

" County Councillor Annual Report

This report summarises the activities of the following member of the County Council during

Name of Councillor Richard Shepherd

1) Electoral Division activities

Main Activities and the impact during the past year:

I have responded to members of the public who have contacted me to ask for assistance or information concerning a variety of matters. I work closely with the six Parish Councils in my Division, following up issues as requested and providing reports. I attend their meetings as often as possible. I am conscious that Parish Councillors and Clerks are at the "sharp end" of local communication, and are sometimes held accountable for and expected to know about matters outside their control. I also work closely with the four Borough Councillors whose Wards are in or partly in my Division, and contribute articles about County Council matters to local magazines in order to help make known some aspects of the Council's work.

Some specific examples of work and outcomes:

Intervening when Centrebus, the company providing the number 8 bus service, announced at short notice that all commercial journeys would cease. Working with Nicky Morgan MP to lobby LCC to extend its subsidy to cover the journeys under threat. The subsidy has been continued. Working with Sileby's Borough and Parish Councillors in preparation for the Public Inquiry in February 2018 concerning a planning application for Land East of Seagrave Road, Sileby. Speaking at the Inquiry, which has not yet concluded.

Liaising between Burton on the Wolds, Cotes and Prestwold Parish Council and County Council highways officers to ensure that adequate attention is given to highways issues concerning a planning application for Land off Loughborough Road, Burton on the Wolds.

Working with Wymeswold Parish Council on continuing issues concerning the A6006 and development at Storkit Lane.

Working with Walton on the Wolds Parish Council in the development, with the County Council, of a traffic calming scheme.

Engagement with the Council, other statutory bodies and public utility companies (Water, Gas etc) about services in the area

I have referred to this matter above.

Priorities for the immediate future are:

To continue to be available to residents and Parish Councils, to respond to their enquiries and work on issues with them.

To see the matters referred to above which have not yet been concluded through to a conclusion.

To help shape local services in the context of financial constraints.

To help protect the environment and the quality of life in the context of pressures for development.

2) Council Activities

Committees you serve on at County Hall

County Council

Cabinet

Employment Committee

Corporate Asset Investment Fund Advisory Board

Member Learning and Development Working Party

Transformation Board

Particular issues with which I been actively involved include budget monitoring and setting, human resources, income generation and the Council's progress towards new ways of working.

I am also the Conservative Group's Chief Whip

Local committees/Outside Bodies

East Midlands Shared Services Joint Committee

Eastern Shires Purchasing Organisation (ESPO) Management Committee

Particular issues concerning the above have included the development of new ways of working in Shared Services and ESPO, the better to serve residents and customers.

British Gypsum (Barrow Project) Liaison Committee

Other bodies – School governors/community and charity organisations etc

In June 2017 I stepped down as a governor of Burton on the Wolds Primary School, having served for eight years

3) Learning and development:

All Member Briefing – Safeguarding

Children and Families OSC Briefing

Community Strategy Briefing

MTFS

All Member Briefing Health

All Member Briefing E & T

All Member Briefing Equalities

All Member Briefing Health and Care Integration

All Member Briefing Strategic Growth Plan

All Member Briefing Resilience and Regulatory Services

All Member Briefing Corporate Parenting

All Member Briefing SGP

All Member Briefing MTFS

All Member Briefing Health and Care

All Member Briefing PTPS

All Member Briefing GDPR

All Member Briefing LLEP

4) Other Matters:

I am also a member of Charnwood Borough Council

Signed by Councillor Richard Shepherd

Date 4th June 2018