

This is my last column for the KM until (all being well) after the Election. I'd like to thank you for reading each week and for the feedback. I have tried not to be too party political so hope you have found it an interesting and useful insight into my working week and the policy issues I care about.

As regular readers will know I care passionately about issues that concern older members of our local community. Not only do I think that MPs have a responsibility to look after those who have spent their lives contributing to society but having had a grandmother who worked in adult social care, her passion for providing good and compassionate services definitely rubbed off on me!

That's why in two weeks time I am hosting a pensioners fair bringing together 50 different organisations, charities and community activity groups under one roof. University students get a Freshers Fair and unemployed people have Jobs Fairs so this is the equivalent for older people. It will showcase services that can help support older people to enable them to stay living well in the community. While many of these will be health care or social care related, I didn't want it to only be about that so there will also be stalls from volunteer and activity groups and even a cake school.

The fair is open to all and is being held at the Capel Morris Centre on the RBLI site off Hall Road, Aylesford. It is open from 10am until 2pm and free refreshments will be served.

I want people to know that there are services out there that can help them from reaching crisis point and for me, raising their profile, as well as doing what I can from a parliamentary perspective, is one of the best ways I can continue to support local residents.