

WYRE FOREST DISTRICT COUNCIL

ANNUAL REPORT OF ACTIVITIES 2010/11

COUNCILLOR: MUMSHAD AHMED

Ward Activities this year, including outside bodies:

I am a District Councillor for Broadwaters and a County Councillor for St Georges and St Oswald which covers mostly Broadwaters and part of Greenhill.

I am constantly working on a host of issues on behalf of the constituents. These include housing matters, street cleaning and maintenance of parks and environment, crime and disorder matters.

I have aided the re-housing of several constituents with serious housing problems.

I have worked closely with the local policing team on racial and drug related matters.

I do not hold surgeries, however I try to walk the whole of Broadwaters once a month. I am also available at all the other resident meetings I attend.

I have also been involved in the public consultation on the Public art project at the Horsefair triangle.

I have constantly worked on arranging for potholes in my ward to be filled and for public footpath improvements in and around the Broadwaters area. I have also been working closely with teachers, staff and parents of St Marys and St Oswalds Primary school for after school clubs.

Highlights:

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Special Knowledge:

Having lived in Hurcott Road for 30 years and being a local businessman, I have vast experience and knowledge of the area and believe people in the ward need a face to face contact with their Councillor. I am fluent in 2 languages and am able to help and interpret for the Bangladeshi community.

I am also a governor of St Ambrose school.

Attendance Percentage for 2010/11

90%.



Ward Information:

Broadwaters

Political Group:

Independent

Committee Membership:

Council,
Kidderminster
Educational
Foundation.



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COUNCILLOR: JOHN ASTON

Ward Activities this year, including outside bodies:

- *Campaigning for a crossing by the Spennells Play Area.*
- *Removal of large tree in Merganser Way involving lengthy talks with District Council.*
- *Planting 13,000 daffodil bulbs on Spennells and oak trees (x 24) to replace those taken down.*
- *Negotiated with Council to erect bollards/kissing gate to prevent motorcycles gaining access to fields on the bridleway known as Route 537.*
- *Ongoing negotiations with Worcestershire County Council to try and block access to end of Mill Lane as 12 properties are experiencing robberies and damage to their homes day and night.*
- *Continuing to work with Worcester County Council to reduce the speed limit from 60 mph to 40 mph on Wilden Lane.*
- *Efforts are still continuing to resolve the problem in Cobham Wood by negotiating with Wyre Forest Community Housing.*
- *Several issues regarding Wyre Forest Housing i.e. evictions.*
- *Continuing with efforts to fill potholes.*
- *New manhole covers in Spennells.*
- *Resurfaced a section of road in Linnet Rise.*
- *Negotiating with Worcestershire County Council regarding double yellow lines opposite bus stop on edge of Captains Pool Road.*
- *Regular surgeries held.*
- *Hoo Road reduce speeding*

Highlights:

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Special Knowledge:

Excellent communicator with an ability to build rapport easily with a range of people.

Resolving problems and issues within the ward and representing constituents views.

Attendance Percentage for 2010/11

81%.



Ward Information:
Aggborough & Spennells

Political Group:
Conservative

Committee Membership:
Corporate Resources
Scrutiny Committee,
Council,
Kidderminster
Education Foundation



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I have only missed one PACT (Partners and Communities Together) meeting due to a Mayoral appointment. Problems from ward members for example, parking, speeding, dog fouling are discussed and acted upon. Police, politicians and members of the public take part. There are six meetings per year.

I am one of the Council's representatives on the Carpet Museum Trust. All our meetings are geared towards building and opening a Carpet Museum around 2013 or so.

I am a member of the Kidderminster Educational Foundation which distribute grants to organisations with an education background. Many local schools, sports groups, religious groups and recreation groups have benefitted from this fund. Due to the present financial climate, our funds only allow requests up to £1,000.

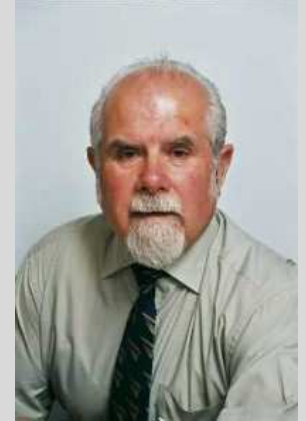
I am at this time Chairman of the Sports and Leisure Centre Review Panel looking into the future of our leisure centres. This scrutiny panel is in its early days and as yet no recommendations have been made.

I am a member of the Community and Regeneration Scrutiny Committee. Due to a Mayoral appointment I have missed a meeting but in the meetings I have attended, I have made an active contribution,

I am Chairman of the Licensing and Environmental Committee. Any public house premises that need an extension of hours or a change in their operation of how they run their premises need to put their new application to the Licensing Committee. If someone wishes to become a taxi driver and has a conviction, he/she has to appear before the Committee to see if he/she is a fit and proper person to drive a taxi. The activities of this Committee are many and varied and they now come under the auspices of the Worcestershire Regulatory Services.

I do not do surgeries, I do home visits. I find this a far better way to find out what assistance ward members require from me.

I am a member of the Conservative Group on Wyre Forest District Council which is the current administration under the Leadership of John-Paul Campion. I am the Leader of the Conservative Group on the Charter Trustees and also Chairman of Franche Ward Conservative Committee which meets monthly. We produce six leaflets per year which we distribute around our ward. This is our way of keeping ward members fully informed of our activities and to also get them involved.



Ward Information:
Franche

Political Group:
Conservative

Committee Membership:
Community & Regeneration Scrutiny Committee, Council, Kidderminster Educational Foundation, Kidderminster Educational Foundation Working Group, Chairman of Licensing & Environmental Committee, Sports & Leisure Centre Review Panel



Highlights:

Franche has had some pavements re-tarmaced in Marlpool Lane and Anne Hingley, Daniel McCann and myself spent many hours lobbying the Highways Department to undertake this work.

We now have a Lengthsman working hard in the ward and the fruits of his labour are already showing. I think he will improve things a great deal around the ward

Some new street lighting has also been installed around the ward. This has proved to be very popular with the residents and has enhanced the ward's facilities.

Special Knowledge:

I am now in my seventh year as a councillor and I have collected a lot of experience and knowledge along the way. My seventeen years as a Magistrate; twelve of those years as a Licensing Magistrate have given me a great deal of knowledge in my time as a member of the Licensing Committee.

I think I am a good communicator and my time with many local organisations has given me an insight into the workings and ways of Kidderminster and the Wyre Forest.

I was a Director of Kidderminster Harriers FC for 21 years and I am the club's senior life member. This association has been very good for me as I have been at the centre of the way the club has been run over the years - the ups and downs, the successes and the failures.

I believe this has made me the right type of person to be a good Ward Councillor.

My attendance at meetings is 96%. It would hopefully have been 100% if my Mayoral duties had not clashed with meeting dates.

Attendance Percentage for 2010/11

94% (subject to the Sports & Leisure Centre Review Panel meeting to be held on 17th May 2011).



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With regular Focus newsletters distributed to every household in Greenhill Ward there are open lines of communication with a Freepost facility for return of residents comments/suggestions - not all of which are necessarily polite but are all read and dealt with appropriately! The excellent local free newspapers Shuttle and Chronicle also provide a good source of information giving and receiving. I regularly attend PACT (Partners and Communities Together) meetings - held in the Catholic Club and ably independently chaired by the local priest - with an ever growing attendance by local residents. Following the inauguration of PACT a few years ago and a slow start, they have become an integral part of community life in the Ward. Since being first elected to represent Greenhill Ward in 1979 the issues raised then such as dogs fouling pavements; anti-social behaviour; lack of play/green space for children ; fewer police officers on the beat ; and planning issues often influenced by "not in my backyard" considerations are often still being regularly discussed. As all my Ward colleagues would say that we do our level best to deal with all these issues but are so often met with the response that whilst agreeing with the need there are no resources (cash) available. That situation is likely to worsen over the coming years.

Highlights:

At a very personal level I find most satisfaction in getting out around the Ward and distributing our regular Focus newsletter throughout the year and not simply at election time. The camaraderie that builds with residents (our customers at the end of the day) is always a highlight for me and is the opportunity to identify new local issues and to get feedback on previously actioned items. The use of e-mails from and to residents has increased as has my own experience of technology having started from a very low base.

Special Knowledge:

Most of my working life prior to my retirement was spent in the statutory and voluntary care sector which hopefully has given me a good grasp of the many social issues which effect all our lives. I have chaired for a number of years a WFDC Scrutiny Committee and also the annual Budget Review Panel which provides an all party analysis of the proposed spend for the following financial year. It provides the opportunity to ensure value for money for the tax paying residents in Wyre Forest and is a task I particularly enjoy. It is this special knowledge which has enabled me to support the proposals to build a single site office facility thereby saving £500K per annum - a decision which should have been taken 20 years ago.

Attendance Percentage for 2010/11

91%.



Ward Information:
Greenhill

Political Group:
Liberal

Committee Membership:
Audit,
Chairman of
Corporate Resources
Scrutiny Committee
Council,
Kidderminster
Educational
Foundation,
Project Board –
Stourport-on-Severn
Facilities



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COUNCILLOR: ROSE BISHOP

Ward Activities this year, including outside bodies:

I am a Governor at King Charles I School & Sixth Form Centre.

I am Chairman of the Offmore/Comberton Action Group and Chairman of the local PACT (Partners & Communities Together).

I am also a Member of the Disability Action Wyre Forest Group and Affordable Warmth Committee.

Highlights:

An amount of £22,000 has been raised this year towards new play equipment for the Borrington park.

