

County Councillor Annual Report

This report summarises the activities of the following member of the County Council during 2018/19.

Name of Councillor Mr A PEARSON

Representing the MELTON WEST Division

1) Electoral Division activities

Main Activities and the impact during the past year:

The past 12 months has been a busy time in Melton West. The major issue has been the Relief Road, with meetings, consultations and discussions in regard to its time, dates and location and when to be completed. The bypass will have a major impact on congestion, environment and commercial activities for Melton for many years to come.

I have attended many of the local residents' groups where major issues have been voiced in regard to traffic congestion, parking and antisocial behaviour.

I have organised a meeting with some residents to visit the Traffic Control Centre in Leicester who provide services to the County. This was an excellent visit and demonstrated to the residents and myself how well the system works.

We have had ongoing work to follow through in regard to potholes, cleaning drains and pathway repairs in the centre of Melton. Our response as a Council has been excellent, getting most jobs done as quickly as possible.

I have recently been involved in representing the LCC with the potential closure of a preschool nursery, Oasis, which is still ongoing. This has seen negotiations with the local trust, MET, who run the nursery and wish to close it.

Ongoing environmental issues including littering and fly-tipping which I have addressed with local residents and the local Melton Borough Council.

I attend a local group called Melton Matters who help clean the town up on a regular basis, supporting the LCC's drive for a cleaner environment.

Other main activities are to attend the full Council meeting, scrutiny and chair of the Transport and Environment Scrutiny Committee.

I have also been an active member of the Unitary Task Force, which has met on a regular basis to discuss the potential devolution in the County. This has proven to be a major issue for many residents in Melton West.

On a number of occasions, I have supported residents with their communication and contact with officers of the County Council to follow up any issues they have raised.

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

Currently:

- District Councillor for Melton Borough Council.
- Recently appointed to the Cabinet Portfolio of Housing and Communities.
- Member of the Health and Wellbeing Board
- Member of the Police Crime Commission.
- Chair of Safer Melton Partnerships.
- Member of Patients Reference Group, Latham House, Melton Mowbray.

Priorities for the immediate future are:

- Ongoing narrative with residents of Melton West in regard to any issues or concerns they have where we can support and help them achieve their goals.
- Ongoing support and work for the North and East Melton Mowbray Distributor Road.
- Ensure that we are constantly striving to provide the most cost efficient and effective transport services to our residents. Continue to investigate what best fits and serves our transport needs.
- Continue with our long-standing commitment and requirement for climate change.
- To continue to support the Environment and Transport 2019/20, Highways Capital Programme and Highways and Transportation Work Programme.
- Continue to monitor and oversee road casualties in Leicestershire and Leicestershire's approach to casualty reduction be noted.
- Ongoing overview of the Government's resources and waste strategy for England and how it fits with the Leicestershire Municipal Waste Strategy.
- Ongoing overview and support of strategies and policies in regard to our Clean Air Strategy 2019.

2) Council Activities

Committees you serve on at County Hall

Scrutiny Commission.

Chairman of Environment and Transport Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

Unitary Task Group.

Local committees/Outside Bodies

N/A.

Other bodies – School governors/community and charity organisations etc

N/A.

3) Learning and development:

- Training course: Cognitive Edge Leadership Course – ongoing.
- CIH Housing Conference Exhibition, Manchester 2019.
- People and Communities Directorate Training, Melton Mowbray.
- International Society for Physical Activity and Health Conference, London 2018.
- LGA 2019 Annual Conference and Exhibition, Bournemouth 2019.
- East Midlands Tenants Participation Forum Conference, November 2018.

4) Other Matters:

N/A.

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Signed by Councillor

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