

### **COUNCILLORS' ANNUAL REPORTS 2017-2018**

Councillor: Fareeda Mir

Ward: Little Horton

Party: Labour

Date Elected: May 2018

Basic: N/A as wasn't elected until May 2018

**Special Responsibility:** N/A as wasn't elected until May 2018

Other Allowances: N/A as wasn't elected until May 2018

Positions held in 2017 - 2018:

N/A as wasn't elected until May 2018

# How many neighbourhood forums have you attended? (Please state a number and not all)

N/A as wasn't elected until May 2018

Other meetings/bodies which you regularly attend: (e.g. School governing bodies, outside bodies etc.

N/A as wasn't elected until May 2018

My priorities for the past year were (May 2017 to April 2018)

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My priorities for the coming year (May 2018 to April 2019) are: (Please list or describe your priorities or targets as a Councillor for the coming year)

# 1) Youth Development /Employment /Education

Young people are the focal point of our society and in the Little Horton ward there are a high number of young people who are not in education, employment or training and are claiming benefits this can be for many factors i.e. deprivation, parents can't afford to send their children to university. Peer pressure where young people are driven to the life of crime. Young children cannot concentrate at school due to malnutrition where parents can't afford to feed their children and the only hot meal children may be getting are free school meals. Families are turning to food banks for food to survive as they can't afford to buy food or may have been sanctioned by the benefits system.



**(NEET)** Not in Employment, Education or Training there are a high level of young people claiming benefits in the area.

- No groups for young girls and young women
- Work with local businesses to offer apprenticeships for young people

# 2) Environment

Little Horton faces a number of issues in terms of cleaner greener issues littering and fly tipping there is a lack of understanding of recycling in households although Bradford Council have introduced recycling in households it's about educating families to recycle I believe the introduction to recycling is the best thing the council are encouraging now it's up to us as a community to implement it. Takeaways in the area also need to take responsibility of rubbish being dumped on the streets encouraging customers to dispose their rubbish in bins takeaway owners also need to look at recycling products.

- More community clean ups
- Households and takeaways Using recycling products
- Promoting recycling
- Educating through schools and community groups

# 3) Drugs/Alcohol

Illegal drug dealing people need to report more to tackle this issue, alcohol is another issue especially those from the Eastern European communities who have a lack of understanding of what is acceptable behaviour more needs to be done i.e. police, pcso's.

### 4) Health and Wellbeing

Working in this sector I have extensive experience working with patients from all ages especially the elderly as this is an ageing society via modern medication keeping people living longer but this is not necessary a quality of life. Little Horton has one of the highest rates of coronary heart disease early intervention can prevent people getting long term conditions such as heart disease, stroke, diabetes. Obesity is another growing concern amongst the young more prevention work needs to be done.

### 5) Adult Care

Adult care is something closer to my heart the elderly struggling to cope with day to day life in their homes due to disabilities such as poor mobility, sensory impairment, and mental health. Dementia which is a mental health problem and closer to my heart as a close family member has this and understanding this condition has been an eye opener for most of my family. I would like to support and create more dementia free zones and for people to have a more education on the condition.



What I have achieved in the past year (May 2017 to May 2018) (Please list or describe some of your activities as a Councillor and what you see as your key achievements)

N/A as wasn't elected until May 2018

What training sessions, seminars, briefings and conferences have you attended to develop your skills and gain knowledge that has helped you to serve the people of the district? (Please list them).

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