

COUNCILLOR'S ANNUAL REPORT APRIL 2019- MARCH 2020

Councillor: Rebecca Ann Whitaker

Ward: Craven Ward

Party: Conservative

Date Elected: May 2018

Basic: £13,463.16

Special Responsibility: £2,964.48

Other Allowances: N/A

Positions held in 2019 - 2020:

- Area Planning Panel (Bradford)
- Education Appeals Panel
- Keighley Area Committee (Alt)

Council

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

- Silsden Town Council (Deputy Mayor/Deputy Chair)
- Addingham Parish Council
- Steeton with Eastburn Parish Council
- Craven Ward Meetings
- Silsden Emergency Planning Group
- Silsden Grand de Party Committee
- Silsden Local History Group

My priorities for the past year (May 2019 to April 2020) were:

- Continue to represent the Craven Ward residents to the best of my ability.
- Continue to build on my experience as a Ward Councillor and attend any relevant training which is available to me.
- Continue to work with residents and Bradford Officers to help improve highway safety within the Craven Ward.
- To oppose any developments on Greenbelt.

My priorities for the coming year (May 2020 to April 2021) are: (Please list or describe your priorities or targets as a Councillor for the coming year)

- Continue to represent the Craven Ward residents to the best of my ability.
- Continue to build on my experience and knowledge as a Ward Councillor.
- Continue to work with residents and Bradford Officers to help improve highway safety within the Craven Ward.
- Continue to represent ward residents on all planning matters.
- To undertake any relevant training.

What I have achieved in the past year (May 2019 to May 2020) (Please list or describe some of your activities as a Councillor and what you see as your key achievements)

- I have dealt with residents' emails, correspondence and telephone calls to the best of my ability on a wide variety of matters.
- I have continued to help and represent many residents on numerous planning applications.
- I have continued my work with the Highway Officers to help improve road safety across the Craven Ward.
- I have assisted many residents and organisations at the start of the Covid Crisis.

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).

I attend all Craven Ward meetings with the ward officer and other stakeholders to keep up to date with the key issues within my ward. I am in weekly contact with Bradford Officers regarding highway matters across my ward. I have regular contact and updates with the local police officers who serve the Craven Ward. I also attend regular community group meetings and play an active part within this groups.

I have attended further planning training, education appeals training and other ad hoc miscellaneous training seminars.