

COUNCILLORS' ANNUAL REPORT 2017- 2018

Councillor:	Simon Cooke
Ward:	Bingley Rural
Party:	Conservative
Date Elected:	May 2015
Basic:	£13,463.16
Special Responsibility:	£25,939.08
Other Allowances:	N/A

Positions held in 2017 – 2018:

Leader, Conservative Group
Corporate Overview & Scrutiny Committee
Staffing Committee
Chief Officer Disciplinary Committee
Shipley Area Committee (Alt)

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

- West Yorkshire Combined Authority
- Corporate Overview & Scrutiny
- Local Government Association Economy, Environment, Housing and Transport Board
- Parish council meetings

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

- Securing the future of Denholme Mechanics Institute and Harden Memorial Hall.
- Supporting the campaign for a new village hall in Cullingworth.

My priorities for the coming year (May 2018 to April 2019) are:

- Supporting the new group at Denholme Mechanics Institute.
- Working with police, parish councils and residents to improve response to crime and crime risk.
- Helping where needed on the build of the new Cullingworth Village Hall.
- Securing the least damaging allocation of development land in Wilsden, Cottingley and Harden.

What I have achieved in the past year (May 2017 to May 2018)

- Denholme Mechanics and Harden Memorial Hall transferred to community groups.
- Played a part in Cullingworth Village Hall achieving its target of £860,000 for the new hall.

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?

- LGA National Conference