

Alan Dudson
County Councillor for Brereton and Ravenhill

Annual Report 1 April 2017 – 31 March 2018

Introduction

I was first elected as County Councillor for the Brereton and Ravenhill electoral division in May 2013. My division lies in the north of Cannock Chase and includes the wards of Brereton and Ravenhill and Hagley and parts of the ward of Western Springs (the Western Springs South Parish ward) and covers approximately 785 hectares with a population of 12,445.



Committee Membership and Attendance Record

My committee membership and attendance record can be seen below:

Meeting title	Possible attendances	Actual attendances	Apols	Absent
Countryside and Rights of Way Panel	5	3	1	1
County Council	8	8	0	0
Local Member Priority Meeting – Cannock	7	4	3	0
Planning Committee	4	4	0	0
Total	24	19	4	1
Percentage attendance		79%	17%	4%

I was also appointed to represent the county council on the following outside body:

- Stoke-on-Trent and Staffordshire Fire & Rescue Authority

My attendance at Fire Authority meetings is listed below:

Meeting title	Possible attendances	Actual attendances	Apols	Absent
Stoke on Trent and Staffordshire Fire Authority	8	7	1	0
Audit Committee	3	2	1	0
Scrutiny and	5	3	2	0

Performance Committee				
Member Development/Training	5	5	0	0
Appraisal Committee	2	2	0	0
Total	23	19	4	0

Schemes supported under the Staffordshire Local Community Fund

Applicant	Project	Amount
Brereton & Ravenhill Association for Community Events	Funding towards marquee, PA system, event insurance, park and hall hire, procession band and float and trophies as part of the Brereton Carnival	£2000.00
Brereton Social Junior FC	Funding towards volunteers to become qualified coaches, coach uniforms, footballs, bibs, goals, cones, barriers, promotion flyers to be issued to schools and surrounding areas	£1000.00
The Management Committee Victory Hall Slitting Mill	Funding towards the internal redecoration of the hall at Slitting Mill	£500.00
Rugeley Rifle Club	Funding towards 2 x MPR Air Arms Air Rifles for the junior member development and training of future champions	£250.00
Rugeley Police Boys Boxing Club	Funding towards punch bags, head guards, boxing gloves and skipping ropes to support the boxing club	£250.00
Rugeley Cricket Club	Funding of replacement cricket bats, pads, gloves and helmets for the junior section	£250.00
Royal British Legion Brereton Branch	Funding towards a flagpole, flag and fittings to be sited at the cenotaph being of community benefit	£800.00
2nd Brereton Brownies	Funding towards coach travel to Gulliver's Kingdom in Matlock for 35 brownies aged 5-10 years	£300.00
Newman Grove Allotment Holders	Funding towards a generator, strip and wall lights, hot water boiler and heater for the	£900.00

Applicant	Project	Amount
	workshop and shelter for the school gardening club	
Rugeley Lotto	Funding towards the hire of an ice rink with attendants for the children of Rugeley during the Christmas lights switch on day	£750.00
Rugeley Rugby Club	Funding towards pitch improvements to field to increase the number of games which can be played	£250.00
Total		£7250.00

Councillor Development

27 March 2018 – Members' Spring Event
 26 March 2018 – How to deal with aggressive people
 20 March 2018 – Cyber Security (E-learning)
 19 January 2018 – Dementia Awareness
 05 October 2017 – Staffordshire Observatory Training
 11 September 2017 – Finance Training
 04 July 2017 – Medium Term Financial Strategy Member Briefing
 30 June 2017 – Infrastructure +
 28 June 2017 – Emergency Planning Briefing
 14 June 2017 – People Helping People
 16 May 2017 – Getting to know your computer

Remuneration

My allowances and expenses

Basic allowance	£9,462.24
Mileage	£306.45
Total allowances cost	£9,768.69

Mileage from my home to County Buildings, where many meetings take place, is 20 miles return.