

## COUNCILLOR'S ANNUAL REPORT APRIL 2018- MARCH 2019

<b>Councillor:</b>	Rebecca Poulsen
<b>Ward:</b>	Worth Valley
<b>Party:</b>	Conservative
<b>Date Elected:</b>	May 2011
<b>Basic:</b>	£13,463.16
<b>Special Responsibility:</b>	£15,185.46
<b>Other Allowances:</b>	£1,087.50 (West Yorkshire Combined Authority)

### Positions held in 2018 – 2019:

Deputy Leader  
Conservative Spokesperson on Sport, Leisure, Culture and Waste  
Shadow Executive – Neighbourhoods and Community Safety

Employee Appeals Panel  
Keighley Area Committee (Alt)  
Staffing Committee (Alt)

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

- Haworth, Cross Roads and Stanbury Parish Council
- Oxenhope Parish Council
- Haworth Primary School Governor meetings
- Oakworth Village Society
- Haworth Exhibition Trust (Trustee)
- Haworth Village Trust (Trustee)
- Nell Bank Trust (Trustee)
- Friends of Park meetings
- Toilets Working Group

### My priorities for the past year (May 2018 to April 2019) were:

- To continue carrying out my duties as Ward Councillor to the best of my ability.
- To be available to residents to offer help, advice and support.
- To work with the local community to improve the Worth Valley egg Parish Council's, Friends Groups and Community Groups.
- To support local groups through Asset Transfers from BMDC across the Worth Valley.
- To keep in touch with residents through face to face contact, newsletters and social media.
- To support clean up events across the Ward to improve the local environment.
- To work with partner agencies over combined issues egg Police, Parish Council's.

- As Conservative Spokesperson for Environment, Sport, Leisure and Waste to hold the Labour executive to account.
- To support the Conservative Group as Deputy Leader.

**My priorities for the coming year (May 2019 to April 2020) are:**

**(Please list or describe your priorities or targets as a Councillor for the coming year)**

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**What I have achieved in the past year (May 2018 to May 2019)**

**(Please list or describe some of your activities as a Councillor and what you see as your key achievements)**

- Held successful clean up campaigns across the ward including Ebor Lane Nature Reserve, Penistone Hill, Operation Oakworth and Haworth Churchyard.
- Cleared footpaths across the Ward.
- Led the campaign against the closure of the Haworth Visitor Information Centre.
- Led the campaign against removing 30 min free parking at Gas Street car park.
- Held local street surgeries across the villages.
- Dog fouling campaign days.
- Installed new signage for footpaths.
- Arranged for extra grit bins and extra grit routes across the ward.
- Represented residents at planning committee meetings.
- New road safety measures installed.

**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).**

- Child Protection
- GDPR
- Prevent
- Coercive Control workshop
- Evolve E-learning
- Dementia Friends training