We are now working towards an Eco project with King Charles Lower School in a rare habitat on the Comberton Estate and have funded the local allotment group an amount of £500 towards security fencing.

Special Knowledge:

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Attendance Percentage for 2010/11

96%.



Ward Information:
Offmore & Comberton

Political Group:
Liberal

Committee Membership:

Community & Regeneration Scrutiny Committee, Council, Ethics & Standards, Kidderminster Educational Foundation, Parking Review Phase II Review Panel.



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COUNCILLOR: ARTHUR BUCKLEY

Ward Activities this year, including outside bodies:

I travel round the ward on a regular basis and if I see or hear of anything that requires action, I notify whoever is appropriate. Also, I take any opportunity to meet local residents, respond to telephone calls and contacts and take action where necessary.

Highlights:

I received complaints about cars being parked and sold in a lay-by and I had the cars removed.

Special Knowledge:

Was a small business owner.

Attendance Percentage for 2010/11

85%.



Ward Information:
Wribbenhall

Political Group:
Conservative

Committee Membership:
Corporate Resources
Scrutiny Committee,
Council,
Kidderminster
Educational
Foundation,
Licensing &
Environmental,
Treasury Management
Review Panel,
Wyre Forest Highways
Partnership Forum



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COUNCILLOR: JOHN-PAUL CAMPION

Ward Activities this year, including outside bodies:

This past year has been an interesting and challenging year in Sutton Park with a diverse range of issues presenting themselves. During this year, we have seen issues raised in relation to anti social behaviour, speeding, planning, economic regeneration and recycling but to name but a few. I have worked closely with my colleagues Cllrs Onslow and Hart to ensure that we engage effectively as a team with the communities we work for throughout the year. We have delivered a regular newsletter informing our local residents as to pertinent issues and our activities as Ward Councillors. We have also met with our constituents as and when required. I have continued to liaise and engage with our public sector partners to help effectively represent the constituents of Sutton Park ward.

Highlights:

In addition to my work as a Ward Councillor, I have also held the office of Leader of the Council during the last year. The past year has been another significant challenge for the Council including significant financial pressure. I have worked effectively with the Chief Executive and Senior Leadership Team during the municipal year. I am pleased that we have seen a progressive budget proposed, scrutinised and adopted by the Council which will see it remain on strong financial foundations. I am also very pleased to say that the Council has continued to progress the project to deliver a new Council HQ that will save hundreds of thousands of pounds which will enable us to continue to protect services.

I have worked with all Group Leaders through this municipal year whilst not always being able to agree on all subjects, I hope that members will agree that communication has improved. I have participated fully in the Council's scrutiny function and continue to welcome scrutiny's involvement in police development.

Special Knowledge:

I have an educational background in Information Technology attaining a Bachelor of Science in Business Information Systems. I also have a wide experience of the private sector.

Attendance Percentage for 2010/11

90%.



Ward Information:
Sutton Park

Political Group:
Conservative
(Leader of the Council)

Committee Membership:
Appointment & Appeals,
Bewdley Museum Management Committee, Cabinet, Corporate Performance Clinic, Council, Group Leaders Meeting, Kidderminster Educational Foundation, Planning, Transformation Board



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COUNCILLOR: STEPHEN CLEE

Ward Activities this year, including outside bodies:

In the last 12 months I have been an active Ward Councillor.

Ward activity is on a daily/weekly basis with casework letters and emails resulting from regular newsletter distribution. I leaflet every door in my ward keeping my residents updated on local issues. That's 4,000 leaflets each time.

I am a Cabinet Member working with the Planning, Economic and Regeneration brief. Economic Development continues to play a major part in Wyre Forest District especially during the current national economic downturn. We have to remember that we have, in Kidderminster alone, over 850 businesses within the Town Centre, Crossley Retail Park, Mill Street and Comberton Hill areas.

Highlights:

During the year the Planning and Regulatory Services Directorate has had a very active time with the highlight being ourselves hosting the North Worcestershire Economic & Regeneration shared service with Bromsgrove and Redditch Councils.

Special Knowledge:

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Attendance Percentage for 2010/11

87%.



Ward Information:
Bewdley & Arley

Political Group:
Conservative
(Cabinet Member for
Planning & Economic
Regeneration)

**Committee
Membership:**
Bewdley Museum
Management
Committee,
Cabinet,
Council,
Kidderminster
Educational Foundation



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COUNCILLOR: NATHAN DESMOND

Ward Activities this year, including outside bodies:

My main focus of work in Oldington and Foley Park over the last year has been to continue to improve the quality of life for all residents.

I have focused on facilitating the improvement of road surfaces and pavements, clearing up litter hot spots and helping to tackle anti-social behaviour.

In addition, I have responded to and carried out a vast quantity of case work on many issues that have helped to aid and improve residents' quality of life.

Highlights:

This year I have had five lighting columns installed in the alleyway between Beauchamp Avenue and Lisle Avenue. This was first raised as an anti social behaviour issue at a local PACT (Partners and Communities Together) meeting.

I have also been able to get new pavements laid in Avon Road and Sutton Park Road.

I have had the green light for double yellow lines to be installed at the corner of Beauchamp Avenue and Blount Terrace. This was also raised at a PACT meeting because of parking problems.

I have had the Old Garage Site on Jubilee Drive cleared of all rubbish and fly tipping and had the entrance secured by having a barrier installed.

I have had all the overgrown bushes cut back along Goldthorn Road.

I have also given £3,500 from a pot of money for Positive Activities for Children to the YMCA Club to run after school activities at Birchen Coppice Primary School

Special Knowledge:

I have a degree in History and Politics which helps my understanding of the intricacies of politics on a national and international level. I also help run the family business in industrial and commercial flooring which gives me insight into challenges and pressures of the private sector.

Attendance Percentage for 2010/11

81%.



Ward Information:
Oldington & Foley Park

Political Group:
Conservative
(Cabinet Member for Resources)

Committee Membership:
Appointment & Appeals
Cabinet
Council
Kidderminster Educational Foundation



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COUNCILLOR: HELEN DYKE

Ward Activities this year, including outside bodies:

As usual it has been another busy year in Aggborough and Spennells, plenty going on and plenty to do.

As a panel member for the PACT Meetings (Partner and Communities Together), I have attended the meetings for this year. At these meetings residents have asked for action on an assortment of issues such as litter, dog fouling, speeding, fly tipping, anti-social behaviour and pot holes and poor road surfaces. We have a very positive and active PACT Chairman who contacts the various agencies for responses to the questions raised by residents and Councillor Peter Dyke and I in our role as District Councillors take away issues to deal with. We use our regular Newsletters to advertise the dates of meetings and to give updates and reports back on items raised.

For the past 2 years I have joined with residents to take part in Community Litter Picks around Aggborough and Spennells and I was hoping to expand this idea by re-invigorating a community group that had existed in past years. With this in mind, late in 2010 I facilitated a meeting of interested residents including representatives from the local PTA, The Friends of Cobham Woods, Community Housing, the Chairman of PACT and myself. We met one evening to see if there was a way forward and the initial get together was a great success and future meetings and venues were planned straight away. Since that initial meeting things have moved on in a very positive way, the group has renamed itself (it is now called Aggborough and Spennells Community Connect), adopted a constitution, opened a bank account and elected officers and has established a web site which is updated on a regular basis by one of the members of the group. Group members still take part in Litter Picks and the younger members recently went to County Hall to receive a Try-Angle Award for their litter busting work in the community. Many other activities have taken place such as a Community Christmas working with the PTA at Heronswood School and an Easter Extravaganza on Spennells Playing Field (thanks to WFDC Parks Department for their help with that one). Further activities are being planned at the moment. As treasurer of the group, I do play an active part but all the hard work is done by local residents who enjoy working to improve the community in which they live.

Case Work is still very important to me and I continue to deal with a wide range of ward issues throughout the year including-much needed road and pavement repairs, tree maintenance, parking issues, litter, fly posting and fly tipping, dog fouling, anti-social behaviour, housing issues and many many more.



Ward Information:

Aggborough & Spennells

Political Group:

Independent

Committee

Membership:

Community & Regeneration Scrutiny Committee (Chairman), Corporate Performance Clinic Review Panel, Corporate Resources Scrutiny Committee, Council, Ethics & Standards, Kidderminster Educational Foundation, Licensing & Environmental Committee, Local Development Framework Review Panel, Planning, Sports & Leisure Centre Review Panel, Transformation Board Treasury Management Review Panel Wyre Forest Highways Partnership Forum



Working with Councillor Peter Dyke, I continue to keep residents informed with regular editions of our Newsletter. We have tried holding surgeries but have found that residents prefer us to either visit them or communicate by telephone or increasingly, email.

Outside Bodies:

- Community Governor at Heronswood Primary School
- LEA Governor at Comberton Primary School
- Charter Trustees of Kidderminster
- Member of the Corporate Parenting Group representing Wyre Forest at County Hall, this group meets monthly
- Treasurer of Ascc (Aggborough & Spennells Community Connect)

Through my paid employment I am

- Chairman of Wyre Forest Community Safety Partnership
- Vice-Chairman of the Safer Communities Board
- Chairman of the Integrated Offender Management Strategic Board
- Chairman of the Town Centre Community Safety Group

Highlights:

I think that my proudest achievement is being in the position to be able to facilitate the initial meeting of local residents to form the new community group for Aggborough and Spennells. This group has been a fantastic success and moves on from strength to strength and is a credit to local residents and the community.

Special Knowledge:

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Attendance Percentage for 2010/11

86% (subject to the Sports & Leisure Centre Review Panel meeting to be held on 17th May 2011).



