

COUNCILLORS' ANNUAL REPORTS 2017- 2018

Councillor:	John Pennington
Ward:	Bingley
Party:	Conservative
Date Elected:	December 2008 (By Election)
Basic:	£13,463.16
Special Responsibility:	£16,674.60
Other Allowances:	N/A

Positions held in 2017 – 2018:

Deputy Leader
Employee Appeals
Staffing Committee (Alt)
Regeneration & Economy Overview & Scrutiny (Alt)
Shipley Area Committee (Alt)

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

- 6

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

- Bradford Property Forum
- Bradford Odeon Rescue Group BORG
- Councillors Surgeries around the ward
- Bingley Chamber of Trade
- Bradford Chamber of Commerce
- Bradford Chamber of Commerce Annual Dinner and past president's lunches
- Bingley Conservative meeting
- Bradford Civic Society
- Bradford Textile Society
- Care Providers meetings
- Various events at the Cathedral – Bishops Enthronement etc

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

- Once again to facilitate cross party co-operation to benefit the people of Bradford and District.
- Bring back some good old fashioned common sense to decision making.

**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)**

- To put forward argument in favour of a wider Devolution.
- Ensure a refurbished Odeon becomes reality.
- Area to include North Yorkshire, rather than a Leeds City Region model.
- Promote an HS3 rail route and station to Bradford and a X Rail link between the two city stations.

**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)**

- Attended the LGA Annual also the Conservative Conference (3 Days each in Manchester).
- Been elected at the Conservative Group Leader on Bradford Metropolitan District Council and appointed onto the LGA Safer & Stronger Committee.
- Became a full board member of the West Yorkshire Combined Authority.

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).

- Apart from regular meetings with Senior Officers in connection with Employment and Skills Regeneration, Culture and City Centre region, I have regular 1 to 1 with the Council Leader and Chief Executive.
- I have attended several events at the Cathedral, Greenhill Action Group (Bingley) and the Canal and River Trust events.