



**Thrilled:** mum-to-be

## Actress Claire having a baby with her ex

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FORMER Brookside star Claire Sweeney's "dreams have come true" after falling pregnant with her ex's baby.

The 43-year-old, who is five months along, is having a son with one-time fiance Daniel Reilly, 29, who she split from after Christmas. The pair remains friends.

She is currently starring in a play she co-wrote and agent Jonathan Shalit said: "Claire could not be happier. To be pregnant and starring in her own show in her home town of Liverpool is all her dreams come true at once."

The baby will be their first child together after she had a miscarriage in 2012.

Last year she revealed she had been to a fertility doctor and was given a clean bill of health. She said: "When we lost the baby, I was very philosophical about it. It wasn't meant to be."

Claire is performing at the Liverpool Royal Court in play *Sex and the Suburbs*.