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COUNCILLOR: PETER DYKE

Ward Activities this year, including outside bodies:

In the past twelve months I have continued to work with local residents to resolve issues that affect their daily quality of life such as litter and fly tipping problems and potholes. A lot of issues raised by residents mean that I have to liaise with the County Council on a regular basis.

I continue to deliver newsletters around Aggborough and Spennells on a regular basis. This is a good way of keeping people in our ward informed and aware of what is going on in and around the ward. It also carries full contact details for both myself and Councillor Helen Dyke.

Highlights:

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Special Knowledge:

As a Community Neighbourhood Warden working for the local housing company, I attend TCC (Tenant Consultative Committees) and PACT (Partners and Communities Together) meeting and also attend the Community Action Newtown meetings.

Attendance Percentage for 2010/11

58%.



Ward Information:

Aggborough &
Spennells

Political Group:

Independent

**Committee
Membership:**

Corporate Plan
Development Review
Panel,
Council,
Ethics & Standards,
Kidderminster
Educational
Foundation,
Kidderminster
Educational
Foundation Working
Group,
No Barriers Review
Panel,
Project Board –
Stourport-on-Severn
Facilities



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COUNCILLOR: NICKY GALE

Ward Activities this year, including outside bodies:

This year I have dealt with enquires from people in my ward on the following matters :

The lack of disable access on First Buses , the removal of a dead animal form the nature reserve ,the little Red Trucks using Piggy Ally ,anti-social behaviour happening in various parts of the ward , the litter in various areas in the ward , damp issues in property , disputes between neighbours ,

Overcrowding and damage to bus shelters.

I have also attended training as part of being a board member on the Community Housing Group I have also attended meetings as a committee member .

I continue to be on the governing body at Birchen Coppice Primary and have continued to go into school regularly.

I am still PACT (Partners and Communities Together) chair and continue to bring forward issues that are arising within the community

I attend meeting with Oldington and Foley Park Local Management Board

I have attended tenants committees , I have also taken part in walkabouts within my ward, I have taken part in two tidy up days; one of which was fancy dress , I have also taken part in tree planting at Woodbury Road play area

I have taken part in a street collection for Help For Heroes

Highlights:

In my first year it has been a steep learning curve for me I have enjoyed learning all the new skills needed to help me preformed as an effective Councillor.

Seeing the new Birchen Coppice Primary School completed and seeing what a huge difference it has made to everyone who uses it and the look on the faces of the first children to enter it on that first morning as they went into their classroom for the first time

Being able to take part in the decision making processes for the District Council.

Special Knowledge:

Knowledge of the area and getting to know more people who live within the ward .

The abilities to be able to listen to their concerns , being approachable

Attendance Percentage for 2010/11

97%.



Ward Information:
Oldington and Foley
Park

Political Group:
Conservative

Committee Membership:
Budget Review Panel,
Corporate Resources
Scrutiny Committee,
Council,
Kidderminster
Educational
Foundation,
Parking Review Phase
II Review Panel,
Treasury Management
Review Panel



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COUNCILLOR: B T GLASS

Ward Activities this year, including outside bodies:

Being an active member of Partners and Communities Together (PACT) for Lickhill & Mitton, I spend quite a considerable amount of time doing activities that result from these meetings.

My shop in the High Street, Stourport acts as a surgery for people in both Lickhill and Mitton wards. I also still co-ordinate the Stourport Stop Watch in conjunction with the police to make it a safer place to live and shop.

Highlights:

This year I have mainly solved problems in my ward, i.e. roadworks, problems in Lickhill Park, drainage problems, housing problems, etc.

Special Knowledge:

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Attendance Percentage for 2010/11

55%.



Ward Information:
Lickhill

Political Group:
Independent
Community & Health
Concern

**Committee
Membership:**
Audit,
Council,
Kidderminster
Educational
Foundation,
Licensing &
Environmental.



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My name is Douglas Godwin and I have had the honour of representing Rock Ward on Wyre Forest District Council for the last three years. Over the past twelve months, I have also been an active member of the Rock Parish Council, which I have been on for the past seven years, this helps to keep me informed about local matters.

My principal employment is as a Solicitor in commercial practice but this also gives me a better understanding of the legal implications of the actions of the Council and rights that our communities enjoy. I travel around the Ward every weekend and visit numerous constituents either to deal with particular problems or just to say, "Hello I am here, can I help?" I have also attended Parish Council meetings in Bayton on matters of concern to both parishes.

Every month I write a article for the local magazine, Rock and District News, here I report on my activities during the past month and keep residents up to date with Council business in and around Wyre Forest, along with national points of interest and reports from the County Council.

I try to attend as many social events as my work will allow which including Rock Church services and village fetes, shows, pantomime, horticultural shows and art shows etc.

Luckily I have a supportive family, which means we attend such functions together and I believe this demonstrates that I genuinely am interested in the Ward and my family care about the people living there and what is happening to the community as a whole. My family and I attend the annual Remembrance service and other church services and events held at the five churches within my Ward including the St Georges Day Service for the Scouts and funeral services for residents of the Ward (work permitting). I visit those I know are in the more isolated places, or have special needs.

I have regular contact with the Scout and Guides and other groups within the community. I provide advice via telephone, e-mail and letters on matters including; planning, highways and rights of way, environmental concerns including drainage and sewer problems, farming and agricultural problems, waste disposal and fly tipping, recycling and refuse collection, health problems and access to services at District and County level, dealing with abandoned cars, police and security issues, some matters are referred to County Council, the Housing Association, NHS Trusts, or Central Government Departments or our MP.



Ward Information:
Rock

Political Group:
Conservative

Committee Membership:
Council,
Ethics & Standards,
Kidderminster
Educational
Foundation,
Local Development
Framework Review
Panel,
Planning



Highlights:

I sit on the following; Council, Ethics & Standards, Kidderminster Educational Foundation, Local Development Framework Core Strategy Review Panel, Planning. These committees take up a lot of time in the evening reading agendas. Planning sometimes involves site meeting to look at a specific problem. I have difficulty in attending these in the week, but often look at the site at the weekend, or in the evening on the way home from work.

Most committee meetings are in the evening and I attend them after work. The Planning Committee is often very time consuming but is one of the District Council's most important functions.

I have also attended meetings on the proposed Energy from Waste Plant (Incinerator) that may be built at Hartlebury. Meetings on developments in the Ward and District concerning the better use of energy and the potential for small-scale power generation. I was very pleased that we are to have the first small scale wind turbine power plant in the District and hope to see more of these in the near future.

I am very glad that the Bliss Gate Playing Field Charity project is up and running with a new management committee. A continuous battle with Severn Trent Water over a particular unpleasant sewage plant over flow in Sugars Lane Far Forest. Dealing with the removal of fly tipping and tyres that are dumped on the roadside and abandoned cars. Obtaining replacement grit bins for those damaged in the past and new bins within the Ward. I have been working with the Council's officers on several planning enforcement matters. Having road drainage repairs done and maintenance of culverts and repair to blocked roadside drains after years of asking!

Special Knowledge:

I am a property solicitor and practice in Bridgnorth and so have a wide experience in planning matters. Born in Mable and brought up in the ward, I have a vast knowledge of my area and its residents and an understanding of rural way of life particularly from a farming perspective. I come from a local farming family so residents know I know what I am talking about and can relate to their concerns both on a business and personal level. My training as a lawyer means I have an insight into the many aspects of the law, which results in me being able to advise my constituents on various problems, which may not be Council related, boundary disputes or matrimonial matters for example.

I have served on the Rock Parish Council for seven years, three as the Chairman and a School Governor for seven years for a primary school in Kidderminster. I have also been active with the Church's in Mable and Rock. (I helped have the bells of Mable church refurbished). I maintain contacts with our MP, Mark Garnier and with neighbouring MP's Harriet Badwin (West Worcestershire) and Billy Wiggins (Leominster). The residents of this Ward know I care about our Ward and its communities and that I have every intention to continue to do so.

Attendance Percentage for 2010/11

70%.



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COUNCILLOR: JENNIFER GREENER

Ward Activities this year, including outside bodies:

Governor at Bewdley Primary School. Have been involved in new anti bullying policy and other decisions. Looking at School Development Plan.

Have held surgery at Arley to try and support the rural areas of the Ward.

Sent regular newsletters informing of Council matters.

Member of Bewdley Town Council, act as a consulting body on town planning issues and local improvements

Regularly attend Bewdley Development Trust's Environment and Town Centre Group.

Board Member of Wyre Forest Community Housing, sitting on the Sheltered Housing Board and the Worcestershire Telecare Board. Have attended training sessions for board members and am on the Supporting People Working Group.

I also represent the Council on the Kidderminster and District Youth Trust.

Highlights:

The refurbishment of the Wyre Hill Play Area, talking to users and supporting the improvements along with the Town Council who pick up the maintenance costs.

Being a part of the Parking Review which agreed on equitable charging and conditions for Bewdley.

Visiting Portishead which is a regeneration scheme on a large site which was previously waste land and an old gas works. It was inspiring to see a vibrant housing and social area brought about by collaboration between partners with a joined-up approach.

Being elected a Town Councillor and knowing I can help in supporting the town I represent at District level.

Special Knowledge:

I was a Health professional for thirty eight years and have a wide knowledge of the area and its residents. As well as my professional qualifications and knowledge of disability issues I have had training in counselling skills, customer care and interviewing skills, a supervisory and management diploma, risk management and palliative care.



