

COUNCILLORS' ANNUAL REPORT 2015- 2016

Councillor: Gerry Barker

Ward: Wharfedale

Party: Conservative

Date Elected: 22 May 2014

Basic: £13463.16

Special Responsibility: £2964.48

Other Allowances: N/A

Positions held in 2015 – 2016:

Regulatory & Appeals Committee

Shipley Area Committee

Alternate Member of Health & Social Care Overview & Scrutiny Committee

Alternate Member of Miscellaneous Licenses Panel

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

2

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

Burley Parish Council

Menston Parish Council

District & Parish Councillors Combined Group

Children's Centre Advisory Board

Citizen's Advice Bureau

My priorities for the past year were (May 2015 to May 2016)

To continue to try and understand how Local Government works.

To continue to work effectively with my fellow Councillors.

To continue to respond positively to enquiries and complaints from residents in my Ward.

To continue to discharge my Council commitments to the best of my ability.

To work in co-operation with my local Parish Councillors.

To support the continued operation of Burley & Menston Children's Centre.

**My priorities for the coming year (May 2016 to May 2017) are:
(Please list or describe your priorities or targets as a Councillor for the coming year)**

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To work in co-operation with my local Parish Councillors.

To support the continued operation of Burley & Menston Children's Centre.

To support the Dementia Action Group within my Ward.

**What I have achieved in the past year (May 2015 to May 2016)
(Please list or describe some of your activities as a Councillor and what you see as your key achievements)**

I have begun to understand the machinations of Local Government.

I have achieved a good working relationship with my fellow Ward Councillors.

I have established a working relationship with my local Parish Councillors.

I have helped to maintain the operation of the local Children's Centre.

I have received positive feedback from residents whom I have helped.

Supported my local libraries with National Bookstart Week.

Supported the local Scout Groups in Burley and Menston.

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).

Planning Training

People Can Make a Difference Seminar