

Ex-MEP among line-up in latest EU referendum debate

THE line-up of speakers has been unveiled for the New Forest's latest EU referendum hustings.

Next Friday (June 10th), New Milton company Col-Tec Solutions will host what has been billed as "the alternative debate" with a pair from each side putting their case to an audience and taking questions.

The event had been planned as a politician-free zone but arguing to remain will be the Conservative leader of Hampshire County Council, Coun. Roy Perry, who lives in West Wellow and spent 10 years as an MEP from 1994-2004.

He will be supported by Andy Ross, a scientist, philosopher and now party political campaigner who has written several academic books and taught in Oxford, London and Japan. He grew up in Poole and has worked in Germany

in science publishing and business software development.

The event is being organised by Paul Bailey, a UKIP candidate at the last general election and managing director of Col-Tec Solutions. He will make up one half of the side arguing for the UK to leave the EU.

His debate partner will be Michael Duffy, a successful entrepreneur in the groceries industry. During the past 10 years he has owned five Surrey-based food businesses employing up to 180 people with an annual turnover of £8m.

The event will be held at Col-Tec's base on the Stem Lane Industrial Estate. To join the audience, pick up a ticket in advance from the company's reception between 10am and 3pm, Monday to Friday. To find out more call 01425 627755 or email col-tec.admin@btconnect.com