Ward Information:
Bewdley & Arley

Political Group:
Conservative

Committee Membership:
Bewdley Museum Management Committee, Community & Regeneration Scrutiny Committee, Corporate Performance Clinic Review Panel, Corporate Plan Development Review Panel, Corporate Resources Scrutiny Committee Council, Kidderminster Educational Foundation, Licensing & Environmental Committee, No Barriers Review Panel, Parking Review Phase II Review Panel, Sports & Leisure Centre Review Panel



I have been active in Scouting for over twenty five years and have extensive experience of working with adults and children including Safeguarding. I have completed all the rigorous training required and am a Training Advisor for adults and a member of the Appointments Advisory Committee which screens all adults wishing to work with young people and also deals with disciplinary issues.

I have lived in Bewdley since 1973 so know the town well.

Attendance Percentage for 2010/11

84% (subject to the Sports & Leisure Centre Review Panel meeting to be held on 17th May 2011).



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COUNCILLOR: IAN HARDIMAN

Ward Activities this year, including outside bodies:

I have responded to many varied concerns by residents including highway problems, boundary disputes, benefit entitlement, disability care, disabled parking permits and planning queries. I have attended the Habberley Tenants committee meetings and the Area 1 Community Housing meetings, in addition to attending the local PACT (Partners and Communities Together) meetings where I helped resolve issues raised by residents. I am a committee member of the Sports and Leisure committee which meets regularly with D.C. Leisure who manage Wyre Forest Leisure Centres and swimming pools. I have circulated regular Newsletters and provided residents with the opportunity to attend a Surgery with our MP within the ward.

I serve as a School Governor of St. John's Primary School where I am Chairman of the Premises committee.

Highlights:

I have had many highlights achieved by perseverance in helping ward residents whose kind thanks have been very rewarding and encouraging. One particular case was a situation in which a local resident was entitled to benefits which they were not receiving. Through my co-operation with other agencies, the appropriate benefits were provided.

Special Knowledge:

I believe that I engage well with residents and that they in return find me approachable. My considerable supervisory / management experience in problem solving equips me well to resolve problems efficiently. I have also taken advantage of councillor training provided by WFDC.

Attendance Percentage for 2010/11

96%.



Ward Information:
 Habberley & Blakebrook

Political Group:
 Conservative

Committee Membership:
 Audit,
 Community &
 Regeneration Scrutiny
 Committee,
 Council,
 Kidderminster
 Educational Foundation



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As a Ward councillor, my main activities have been aimed at providing a service to the residents of Greenhill Ward by keeping them informed about local issues and responding to their complaints and enquiries. Much of this work is based around the delivery of the Greenhill Matters newsletter.

Ward Councillors are invited by the Community Housing Group, the main social housing partner of the Council, to attend the meetings of the Tenant Consultative Committees (TCC) which involve their wards, and I have attended all four meetings of the Greenhill Tenant Consultative Committee (TCC), and two meetings of the Aggborough and Spennells Tenant Consultative Committee (TCC). It was not possible to attend both of the Annual Meetings of these bodies as they occurred at the same time.

West Mercia Police invite Councillors to attend PACT meetings (Partners and Communities Together) and I have attended meetings of the Greenhill Ward PACT. I have attended two of the four meetings of this body.

I am a Local Education Authority appointed member of, and have attended meetings of, the Offmore Primary School Governors and their committees.

As a Wyre Forest District Councillor representing a Kidderminster ward, I am a member of the Charter Trustees of the Town of Kidderminster. I have attended meetings of this body, including robed public meetings in support of the Town Mayor, such as:

- Mayor Making
- Mayor's Sunday
- Remembrance Sunday.

During this year I chaired the Treasury Management Review Panel. This scrutiny panel considered the investment policy of the Council in the light of the Icelandic banking crisis and served to enlighten members in this technical financial area.

I have been a member of the board of the Horsefair, Broadwaters and Greenhill Partnership since its inception in 2003. This year I have taken part in the BIG Lottery Steering Group which the HBGP have set up as the group which will aid community groups to access lottery funding which will see a million pounds channelled to the local community over the next ten years.



Ward Information:
Greenhill

Political Group:
Conservative

Committee Membership:
Corporate Resources
Scrutiny Committee,
Council,
Kidderminster
Educational
Foundation,
Licensing &
Environmental
Committee,
Planning,
Treasury Management
Review Panel.



Highlights:

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Special Knowledge:

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Attendance Percentage for 2010/11

100%.



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COUNCILLOR: MARCUS HART

Ward Activities this year, including outside bodies:

My main focus of work within the Sutton Park Ward during the last 12 months has been to continue to represent all of the Electors of Sutton Park.

I have carried out a voluminous amount of case work by email, letter, phone calls and in person on a variety of topics. I have engaged within the community by delivering regular newsletters throughout the year and by attending residents meetings.

I have engaged in a number of community activities as I am the Assistant Group Scout Leader of 15th Kidderminster Habberley Scout Group.

I sit on the Governing Body of Sutton Park Primary School and Baxter College, and also the Temporary Governing Body of the new Special School.

I also attend the Friends of Brinton Park meetings whenever I can which is a community group set up by interested residents surrounding Brinton Park and they carry out projects within Brinton Park. This is supported by Wyre Forest District Council.

I have assisted residents' groups within the Ward, namely the Hillcrest Residents' Association and given them considerable support in local issues, in particular regarding highways and planning applications.

Whenever I am able, I also attend the Wyre Forest Community Housing Tenants Consultative Committee Meetings within the Sutton Park area.

I also sit on the PACT (Partners and Communities Together) Meeting Committee as the Ward District Council representative and I attend as many meetings as I can.

I work with my two ward colleagues, Councillor John Campion and Councillor Tracey Onslow on all issues in the ward

In the last year 333 letters have been written plus internal memos and emails to and from constituents have been sent.

Highlights:

It is difficult to pick one specific highlight throughout the last year. However, one would be seeing the newly built Sutton Park Community Primary School. A valuable community asset in the heart of the ward.



Ward Information:
Sutton Park

Political Group:
Conservative
(Cabinet Member for
Housing &
Environmental Services)

**Committee
Membership:**
Appointments &
Appeals,
Cabinet,
Council,
Ethics & Standards,
Kidderminster
Educational Foundation,
Planning.



Special Knowledge:

The specialist knowledge I have is from my professional training as a solicitor. I do find this has helped me, particularly when sitting on the Planning Committee, whilst I am not by any means an expert in planning law, I did study some at university and do understand the general principles which I have found assisted me greatly in determining what is and is not a material planning consideration.

I also sit on the Ethics and Standards Committee and find that my legal background has helped me in respect of this. Again, I sit on the Appointments and Appeals Committee and my legal training has helped me tremendously to be able to play a positive role on this committee.

Also, as a solicitor who specialises in criminal law, advocacy is a big part of my job and therefore speaking at Council meetings comes a lot easier.

Attendance Percentage for 2010/11

83%.



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COUNCILLOR: PAULINE HAYWARD

Ward Activities this year, including outside bodies:

I am involved in the following:

Litter picking initiatives, Partners and Communities Together (PACT) meetings, public meetings in church over planning development, Parish Planning meetings when called, tenants meetings, regular meetings regarding Gypsy encampment at Churchill, regular attendance at 3 village churches, attending Parochial Church Council meetings, 3 different Parish Council meetings, local village fete, church fete. I am a member of Churchill Church Penne and Bennett Charity.

Highlights:

I still attend meetings regarding the Gypsy encampment when called, consulting with officers regarding the car parking problems. Consulting with Officers regarding the Millennium Green problems with dog litter.

Special Knowledge:

29 years as Councillor for Wyre Forest District Council.

Attendance Percentage for 2010/11

76%.



Ward Information:
Blakedown &
Chaddesley

Political Group:
Conservative

Committee Membership:
Corporate Resources
Scrutiny Committee,
Council,
Kidderminster
Educational
Foundation,
Licensing &
Environmental
Committee,
Parking Review Phase
II Review Panel



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COUNCILLOR: MALCOLM HAZLEWOOD

Ward Activities this year, including outside bodies:

I am involved with several activities within the community and available for counselling at any time, as such I do not tend to hold dedicated surgeries.

I have involvement with Wolverley Memorial Hall as a committee member, (currently Vice Chairman).

I also serve on the local Wolverley & Cookley PACT (Partners and Communities Together) committee.

I am a member of the Wolverley "Flood Action Group" which is a sub committee of the Wolverley & Cookley Parish Council.

Also I am a coordinator for the Kingsford leg of the "Neighbourhood watch".

With the issues surrounding the traffic problems in Wolverley village I became a member of Friends of Wolverley Group, which is a representative group from within the village of Wolverley dedicated to resolving the serious traffic congestion experienced in the village during school term time.

I am a regular attendee of the Wolverley Tenant Consultative Committees (TCC) and the "estate walkabout"

More locally I am the chairman of the "Kinverdale Residents Association" which we formed to maintain the rights of the residents of this "Mobile Home Park".

Highlights:

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Special Knowledge:

Having been a member of the District council for seven years, I have been fortunate to receive training in many aspects required to participate in local government building up knowledge of Planning legislation, economics in respect to setting budgets and also forward planning for the economic well being of the area.

Attendance Percentage for 2010/11

88%.



Ward Information:
Wolverley

Political Group:
Conservative

Committee Membership:
Community & Regeneration Scrutiny Committee, Council, Kidderminster Educational Foundation, Local Development Framework Review Panel.



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COUNCILLOR: ANNE HINGLEY

Ward Activities this year, including outside bodies:

In my six years as a Franche ward Councillor, I have continued to keep in contact with residents through our regular Franche Matters newsletter, personal contact through home visits, phone calls and emails.

