to construct a rear extension to the Bold Forester, Albert Road, to form an enlarged trade kitchen. The present structure shall be demolished.

4th Sep 11:

The inn sign of the White House, Milton Road, has now been removed. Rumour has it that the pub is due to close at the end of September.

1st Sep 11:

The Terrace Bar, Guildhall Walk, has reopened as the Lyberry.

1st Sep 11:

The Fat Fox, Victoria Road South, has been renamed the Globe Inn.

1st Sep 11:

The Shepherd's Crook is now reported to be selling cask ale again. Wells Bombardier is currently available at £2.80 per pint.

1st Sep 11:

The Tangier, Tangier Road, is reported to now be closed pending the arrival of a new lessee.

22nd Aug 11:

The Royal Albert, Albert Road, is now stocking real ale. The present beer is Pompey Royal from Gosport's Oakleaf Brewery.

16th Aug 11:

The Tangier, Tangier Road, presently has its lease for sale through Enterprise Inns.

11th Aug 11:

The White House, Eastney Road, now has its freehold for sale at a staggering £450,000 ono - this could well be the death knell for the pub, which is probably now a strong contender for demolition and redevelopment as a retail premises.

5th Aug 11:

Plans have been submitted to construct a six storey hotel, bar and cafe on the Keppels Head car park, The Hard. Planning ref. 11/00729/OUT.

5th Aug 11:

A revised planning application has been submitted, to convert part of the Royal Exchange, Fawcett Road, into a single house. Planning ref. 11/00720/FUL.

28th Jul 11:

Fast food company Papa John's has applied for planning consent to convert part of the Blue Anchor, London Road, to a pizza takeaway outlet. Planning ref. 11/00688/FUL.

26th Jul 11:

The former Wheelbarrow, Kent Road, is soon to reopen as a coffee house.

26th Jul 11:

Work is well underway to convert the New Roebuck, New Road, to a Spar convenience store.

11th Jul 11:

Plans are afoot to convert the upper levels of the long-closed Portland Hotel (Havana Bar et al) to flats.

11th Jul 11:

The Rutland Arms, Francis Avenue, is reported to be under new management, selling Butcombe Bitter, plus plans to stock a rotating guest beer from a local microbrewery.

23rd Jun 11:

One of our correspondants reports that "The Golden Eagle [Fawcett Road] was last night shut down by the police due to crime and disorder. The police have insisted on a new landlord. The pub will remain shut until at least next Wednesday."

13th Jun 11:

The New Roebuck, New Road, is undergoing work to convert the premises to three flats following the awarding of planning consent.

13th Jun 11:

The White House, Milton, has now reopened under new management. One cask ale is being served, with plans to introduce more if demand is sufficient.

2nd Jun 11:

Martha's update: The earlier post regarding a reopening has been deleted as this appears to have been a Facebook hoax.

2nd Jun 11:

A revised planning application has been submitted to demolish the Wymering Arms, Medina Road, and construct a block of fifteen flats on the site.

24th May 11:

The Avenue Hotel, Twyford Avenue, is on the market for £425,000 freehold. Contact Fleurets, ref: Ref S-012085.

24th May 11:

Martha's, Commercial Road, will serve its last drinks on the evening of 30th/31st May. The pub stands in a prime redevelopment area and is eventually due for demolition along with its neighbouring properties.

23rd May 11:

Plans have been submitted to the City council to build a three storey block of thirteen flats on the site of the Swan, Copnor Road.

23rd May 11:

Plans have been submitted to the City council to construct a fourteen storey hotel on the site of the Market House Tavern, Mile End Road.

23rd May 11:

The Blue Anchor, Kingston Cross, is reported to now be displaying a 'sold' sign. No further information at present.

17th May 11:
The Gravediggers, Highland Road, has now reopened.

17th May 11:
The Strand Bar, Clarendon Road, is reported to be on the market for redevelopment, at a price of £330,000.

15th May 11:
Punch Taverns is seeking a new lessee for the Fort Cumberland Arms, Eastney Road, via McCoy's pub brokers. Those interested should contact Keith Seamore of McCoy's on 0845 257 2121.

15th May 11:
The New Roebuck, New Road, is reported to be closed once again.

15th May 11:
Planning permission has been given to convert the Sportsmans Rest, Copnor Road into four flats and one house.

9th May 11:
The Swan, Copnor Road, is now closed - and is unlikely to reopen.

