

Charlotte Atkins
County Councillor for Leek South

Annual Report 9 May 2017 – 31 March 2018

Introduction

I was first elected as County Councillor for the Leek South electoral division in May 2013.

My division lies in the north of Staffordshire Moorlands and includes the wards of Leek West and parts of the wards of Leek East and Leek South and covers approximately 1056 hectares with a population of 14,965.



Special Responsibilities

I am the Shadow Cabinet Deputy Leader.

Committee Membership and Attendance Record

My committee membership and attendance record can be seen below:

Meeting title	Possible attendances	Actual attendances	Apols	Absent
All Party Member Group – External Relationships	5	5	0	0
Corporate Review Committee	8	6	1	1
County Council	8	8	0	0
Healthy Staffordshire Select Committee	11	10	1	0
Joint Informal Session – PCC Business Case Consultation	1	0	1	0
Local Member Priority Meeting -Staffordshire Moorlands	4	4	0	0
Medium Term Financial Strategy Working Group	9	7	2	0
Special Committee re: Remuneration	1	1	0	0
Special Committee to exercise functions under the Officer Employment Rules	2	2	0	0

Total	49	43	5	1
Percentage Attendance		88%	10%	2%

Schemes supported under the Staffordshire Local Community Fund

Applicant	Project	Amount
Leek Tennis Club	Funding of a professional tennis coaching in schools within the Leek area for a period of 4 weeks for each school to include 2 free coaching sessions at the tennis club.	£1000.00
Borderland Voices	Funding towards professional local artists learning and artist skills sessions in painting, drawing, printing, collage, ceramics, recycled materials, photography, willow, textiles, wire and fuse glass to enable participants to develop existing artistic skills and learn new ones	£980.00
The Beatrice Charity	Funding towards works for facilities, radiators, pipe works and fitting, toilet pipe works and labour for the charity narrow boat primarily for children with special needs	£1000.00
Grow Moorlands	Funding of hand tool, yard brushes, digging forks, wood treatment for much needed garden services which gives opportunities to young people with learning disabilities and adults with mental health issues	£175.00
Friends of Brough Park Leek	Funding towards 3 all-weather gazebos to include tables and chairs for the band concerts through the summer months	£1000.00
Leek Amateur Swimming Club	Funding of wrist heart rate monitor, swimming parachute, action camera and Finis Kick Pro to enhance and update the training of club swimmers	£1196.88

Applicant	Project	Amount
Home-Start Staffordshire Moorlands	Funding towards safeguarding training, advertising for volunteers, family support worker, meetings with ex-families, travel costs, refreshments and towards expenses of school yard office the charity offers support, friendship and practical help, to parents with young children in the district	£1500.00
Leek Twinning	Funding towards photography and printing to publish a guide giving information to the community about twinning with Este in Northern Italy with the aim to encourage local people to take part in all that twinning offers	£645.00
Total		£7496.88

Councillor Development

- 27 March 2018 Members' Spring Event
- 18 March 2018 Cyber Security Training (e-learning)
- 11 January 2018 Dementia Awareness
- 13 September 2017 Members' Claims Training
- 30 June 2017 Infrastructure+
- 29 June 2017 Managing Files
- 28 June 2017 Emergency Planning Briefing
- 22 June 2017 Word Essentials
- 14 June 2017 People Helping People
- 17 May 2017 Getting to Know your Computer
- 16 May 2017 Code of Conduct Training

Remuneration

My allowances and expenses

Basic allowance	£9,462.24
Special Responsibility Allowance	£6,141.84
Mileage	£514.80
Total allowances cost	£16,118.88

b) Mileage and Subsistence

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