Through the newsletter I have started a campaign for the resurfacing of Mill Street, Kidderminster asking for the support of the Community.

I have established a working partnership with police officers through the Partners and Communities Together (PACT) meetings

I joined the first litter pick with the newly formed Franche Community Team based at the Franche Evangelical Church in Chestnut Grove, Kidderminster.

I am a Governor at Franche Community School.

I am a Governor at St Catherine's Church of England School, Marlpool Lane, Franche.

I am a Trustee of Claire Witnell and Blount Almshouses, Wilton Ave, Franche.

I attend Community Housing Tenants meetings and walkabouts.

I am a Charter Trustee of Kidderminster.

Highlights:

A Lengthsman scheme set up to keep the verges and footways in Franche tidy.

Majority of roads now resurfaced with the added safety of new street lighting on the main roads through Franche.

Youth facilities completed on the open community space at White Wickets, Kidderminster.

Improvement in waste collections with use of ONE bin for all recycled items.

Special Knowledge:

- *Leadership and business skills in the private, public and voluntary sector.*
- *University of Life experience.*
- *Committed community involvement from childhood to present time*
- *Particular interest in health and social issues.*

Attendance Percentage for 2010/11

100%.



Ward Information:
Franche

Political Group:
Conservative
(Cabinet Member for
Legal & Corporate
Services)

**Committee
Membership:**
Appointments &
Appeals,
Cabinet,
Council,
Kidderminster
Educational
Foundation



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COUNCILLOR: JOHN HOLDEN

Ward Activities this year, including outside bodies:

I am a governor of St Wulstan's RC Primary School and also Hartlebury CofE Primary School representing them on their internal finance committee.

I have worked closely with Tesco in securing the flood plain from vehicle access.

I have organised a consultation evening with Taylor Wimpey with regard to future planning applications to build houses.

I have responded to letters and emails along with phone calls.

I am constantly representing the people of Stourport on scrutiny committees and the Project Board - Stourport-on-Severn Facilities.

Highlights:

The opportunity to chair a Steering group (which is non political), looking at suitable venues for the towns Civic amenities. This hopefully, will give the chance of Asset Transfer to the community. Focus Groups have been set up to encourage volunteer groups with a view to taking ownership and map the future for the people of Stourport. Two Focus Groups have been formed covering the Arts and Theatre among with leisure facilities.

Special Knowledge:

Having had external training in Chairmainships and I now chair the Audit Committee, and the Stourport Facilities Board.

I am also the editor and writer of the Conservative Newsletters for Stourport-on-Severn.

Attendance Percentage for 2010/11

94% (subject to the Sports & Leisure Centre Review Panel meeting to be held on 17th May 2011).



Ward Information:
Mitton

Political Group:
Conservative

Committee Membership:
Audit,
Community & Regeneration Scrutiny Committee, Council, Kidderminster Educational Foundation, Parking Review Phase II Review Panel, Project Board – Stourport-on-Severn Facilities, Sports & Leisure Centre Review Panel, Sub Committee Project Board SOS Facilities



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COUNCILLOR: TIM INGHAM

Ward Activities this year, including outside bodies:

Through regular monthly newsletters (Focus) circulated all across Greenhill Ward, I keep in touch with the electorate as part of a Liberal Team of two District Members and a County Member. Issues which continue to affect the public in the past year are street cleanliness, anti-social behaviour.

As a Governor at Offmore Primary School, I remain interested in the consequences of the new build programme. The school is presently using temporary accommodation until the new school is built.

The proposed resiting of the St Georges School entrance on the Birmingham Road has also raised some local objections, due to the rebuilding of the school.

I continue to make every effort to be responsive and helpful at all times to the public to whom at the end of day I am accountable as their elected member. My home telephone number and address are readily available and are regularly used by the public with increasing contact through my email address.

Working alongside Councillor Ballinger and the knowledge gained from my mother who was a previous Greenhill Councillor, has enabled our team to have yet another very successful year.

Excellent attendance from the public at the PACT (Partners and Communities Together) meetings both at St. Ambrose and Hoo Road Scout Hut have resulted in positive outcomes to peoples concerns.

Feedback from local residents through our regular newsletter continues to form our direction.

I visit people in their homes and community groups at their request and spend a lot of time talking to residents during the regular distribution of our newsletters.

Ward councillors are invited by the Community Housing Group, the main social housing partner of the Council, to attend the meetings of the Tenant Consultative Committees (TCC) which involve their wards, and I have attended meetings of the Greenhill Tenant Consultative Committee (TCC).

As a Wyre Forest District Councillor representing a Kidderminster ward, I am a member of the Charter Trustees of the Town of Kidderminster. I have attended meetings of this body, including robed public meetings in support of the Town Mayor, such as:

- Mayor Making
- Mayor's Sunday
- Remembrance Sunday



Ward Information:
Greenhill

Political Group:
Liberal

Committee Membership:
Corporate Resources
Scrutiny Committee,
Council,
Ethics & Standards,
Kidderminster
Educational
Foundation,
Treasury Management
Review Panel



Highlights:

In my first year as a Councillor, I have enjoyed learning all the new skills needed to help me be as effective as possible. It has been a steep learning curve, but thoroughly enjoyable.

Special Knowledge:

My business/financial background has been a big help to me in carrying out my councillor duties.

Attendance Percentage for 2010/11

75%.



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COUNCILLOR: MIKE KELLY

Ward Activities this year, including outside bodies:

Over the last 12 months I have dealt with many enquiries and complaints, most of them from my ward of Habberley and Blakebrook. The main thrust of the complaints are housing based and I have a very good working relationship with Wyre Forest Community Housing.

I also receive many complaints about Highways and Education matters. Unfortunately, the working relationship with the County Council is not so good. I find the County Council a very challenging organisation to work with.

As the only Councillor from the Labour Party in the Habberley & Blakebrook Ward, I have to work on my own. I put out five newsletters a year. This is intended to keep the residents within my ward informed on Council issues and decisions. There is always a return slip on the newsletter with my address and phone number, so that the residents can contact me to request a visit or make any point they wish to make.

I have always done and continue to do walkabouts in different parts of my ward. Meeting people in the street or in their gardens and engaging them in conversation on council issues, this is both popular and effective. I find that people are genuinely interested and want to talk as long as it is not during an election period. I have tried surgeries. They do not work, hardly anyone turns up. I find that newsletters and weekly walkabouts more effective.

I am Group Leader of the Labour party and I regularly attend committees that I am not an official member of.

I am the Council Representative on Kidderminster and District Youth Trust and I am a board member of Wyre Forest Community Housing.

Highlights:

Not for me to say. See electorate of Habberley and Blakebrook.

Special Knowledge:

I have received regular training particularly on Licensing matters. I also receive intensive training from the Community Housing Group.

Attendance Percentage for 2010/11

91% (subject to the Sports & Leisure Centre Review Panel meeting to be held on 17th May 2011).



Ward Information:

Habberley & Blakebrook

Political Group:

Labour

Committee Membership:

Corporate Performance Clinic Review Panel, Council, Group Leaders' Meeting, Kidderminster Educational Foundation, Kidderminster Educational Foundation Working Group, Licensing & Environmental Committee, No Barriers Review Panel, Sports & Leisure Centre Review Panel, Transformation Board



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COUNCILLOR: HOWARD MARTIN

Ward Activities this year, including outside bodies:

Board Member of Horsefair, Broadwaters, Greenhill Partnership.

Member of Cleaner, Greener, Safer Group. (Sion Hill).

Attendee at Broadwaters Residents Action Group (BRAG).

Member of "Friends of St Georges Park" and "Friends of Broadwaters."

Attendee at Friends of Baxter Gardens and Springfield Park meetings.

Regular attendee and panel member – Broadwaters PACT (Partners and Communities Together).

Member of HBGP working party on local social and emotional need. Co-ordinator of public meeting on local car park consultation. Representing residents of Waterside Grange on road adoption. Chair of School Governors. Addressing local issues brought to me by residents – including housing issues, local anti-social behaviour matters, neighbourhood disputes, refuse and street scene issues, parks maintenance (working with parks officers on improvement planning), highway issues and other ad hoc matters which may be raised on issues not always directly related to Council.

Currently acting working in support of the Council Masterplan for the Churchfields area and representing local resident and traders interests in opposition to a number of planning applications incompatible with the Masterplan. Regular liaison with local police and community wardens on local issues throughout the ward. Regular liaison with church leaders and local schools in the community. Regular liaison on local matters with officers of Vestia.

Highlights:

The success of Friends of St. Georges Park receiving an award for "bottom up" community involvement in regenerating the park and the subsequent visit of HRH The Duke of Kent in March.

The national award made to the Cleaner, Greener, Safer Group on behalf of the Sion Hill area under the national standard for local cleanliness.

The potential re-provision of community centre facilities at Upton Road in conjunction with YMCA. The decision to retain Broadwaters Drive car park as a free facility for local residents after a full period of consultation between Council and the Community.

The award of "Big Local" lottery funding to the area which will impact positively in an area of high need.

There is increasing evidence that the community is becoming increasingly involved in local groups and consequently this is having a positive affect in helping to improve the quality of life in parts of the are



Ward Information:
Broadwaters

Political Group:
Labour

Committee Membership:
Audit,
Corporate Plan
Development Review
Panel,
Corporate Resources
Scrutiny Committee,
Council,
Kidderminster
Educational
Foundation,
No Barriers Review
Panel,
Parking Review Phase
II Review Panel



Special Knowledge:

A business background in central government over many years in economic development and regeneration throughout the West Midlands. Expertise in Employment Law and Equal Opportunities Legislation. A post graduate diploma (DipCounc) in Counselling & Psychotherapy – increasingly useful as a Ward Councillor. Plus the knowledge and expertise built up on a host of matters over nearly 30 years as a trade union representative and the last 10 years as a local councillor.

