

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

<b>Councillor:</b>	Zafar Ali
<b>Ward:</b>	Keighley Central
<b>Party:</b>	Conservative
<b>Date Elected:</b>	May 2015
<b>Basic:</b>	£13,463.16
<b>Special Responsibility:</b>	£2,918.16
<b>Other Council Remunerations:</b>	£8,919.60 (Lord Mayor)

### Positions held in 2018-2019

Keighley Area Committee (Alt)

Lord Mayor of Bradford

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

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

- Keighley Central Ward Partnership
- CLLD
- Shared Church Forum
- Meetings with Council Officers regarding issues such as Traffic, Parking, Highways, Hackney Carriages, Taxis, Cleansing the area Fly tipping, Potholes, Housing issues etc. etc.

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

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

- To Represent the residents of Keighley Central Ward professionally and to the best of my ability and ensuring their legitimate concerns are raised to the relevant departments of Bradford District Council and other agencies.
- To hold Councillors surgeries in Utley, Keighley Town Hall, (Lawkholme) Highfield, Knowles park.
- Appraise the need of CCTV cameras in different parts of Central Ward and to safe guard the community. Work and build up relationships with youths.
- Work with the local Police and Warden team to ensure and provide assistance to people who need help.
- Work with Highways to revert Albert Street back to two way traffic, to minimise the traffic chaos in the area.

## **My priorities for the coming year (May 2019-April 2020)**

- To represent the residents of Central Ward Keighley, professionally and to the best of my ability whenever it is needed.
- Continue to hold Councillor's surgeries in Utleigh, Lawkholm, Highfield, Keighley Town Centre and Knowles park area.
- To highlight the concerns of the residents of Central Ward and deal with the appropriate agencies.
- To support and be part of the Friends of Devonshire Park, Keighley and other similar organisations (Cliff Castle, Lund Park).
- Continue to appraise the need of CCTV Cameras in some parts of the area in Central Ward as a deterrent to minimise the crime and safe guarding the residents.
- To arrange clean days of action (Sweeping Streets and Gully cleaning) in Central Ward. Invite the wardens and Police Officers to visit the area to speak to residents to find out what the problems are in their area.
- Continue to work closely with the Police and appraise them of the need of the community to build good relationships, and work with likeminded organisations to promote cohesion, and safeguarding and better understanding amongst all communities.
- To continue to deal with case work as and when needed.
- To continue to work with Highways (Traffic) to ensure that Albert Street is reverted back to a two way system to end the traffic chaos, and to appraise the need for "resident permits" in Marlborough Street, and to curb High speeding in some parts of Central Ward.
- To provide support/assistance for people who would like to bring or create new business to Keighley to enhance employment opportunity.
- To continue to attend courses/training to enhance my knowledge.

## **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)**

- AS LORD MAYOR OF BRADFORD 2018/2019 - A busy year but very enjoyable and very informative in many areas.
- As Lord Mayor of Bradford I represented the Civic Office professionally and to the best of my ability, attending numerous Conferences, Annual General Meetings, Visiting Schools, Nursing homes, Colleges, University, and attended many other engagements'.
- I managed to promote a good relationship amongst various communities regardless of religion, race, cultural, nationality and to be as one community of the Bradford district.
- Despite having to have to provide Civic duties in the Bradford district, I managed to resolve some of the issues and concerns presented by constituents.
- Over 1200 engagements attended throughout the Bradford District.

**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).**

Over 1200 engagements attended please find and some of them are as below:-

- CSE conference. Keighley
- Safe Guarding
- Dementia Garden Opening .Keighley
- Visit numerous Schools in the Bradford district
- CLLD Keighley
- Keighley & Agricultural Show Keighley
- Rugby Union Football Club
- Several annual Remembrance days across the district

- Launch of the Santa Appeal
- Bradford. Association of Ukraine, Polish, Latvian, West Indian, Jamaica, Dominican
- Celebration 70 Years Wind Rush
- Nigerian Community
- Fund Raising
- Disability Historical History
- International Women's Day
- Graduation Ceremony, School, College, University
- Opening of World War Centenary Exhibition
- Fabien War Memorial Foundation of the Commonwealth Garden
- 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Bradford UNESCO City
- Rotarian Club, Bradford, Shipley and Keighley
- Visit to all Council departments
- Visit to Sorting Office Keighley
- Airedale Shopping Centre Keighley
- Mosques and Churches Gurdawaras Temples, Synagogue, Salvation army, Bradford & Keighley.
- Integrated Conference Keighley
- Numerous Charity functions
- Numerous Nursing homes.