

**Alastair Little**  
**County Councillor for Amington**

**Annual Report 9 May 2017 – 31 March 2018**

**Introduction**

I was first elected as County Councillor for the Amington electoral division in May 2017.

My division lies in the north east of Tamworth district and includes the wards of Amington and part of the wards of Bolehall and Glascote and covers approximately 585 hectares with a population of 12,082.



**Special Responsibilities**

I am the Cabinet Support Member for External Relationships.

**Committee Membership and Attendance Record**

My committee membership and attendance record can be seen below:

<b>Meeting title</b>	<b>Possible attendances</b>	<b>Actual attendances</b>	<b>Apols</b>	<b>Absent</b>
All Party Member Group – External Relationships (Chairman)	5	5	0	0
County Council	8	7	1	0
Healthy Staffordshire Select Committee	11	10	1	0
Local Member Priority – Tamworth	5	5	0	0
Planning Committee	4	4	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Percentage</b>		<b>94%</b>	<b>6%</b>	<b>0%</b>

**Schemes supported under the Staffordshire Local Community Fund**

<b>Applicant</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Dig-it	Workshops for illustration, spoken word, animation and	£160.00

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	performance, room hire, promotion banner and materials.	
St Giles Hospice	Bereavement and loss training for 3 volunteers in supported care, and 2 extra family support groups including volunteers for 5 families	£459.00
Tamworth Boxing Club	Provide and install new windows throughout the former Christadelphian Hall which is now owned by the boxing club	£2,000.00
Community Together CIC	Life size bronze statue of Sgt Watchman V, a mascot of the Staffordshire Regimental association	£500.00
St Editha's Amington Church	Training of volunteers, resources, publicity and for clients, hire of Amington Primary School for the delivery of 5 courses aimed at helping people on low incomes budget effectively	£980.00
Tamworth & Lichfield Sea Cadets	Folding tables and chairs, storage unit, stackable chairs, paint, display boards furniture, radiators to make the space in the largest room more usable and multi-functional which can be used as a classroom, recreational, parade & cooking areas	£250.00
Tamworth Wellbeing & Cancer Centre	Singing, yoga, Tai Chi, meditation instructors, printing and advertising to promote physical activities	£450.00
Uniquely Me and U	7 months room hire to provide art and music group sessions for adults with disabilities	£500.00
Mercian Ability Partnership	IT improvements to main office, including: high speed broadband installation, firewall, router and 12 months broadband fees	£237.00
Together 4 Tamworth Charitable Association	Insurance, and hire of Tamworth castle grounds for carnival	£500.00
Heart of Tamworth Community Project	Replacement kitchen, kitchen units and a cooker at the Sacred	£600.00

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	Heart and St John's Church community centre	
Tamworth Literacy Festival	Venue hire, guest speaker expenses, printing, screen projector, amplification equipment, writing competition prizes insurance and raffle licence for the Literary Festival	£500.00
Chances Tamworth	2 projectors to deliver wellbeing workshops	£352.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>£7,488.00</b>

## **Councillor Development**

- 27/03/2018 - Members Spring Event
- 14/03/2018 - Cyber Security
- 22/02/2018 - Public Speaking
- 09/02/2018 - Level 1 Child Protection Training
- 16/01/2018 - Questioning Skills for Members
- 05/12/2017 - Smith Square Debate on Brexit
- 13/11/2017 - Connecting with your Communities - Social media training for members
- 07/11/2017 - Members' Autumn Event
- 12/10/2017 - My Staffs App Training for Members
- 05/10/2017 - Staffordshire Observatory Training
- 14/09/2017 - Code of Conduct
- 11/09/2017 - Finance Training for Members
- 30/08/2017 - Members Claims Training
- 27/07/2017 - Planning for Personal Safety
- 10/07/2017 - Infrastructure+ Operational Control Room Visit
- 04/07/2017 - Medium Term Financial Strategy Member Briefing
- 30/06/2017 - Infrastructure+
- 28/06/2017 - Emergency Planning Briefing for Members
- 14/06/2017 - People Helping People
- 15/05/2017 - Getting to Know your Computer

## **Remuneration**

### **My Allowances and Expenses**

<b>Basic allowance</b>	<b>£8,361.85</b>
<b>Special Responsibility Allowance</b>	<b>£5,079.67</b>

<b>Mileage</b>	£ 773.55
<b>Other</b>	£48.30
<b>Subsistence</b>	£110.20
<b>Total allowances cost</b>	<b>£14,373.57</b>

My return mileage from home to County Buildings, where many meetings take place, is 50 miles.