Attendance Percentage for 2010/11

85%.



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COUNCILLOR: DANIEL MCCANN

Ward Activities this year, including outside bodies:

During my first year as Councillor for Franche I have found it to be extremely diverse with varying issues like parking, speeding, anti social behaviour, litter and potholes to name a few.

I have worked closely on common issues in with my colleagues Councillor Anne Hingley and Councillor Jeff Baker.

I have attended Partners and Communities Together (PACT) meetings to hear concerns and keep local resident informed of what is going on.

I have attended the Franche Tenant Association to any listen to any concerns and updated local residents.

As Vice Chair of Governors at Franche Community Primary School I am taking a real interest in the future development of the school by attending governors meeting and being part of the Access and Inclusions Committee for the school.

Highlights:

During the year personally all of the activities have been a highlight. But if I were to pick a few, the first would be the work that been done as part of the Scrutiny Committee. Throughout the year the Corporate Resources Scrutiny Committee have reviewed and discussed on a variety of topics and I feel we have played an important part of the Council process.

The second would be the work we continue to do as a governor at Franche Community Primary School.

Special Knowledge:

I have a degree in Business Management, which supports my understanding of the issues faced of a council delivering quality and efficient front line services. This helps me especially on the Audit and Corporate Resources Scrutiny Committees.

I have also attended:

- Audit Training
- Planning Training
- Scrutiny Training
- Housing Training
- Chairmanship Training

Attendance Percentage for 2010/11

81%.



Ward Information:
Franche

Political Group:
Conservative

Committee Membership:
Audit,
Corporate Resources
Scrutiny Committee,
Council,
Kidderminster
Educational
Foundation



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COUNCILLOR: CHRIS NICHOLLS

Ward Activities this year, including outside bodies:

I hold regular surgeries at Cookley Sports and Social Club, now the new Village Hall and Sports Club. Surgeries are held on the first Saturday of each month.

I have monthly consultations with residents regarding planning applications in conjunction with other parish councillors.

- *Chairman of Wolverley and Cookley Partners & Communities Together (PACT).*
- *Member of Wolverley and Cookley Parish Council.*
- *Governor at Cookley Primary School.*
- *Member of Cookley Surgery's Patient Participation Group.*
- *Trustee of the Sebright Educational Foundation.*
- *A trustee of Wolverley Charities.*
- *Regular attendance at Cookley Tenants Consultative Committee.*
- *Communication with the community via a newsletter.*

I continue to promote the interests of our village community e.g. maintaining the Green Belt and representing residents' views at relevant Council and committee meetings.

I liaise with the police and other outside bodies via PACT meetings to resolve issues for the benefit of our community.

I continue to monitor the Parish Plan.

As a Governor for Cookley Primary School, I continue to assist in its development.

I continue to play an active role in the life of our village.

Highlights:

The major event in Cookley's year was the opening of the new Village Hall and Sports Club.

The Senior Citizens Christmas Party which was held in March was a resounding success so much so that we will hold it in March every year!

Special Knowledge:

Using the wealth of experience I gained as your District Councillor for the last 20 years, to continue to promote your views and interests.

Cookley is a great place to live with a true community spirit.

Attendance Percentage for 2010/11

88%.



Ward Information:
Cookley

Political Group:
Labour

Committee Membership:
Appointments & Appeals, Council, Ethics & Standards, Kidderminster Educational Foundation, Planning



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COUNCILLOR: FRAN OBROSKI

Ward Activities this year, including outside bodies:

Along with my Ward Colleagues, I produce and deliver our FOCUS Newsletter to every house throughout the year on a regular, at least monthly, basis.

I hold an Advice Centre at Brookside Children's Centre on the first Tuesday in the month from 10-12.

I serve on the local Partners and Communities Together (PACT) Panel and attend all PACT meetings.

I attend meetings of the Offmore and Comberton Tenants Consultative Committee.

I am Treasurer of Friends of St. Georges Park.

As a Member of the Management Committee of the Offmore Comberton Action Group (OCAg), I am involved in organising our local Community Carnival, the Borrington Bash.

I serve as a Governor on Stourminster Special School (Chair), Offmore and Comberton Primary Schools, King Charles 1 High School and the new Wyre Forest Special School (Joint Chair).

I serve as a Councillor Representative on the Management Committee of the Kidderminster / Husum Twinning Committee.

I am Chairman of Wyre Forest Matters Children and Young People's Theme Group which is becoming a local Children's Trust.

Highlights:

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Special Knowledge:

Over 30 years experience on Planning Committees.

Attendance Percentage for 2010/11

96% (subject to the Sports & Leisure Centre Review Panel meeting to be held on 17th May 2011).



Ward Information:
Offmore & Comberton

Political Group:
Liberal

Committee Membership:
Appointments & Appeals, Corporate Performance Clinic Review Panel, Corporate Plan Development Review Panel, Council, Group Leaders' Meeting, Kidderminster Educational Foundation, Kidderminster Educational Foundation Working Group, Local Development Framework Review Panel, No Barriers Review Panel, Planning, Project Board – Sports & Leisure Centre Review Panel, Stourport-on-Severn Facilities, Transformation Board



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COUNCILLOR: TRACEY ONSLOW

Ward Activities this year, including outside bodies:

- Resident-Led Casework
- Delivery of 18,000 leaflets to keep residents informed
- Canvassing residents to talk personally about issues
- Attendance at Friends of Brinton Park Meetings including :
- Waitressing in Brinton Park
- Helping with Easter Trail With Local Schools
- Elected as Chair of Governors of Sutton Park School
- Attending Wyre Forest Community Safety Partnership
- Attending Kidderminster & District Youth Trust
- Attending Wyre Forest Children and Young Persons Local Strategic Partnership

Highlights (Just some of them.):

- Handing out Sports Awards
- Attending the Dance Festival
- Helping local children's sports club to get £10k in funding
- Promoting Big Society projects
- Attending the Country & Western Festival
- Seeing the Friends of Brinton Park Lottery Bid evolve
- Helping at the Subway Deluxe Project
- Helping with the Canalside Clear Up Project
- Opening the Orchard & Play Area at QEII Gardens

Special Knowledge:

- Working for local MP gives me an understanding of Government Depts
- As Managing Director of a property company, I understand about efficient working practices and getting value for money
- As a Cabinet Member, I hear about all areas of WFDC
- Being born and bred in Wyre Forest means I have good local knowledge
- As a working mother, I understand the issues faced by families
- Most importantly, being organised and answering all calls, emails and Letters, every time

Attendance Percentage for 2010/11

89%.



Ward Information:
Sutton Park

Political Group:
Conservative
(Cabinet Member for
Community &
Partnership Services)

**Committee
Membership:**
Bewdley Museum
Management
Committee,
Cabinet,
Council,
Kidderminster
Educational
Foundational,
Project Board –
Stourport-on-Severn
Facilities



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COUNCILLOR: JIM PARISH

Ward Activities this year, including outside bodies:

Ward work helping constituents with problems relating to education, transport, housing, parking and other confidential matters.

Assisting with the development of play areas. Attending PACT (Partners and Communities Together) meetings and dealing with local issues arising from these meetings. Attending meetings with the youth and sporting organisations including Community Action Newtown. Being involved with WFDC committees and work arising from these.

Highlights:

Working on the steering committee to redevelop the Stourport Civic Centre.

Helping to get funds for playground development.

Special Knowledge:

Experience of being a County Councillor.

As a retired businessman with 50 years of experience of management, I can bring the principles of the commercial world to a public body. Being a people person I can communicate and help resolve problems.

Attendance Percentage for 2010/11

92%.



Ward Information:

Lickhill

Political Group:

Independent
Community & Health
Concern

**Committee
Membership:**

Corporate Plan
Development Review
Panel,
Corporate Resources
Scrutiny Committee,
Council,
Kidderminster
Educational
Foundation,
Sub Committee Project
Board SOS Facilities



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COUNCILLOR: JULIAN PHILLIPS

Ward Activities this year, including outside bodies:

During my first three years on the Council I have taken any opportunity I can to learn about local government and how to be effective for the people of Bewdley & Arley.

Between the hours of home working, attending all of the various committees, review panels, public meetings, briefings and other events, I spend an average of at least 12 hours per week on council business. All told this equates to one and a half days of work on top of my full time job and other voluntary non-council related roles.

I sit on the Bewdley Partners and Community Together (PACT) panel and Bewdley Youth PACT panels. I am also a governor at the Bewdley School & Sixth Form. During the town's carnival I have manned the PACT stall along with police officers and Wyre Forest Community Housing wardens.

I have volunteered to various scrutiny panels. Although I was not a member of the panel, I attended every meeting of the Car Parking Phase II review panel as the outcomes of it were going to effect the parking situation in Bewdley.

I also sit on the Bewdley Christmas Festival committee which organises the annual event and I spend the entire day of the event(s) on duty assembling street stalls, marshalling crowds and clearing away the stalls afterwards. Planning is already underway for the 2011 event. Hundreds of voluntary hours are put in to this festival every year. I also represent the Town Council on the committee of Bewdley Twinning Association. I have also assisted fellow Town Council members with organising a "party in the park" to celebrate the wedding of Prince William and Kate Middleton. I am also leading the organisation of the region's very first rabbit show that will be held at Kidderminster Town Hall.