9th May 11:
More news regarding the White House, Milton Road: Contrary to the licensee's denials, the pub has now closed. It is rumoured that the house will be converted to a convenience store.

28th Apr 11:
The Traveller's Joy, Milton Road, is now closed and boarded. It shall not be reopening as a pub.

21st Apr 11:
The Gravediggers, Highland Road, is reported to have closed for business. A For Sale sign is still displayed outside.

21st Apr 11:
Contrary to the entry below, it would appear that the White House is not due to close. The licensee has stated such to the Portsmouth News today. The member of staff who stated that the pub was to close was obviously misinformed (and not the licensee, as she led us to believe!)

12th Apr 11:
The licensee of the White House, Milton Road, is reported to have been given one month's notice to quit by owner Enterprise Inns, who has designated the pub as a 'redevelopment site'. The pub will therefore close

soon, though it is not yet known as to whether the building shall be retained or demolished.

9th Apr 11:

The Stranded Bar, Clarence Parade, has thankfully reverted to its proper name, the Jolly Sailor.

6th Apr 11:

The New Roebuck, New Road, is reported to be trading once again, albeit with a For Sale sign outside.

6th Apr 11:

A new planning application has been submitted to convert the Royal Exchange, Fawcett Road, into two houses and four flats. It would therefore appear that the pub has been lost for good.

6th Apr 11:

The site of the former Sir Robert Peel pub on Astley Street, Somerstown, is now the subject of a revised planning application to construct a 5/6 storey block of flats.

4th Apr 11:

The Strand Bar, Clarendon Road, is now closed and boarded.

27th Mar 11:

The Villiers Inn, Palmerston Road, has changed hands and now trades as a wine bar and bistro.

25th Mar 11:

News from the Cellars at Eastney is that negotiations are in progress between Enterprise Inns and a potential buyer of the freehold. In the meantime, the pub's management is continuing to trade as normal, with all advertised gigs unaffected. No changes are planned following the sale of the house. This is good news indeed for both pub goers and live music lovers in Portsmouth. We wish Steve and his staff well.

24th Mar 11:

The Cellars at Eastney, Cromwell Road, is now displaying a For Sale (Freehold) sign. The webmaster is presently awaiting further information from the management and will publish further news here as soon as more details are available.

22nd Mar 11:

The Kings, Albert Road, has now reopened following refurbishment and is reported to be selling three cask beers.

22nd Mar 11:

The Derby Tavern, Stamshaw Road, is now selling cask ale.

18th Mar 11:

The Invincible, Wickham Street, has reopened under new management. The licensee is hoping to stock four cask ales.

18th Mar 11:

The Kraken Wakes, St Michael's Road, is reported to have reverted to its original name, the Registry.

10th Mar 11:

The application to convert part of the Royal Exchange on Fawcett Road to a private house has thankfully been withdrawn.

21st Feb 11:

The Kings, Albert Road, is presently closed for refurbishment. The pub is expected to reopen in around five weeks time.

21st Feb 11:

The Golden Eagle, Fawcett Road, has reopened under interim management.

21st Feb 11:

The Eastfield Hotel is currently serving Fuller's London Pride and Skinners Betty Stogg's bitter. This is due to be complimented by Oakleaf Pompey Royal once the pub is affiliated to the SIBA direct delivery scheme. A fourth beer engine is also planned to enable another beer from a local micro to be sold.

11th Feb 11:

After a number of years standing empty, a revised planning application has been submitted to demolish the former Town House (Cambridge Arms) on Portland Road and replace the building with nine houses.

8th Feb 11:

The Golden Eagle, Fawcett Road, is reported to be closed at present. Future uncertain.

31st Jan 11:

Part of the Royal Exchange, 122 Fawcett Road, is the subject of an application for conversion to housing.

31st Jan 11:

The New Roebuck, New Road, is presently the subject of a planning application to convert the upper floors to three flats, plus a first floor rear extension to the building.

29th Jan 11:

The Wymering Arms, Medina Road, is presently the subject of a fight to save the pub after plans were submitted to demolish the house and build flats on the site. Local residents are campaigning to retain the building for alternative use.

4th Jan 11:

The Invincible, Havant Street, is reported to have closed yesterday due to financial difficulties. Future presently uncertain.

4th Jan 11:

The lease of the Rutland Arms, Francis Avenue, is now up for sale through McCoy's Pub Brokers.

4th Jan 11:

The Eastney Tavern, Cromwell Road, is currently available as a new lease or tenancy through Enterprise Inns.