

**Ben Adams**  
**County Councillor for Perrycrofts**

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

**Introduction**

I was first elected as County Councillor for the Perrycrofts electoral division in June 2009.

My division lies in the north of Tamworth. It includes Spital ward and part of the ward of Mercian covering 617 hectares with a population of 12,182.



**Special Responsibilities**

I am Vice-Chairman of Planning Committee.

**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>
County Council	8	7	1	0
Local Member Priority Meeting – Tamworth	5	2	3	0
Pensions Committee	10	8	2	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Percentage</b>		<b>74%</b>	<b>26%</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 people with dyslexia and other learning difficulties	£160.00
St Giles Hospice	Bereavement and loss training for three volunteers and extra family support groups	£459.00
Tamworth Boxing Club	Installation of new windows in	£2000.00

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	the former Christadelphian Hall	
Community Together CIC	Life size bronze statue of Sgt Watchman V a mascot of the Staffordshire Regimental Association	£300.00
Total Arts Community Theatre	Printing, trophies and adjudicator for the Tamworth Drama Festival	£250.00
Uniquely Me and U	Seven months room hire to provide art and music sessions for adults with disabilities	£370.00
Mercian Ability Partnership	High speed broadband installation, firewall, router and 12 months broadband fees to allow access to the national register of mobility scooters to facilitate swift return of lost or stolen mobility scooters	£237.00
Together 4 Tamworth Charitable Association	Insurance and hire of Tamworth Castle for the Tamworth Carnival	£500.00
Coton Green Evangelical Free Church Trust	Craft materials for three activity sessions for ten primary schools to address issues that affect their emotional wellbeing and mental health	£750.00
Tamworth Pantomime Company	Funding towards the hire of the Big Top for the performance of Cinderella in the grounds of Tamworth Castle	£500.00
Heart of Tamworth Community Project	Funding towards a replacement kitchen at the Sacred Heart and St. John's Church community centre for the benefit of 38 community groups who use the centre	£400.00
Tamworth Rugby Union Football Club	Training equipment for the under 8's tag rugby team	£300.00

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Tamworth Literacy Festival	Venue hire, guest speaker expenses, prizes etc. for the Literacy Festival	£200.00
The Coton Centre (Coton Green Church)	Window blackout blinds, and equipment to provide an environment suitable for a community cinema and school and music concerts and events	£424.00
Cruse Bereavement Care South Staffordshire	Funding towards trainers, expenses and room hire to provide trained, experienced volunteers for adults and children dealing with bereavement	£400.00
<b>Total Spend</b>		<b>£7500.00</b>

## **Councillor Development**

- 07/11/2017 - Members' Autumn Event
- 14/09/2017 - Level 1 Child Protection Training
- 07/09/2017 - Members Claims Training
- 11/05/2017 - Welcome Day

## **Remuneration**

### **My Allowances and Expenses**

<b>Basic allowance</b>	£9,462.24
<b>Special Responsibility Allowance</b>	£4,325.82
<b>Mileage</b>	£479.70
<b>Subsistence</b>	£4.00
<b>Total allowances cost</b>	<b>£14,271.76</b>

My return mileage from home to County Buildings, where many meetings take place, is 46 miles.