As well as on-going projects I address around 50 individual items of casework each year ranging from highway issues to street scene and antisocial behaviour. I have been involved with Community Action projects such as litter picks and 'tidy days'.

Whilst we no longer hold regular surgeries, my ward colleague and I distribute a newsletter to every household every two months with our contact details. We advertised surgeries in them but the turnout is very small. I regularly patronise the businesses in my ward and attend as many of the public events that I am able to (such as Discover Bewdley, the Carnival, Christmas Festival, October Festival, any special public forums etc.) where residents are welcome to talk to me informally. I feel I am very accessible to my residents. I am also a member of Bewdley Round Table which also supports the above events and is perhaps most notable for the "Santa" collections prior to Christmas.



Ward Information:
Bewdley & Arley

Political Group:
Conservative

Committee Membership:
Community & Regeneration Scrutiny Committee, Council, Kidderminster Educational Foundation

As well as being a member of Bewdley Town Council, I attend between four and six Upper Arley Parish Council meetings each year. Between us, my fellow ward councillors and I are present at all of their meetings unless they clash with District Council commitments.

I have represented WFDC at meetings of the Local Government Association's Rural Commission which meets bi-annually at a location to suit its members. This past year the meetings have been held in London and Chester. I would like to add that I have not claimed for travel and parking expenses for these journeys.

Highlights:

As Vice Chairman of the District Council's Community & Regeneration Scrutiny Panel I feel that the Chairman, Cllr Mrs Dyke, and I did a good job of contributing to the Council's public relations and accountability when hosting public forums regarding important issues such as flooding and social housing policy. The work of panels such as the Parking Review Phase II and Leisure and Sports Review panels are crucial to influencing the day to day running of the council's front line services.

I feel the Youth PACT which is held at Bewdley Secondary school & Sixth Form is now very well established. It meets once every school term and consists of a meeting between myself, the police and the local WFCH warden and two representatives from each year group at the school. The pupils raise very sensible issues that often fall under the 'radar' of the traditional PACT meetings that are only attended by adults. I have made an effort to raise the profile of both PACT and Youth PACT through my news letters and promoting it at public events such as the carnival and Christmas Festival.

In a motion to full council in May 2009, Cllr Campion and I secured a grant to upgrade the facilities of Wyre Hill play area, the regular maintenance of which is currently funded by Bewdley Town Council from their annual parish aid grant from WFDC. I am very grateful to the council's Leisure officers for their determination in successfully securing external funding to add to the grant provided by WFDC. The play area was finally refurbished in March 2011 with brand new equipment replacing the dated swings and is now busier than ever before! This is the council project I am most proud to have been a part of.

Special Knowledge:

Being 26, my experience may not be as vast as that of some of my fellow councillors. I studied Sociology at University of Central England and have worked 9 years in retail and leisure thus I have a good understanding of customer service and public expectations.



I currently work full time for the local Member of Parliament which involves liaising with a plethora of agencies including the Housing Groups, the Police, NHS, armed forces, Child Support Agency, Jobcentre Plus, the County Council and many more. It would be impossible to be an expert in all of these fields but a brief understanding is certainly useful and is occasionally useful in my elected role and vice versa.

Attendance Percentage for 2010/11

90%.



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COUNCILLOR: MIKE PRICE

Ward Activities this year, including outside bodies:

Regular Focus leaflets and individual casework.

I serve as Vice Chairman of Governors of St George's CE Primary School and as a Governor of Comberton Primary School.

I have attended Offmore and Comberton Action Group (OCAg) and served as Vice-Chair, where I also serve on a sub group planning a fourth community event to take place in July 2011 on Borrington Park. I have attended Partners and Communities Together (PACT) meetings for Offmore and Comberton and also Tenant Consultative Committee (TCC) meetings.

I attend a monthly advice centre meeting at The Children's Centre in Borrington Road, Kidderminster.

Highlights:

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Attendance Percentage for 2010/11

97%.



Ward Information:
Offmore & Comberton

Political Group:
Liberal

Committee Membership:
Community & Regeneration Scrutiny Committee, Council, Kidderminster Educational Foundation, Licensing & Environmental Committee.



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COUNCILLOR: KEN PROSSER

Ward Activities this year, including outside bodies:

Most of the Ward activity, in common with many other Councillors, I suspect, has related to the potholed state of the roads. I have however dealt with many other issues raised by residents. Included in outside activities formed part of the Committee to scrutinise new car parking arrangements and recently appointed to represent WFDC on the Wyre Forest GP Commissioning Consortia Advisory Group.

Highlights:

Ensuring that screening trees planted on Habberley Play Area were evergreen rather than deciduous as had been proposed by Community Housing thus ensuring screening all the year round. Hopefully getting some commitment, with the support of Councillor Hart, to at long last get Selba Drive resurfaced. This was ignored when the remainder of the adjacent Habberley Estate was resurfaced some 18 months ago.

Attendance Percentage for 2010/11

91%.



Ward Information:

Habberley &
Blakebrook

Political Group:

Conservative

**Committee
Membership:**

Audit,
Community &
Regeneration Scrutiny
Committee,
Council,
Kidderminster
Educational
Foundation,
Parking Review Phase
II Review Panel



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I have advised residents on various queries. I have also been involved in Stourport Forward, Elizabeth Mills Community Centre, Age Concern, Stourport Town Council, Wilden Village Hall and Stourport Carnival Committee.

Highlights:

All the following are in the Mitton Ward – Tesco, Arab Investments, Vale Road Car Park, Parsons Chain Development, Civic Centre, Churchill Development, road and sewerage maintenance, Hartlebury common, gypsy and traveller sites in Sandy Lane and the concern between business people in the area. Millfield Estate roads still not made up. Constant calls from residents regarding damage to cars, etc. Traffic in the town – no help from county. Taylor Wimpey new build power station.

Special Knowledge:

I know my town well and obviously the residents contact me direct to explain what is taking place and the Council's aims. I am a good salesman and use those skills to help the residents in my ward to overcome difficulties.

Attendance Percentage for 2010/11

98%.



Ward Information:
Mitton

Political Group:
Conservative
(Vice Chairman of the Council)

Committee Membership:
Audit,
Budget Review Panel,
Corporate Resources
Scrutiny Committee,
Council,
Kidderminster
Educational
Foundation,
Parking Review Phase
II Review Panel,
Planning



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COUNCILLOR: JAMES SHAW

Ward Activities this year, including outside bodies:

Most Councillors, myself included, are elected under a political banner and part of our role is overtly political. One particular issue during the course of the past municipal year, the construction of new council offices, highlights this point. One of the definitions of "politics" which I quote most often is "the authoritative allocation of resources". What better description could there be for the long debates and eventual decision on this issue in the period from November 2010 to February 2011, committing such a large capital sum to one project? I use this example not to re-open the debate, but to account for much of the time devoted to my council work during these months. To build a case built on strong evidence that had a Planning as well as a budgetary focus was time consuming, involving research and numerous Labour Group meetings in addition to those of the council. And, although I led on the Planning aspect, the time I spent on the issue was considerably less than fellow Labour councillors!

"Politics" is also about the making of policy. The Scrutiny process adopted by Wyre Forest District Council allows all Councillors to make a contribution, albeit sometimes only modest, particularly when there are a number of Councils and/or a range of other agencies involved. Nevertheless, through my membership of the main Community and Regeneration Scrutiny committee in 2010-11, I was part of the decision-making process on many subjects, for example, numerous reports on Housing and Environmental Sustainability. The time need to assimilate facts before the meetings of this committee was considerable. At one recent meeting, there was an appendix of 280 pages to read for one agenda item and one of 80 pages for another.

Arguably, the best opportunities for a Councillor to create policies are through membership of working parties. In 2010-11, I served on several, namely those concerned with the Local Development Framework, the Corporate Plan, Stourport Facilities and the Sports and Leisure Centres review. All but the Corporate Plan work continues into 2011-12.

Of course, the role of a Councillor must include involvement in the local community. For a full thirty years, the Labour Party has kept the residents of Areley Kings informed of local issues through its four issues per year of the "Rose" newsletter, of which I am editor. I do not hold surgeries, but my contact details feature in every Rose. I believe this to be an effective means of communication, because I always have a caseload of local issues brought to my attention by residents phoning, emailing, or stopping me in the street; (my photograph is featured in the Rose!).



Ward Information:
Areley Kings

Political Group:
Labour

Committee Membership:
Community & Regeneration Scrutiny Committee,
Corporate Plan Development Review Panel,
Council,
Kidderminster Educational Foundation,
Local Development Framework Review Panel,
Project Board – Stourport-on-Severn Facilities,
Sports & Leisure Centre Review Panel,
Sub Committee Project Board SOS Facilities.



Problems addressed during 2010-11 included housing accommodation, environmental and anti social behaviour matters.

Within Areley Kings ward, I have continued to be a member of the PACT (Partners and Communities Together) committee and usually have undertaken to deal with one of the three priorities identified at a particular meeting. I served on the Walshes Community Partnership board and on the governing body of St Bartholomew's Primary School, where I chaired its Achievement and Standards committee. I attended Walshes Tenants Committee meetings and continued as a trustee of Areley Kings Village Hall. I look forward to continuing in these community roles in 2011-12.

Attendance Percentage for 2010/11

96% (subject to the Sports & Leisure Centre Review Panel meeting to be held on 17th May 2011).



WYRE FOREST DISTRICT COUNCIL**ANNUAL REPORT OF ACTIVITIES 2010/11****COUNCILLOR: DIXON SHEPPARD****Ward Activities this year, including outside bodies:**

I have continued to be an active panel member of the Lickhill and Mitton PACT (Partners and Communities Together) as well as the two PACT meetings at Stourport High School. I have also continued to serve on the Committee of Campaign Action Newtown (CAN) as well as helping at their "Party in the Park" in September. A lot of time has been spent sorting out the problems at the Elizabeth Mills Centre (formerly Stourport Social Day Centre) following the resignation of the Chairman and other Committee members. I am the Wyre Forest District Council's representative on the Trustee Committee and have also been the President in my capacity as Mayor of Stourport. I have had difficult public meetings to Chair but I am now pleased to report that a new very active Chairman, Karen Butler has been appointed together with some new Trustees, who are determined that the Centre should succeed whilst maintaining most of the current activities, also introducing new ones. The finances need to be kept under close scrutiny, however a recent "bag pack" at the Co-op in Stourport raised nearly £1,500 and there will be a further similar amount to follow from my Mayoral Charity Fund.

Highlights:

The main highlight was the honour of being elected Mayor of Stourport, along with my wife Janice, the Mayoress, we have attended some 140 functions and meetings in Stourport, Kidderminster, Bewdley and Worcestershire. At the dinner in late September to celebrate the Carnival of our twin town Villeneuve-le-Roi, just outside Paris, I managed to deliver a short speech in French.

The second highlight was being re-elected as a District Councillor for Lickhill in May 2010.

Special Knowledge:

My insurance/financial services background continues to be useful on occasions. Whilst never having had any formal training, I do appear to have a knack of bringing "warring parties together" particularly at the Elizabeth Mills Centre.

Attendance Percentage for 2010/11

83% (subject to the Sports & Leisure Centre Review Panel meeting to be held on 17th May 2011). My attendance at Wyre Forest District Council meetings has been affected by my Mayoral duties.



Ward Information:
Lickhill

Political Group:
Independent
Community & Health
Concern

Committee Membership:
Community &
Regeneration Scrutiny
Committee,
Council,
Kidderminster
Educational
Foundation,
Licensing &
Environmental
Committee,
Sports & Leisure
Centre Review Panel.



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COUNCILLOR: KEN STOKES

Ward Activities this year, including outside bodies:

I am constantly working on issues on behalf of my constituents. These include housing matters, rent problems, maintenance issues, parking issues, business issues, street cleaning, benefit matters, advice on Council Tax, road and footpath problems, personal problems of residents and neighbourhood disputes.

I regularly attend PACT (Partners and Communities Together) meetings, Friends of Broadwaters meetings, Friends of Springfield Park, Cleaner Greener Safety Meetings, Tenant Consultative Committee (TCC) Meetings, Kidderminster War Memorial Trust meetings, Board of St. Oswalds C of E Primary School and Kidderminster Youth Trust meetings.

Highlights:

The progress of Friends of Broadwaters and Springfield. The two new panels being added to the War Memorial with 74 additional names. A model of the proposed Policeman in the Pulpit completed.

Special Knowledge:

40 years as a qualified engineer, employed in the following capacity: Project Engineer, Design Engineer, Product Designer, Sales Engineer and Sales Manager.

20 years as a Chairman and Governor of a school.

15 years as a Councillor.

5 years as Chairman of a staff union.

Attendance Percentage for 2010/11

73%.



Ward Information:
Broadwaters

Political Group:
Independent
Community & Health
Concern

Committee Membership:
Corporate
Performance Clinic
Review Panel,
Council,
Ethics & Standards,
Kidderminster
Educational
Foundation,
Kidderminster
Education
Foundational Working
Group,
Planning



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COUNCILLOR: JOHN THOMAS

Ward Activities this year, including outside bodies:

My main activities during the year have focused around constituents queries trying to help and advise where possible. I have visited numerous constituents to see their problems first hand and with the help of Officers tried to rectify these problems.

I have regularly attended the Areley Kings Partners and Communities Together (PACT) meetings and worked through problems which have arisen at these meetings with other members. I have attended local Tenants Consultative Committee (TCC) meetings and consulted with tenants and officers of Wyre Forest Community Housing.

In addition I am a member of the Walshes Partnership and the Cleaner Safer Greener group for the area.

Highlights:

Working with others to improve the ward and help as many constituents as possible.

Special Knowledge:

I have attended several briefing and seminars during the year which has enriched my knowledge for working as a Councillor and serving my constituents.

Attendance Percentage for 2010/11

89%.



Ward Information:
Areley Kings

Political Group:
Independent
Community & Health
Concern

Committee Membership:
Corporate Resources
Scrutiny Committee,
Council,
Ethics & Standards,
Kidderminster
Educational
Foundation,
Parking Review Phase
II Review Panel,
Treasury Management
Review Panel



WYRE FOREST DISTRICT COUNCIL**ANNUAL REPORT OF ACTIVITIES 2010/11****COUNCILLOR: NIGEL THOMAS****Ward Activities this year, including outside bodies:**

Within the last 12 months, I have attended to numerous problems within the Areley Kings area and attended most PACT (Partners and Communities Together) meetings and Tenants Consultative Committee (TCC) Meetings. I work with the police, Community Housing Officers and school staff to make our area a better place to live.

Some of the main problems I have encountered have to remain confidential but complaints about illegal fly tipping continue to grow and I do feel it will get more prolific unless new efforts are made to control it.

With the help of my County Council colleagues, we have continued our efforts to control speeding on the Dunley Road and Areley Common, with a limited amount of success.

Highlights:

My main highlight of the year was the closing of the Larford Concrete Works (near the Environment Agency) to the illegal dumping of thousands of scrap tyres. Thus removing the possibility of people on the Walshes Estate having to leave their home if the tyres had been set on fire, and also the risk of pollution into the River Severn.

My other highlight was being made Leader of our Independent Community & Health Concern party.

Special Knowledge:

My skills and experience are of running private companies with other partners and directors and also as an engineer. I have experienced three heart attacks, one cardiac arrest and a triple by pass, so I know and feel for people with health problems and how important our health is to us.

Attendance Percentage for 2010/11

97% (subject to the Sports & Leisure Centre Review Panel meeting to be held on 17th May 2011).



Ward Information:
Areley Kings

Political Group:
Independent
Community & Health
Concern

Committee Membership:
Appointments & Appeals,
Corporate Performance Clinic,
Council, Group Leaders Meeting,
Kidderminster Educational Foundation,
Parking Review Phase II Review Panel,
Sports & Leisure Centre Review Panel,
Treasury Management Review Panel



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COUNCILLOR: STEPHEN WILLIAMS

Ward Activities this year, including outside bodies:

I have concentrated this year on planning issues having been Chairman of the Planning Committee for 6 out of the last 7 municipal years and during the year I have been a member of the Local Development Framework Review Panel attending all their meetings and site visits.

During the year I have helped the Margaret Delabere Almshouse Trust with forward planning and other matters.

I have attended all meetings of Chaddesley Corbett Parish Council and many of the meetings of Churchill and Blakedown, Stone, Rushock and Broome Parish Councils.

I have worked closely with my colleagues Councillor Pauline Hayward (Wyre Forest District Council) and Councillor Stephen Clee (Worcestershire County Council) to help electors from Blakedown and Chaddesley Ward and others with many and varied problems.

I have attended and contributed to all Group meetings helping to formulate policy.

I am a neighbourhood watch co-ordinator and am up-to-date with all local concerns and make myself available to all people through personal contact or telephone as my number is readily available through local parish magazines.

Attendance Percentage for 2010/11

100%..



Ward Information:

Blakedown &
Chaddesley

Political Group:

Conservative

Committee Membership:

Community &
Regeneration Scrutiny
Committee,
Council,
Kidderminster
Educational
Foundation,
Local Development
Framework Review
Panel,
Planning



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COUNCILLOR: GORDON YARRANTON

Ward Activities this year, including outside bodies:

I have used my locally determined funding from Worcestershire County Council and gave £4,500 to Youth Café Bewdley. I have also raised £2,700 to put purpose built vegetable planters into all the primary schools in my ward. I have spent a long time negotiating with the County Council and the residents of Severn Bank Park (private road) for 2 grit bins to be installed and agreed with the quarry to fill them with grit at the cost of £150 each time which they are doing free of charge. I have also negotiated with the County Council, after extensive culvert works in Wribbenhall, to rebuild the sand stone wall at their expense. After long and drawn out negotiations with Worcestershire County Council I had Station Road resurfaced in Bewdley. I also had the repainting of road markings from Canterbury Road down through the severe bends to Habberley Valley. I have regular drop in surgeries at All Saints Church, Wribbenhall and deliver newsletters to my residents to keep them updated on issues I have addressed.

I have used my County Council Highways money and gave £1,800 to one of my parishes and £1,200 to the other parish to enhance what the lengthsman get from the County as they do such a good job in the parishes.

Wyre Forest Community Housing have resurfaced large areas of the road in Vally Close, Lower Habberley.

Highlights:

The highlight of this year has been being Chairman of Wyre Forest District Council.

I have attended many varied functions and have particularly enjoyed attending the concerts at the Town Hall.

We have also had a visit by HRH Duke of Kent.

Special Knowledge:

I was a central heating engineer and I have worked in the building trade for many years. This experience helps me with my role on the Planning Committee both at the District and County.

Attendance Percentage for 2010/11

96%.



Ward Information:
Wribbenhall

Political Group:
Conservative
(Chairman of the Council)

Committee Membership:
Council,
Kidderminster Educational Foundation,
Planning

