

**Gill Burnett**  
**County Councillor for Kidsgrove**

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

**Introduction**

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

My division lies in the north of Newcastle under Lyme borough and includes the wards of, Kidsgrove, Newchapel and Ravenscliffe and covers approximately 994 hectares with a population of 14,673.



**Special Responsibilities**

I am Cabinet Support Member for Adult Safeguarding.

**Committee Membership and Attendance Record**

My committee membership and attendance record can be seen below:

<b>Meeting</b>	<b>Expected</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Apols</b>	<b>Absent</b>	<b>In attendance</b>
Cabinet	0	0	0	0	6
Corporate Parenting Panel	10	4	5	1	0
County Council	8	8	0	0	0
Health and Wellbeing Board (Substitute)	0	0	0	0	1
Healthy Staffordshire Select Committee	3	3	0	0	0
Local Member Priority Meeting - Newcastle	3	1	2	0	0
Political Cabinet	7	5	2	0	0
Property Informal Briefing	2	1	1	0	0
Property Sub-Committee (Invitee/Observer)	1	0	1	0	1
<b>Totals</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>Percentage</b>		<b>65%</b>	<b>32%</b>	<b>3%</b>	

**Member comments on committees/attendance record**

I was also appointed to represent the county council on the following outside body for part of the year:

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

My attendance at Fire Authority Meetings is shown below:

<b>Meeting title</b>	<b>Possible attendances</b>	<b>Actual attendances</b>	<b>Apols</b>	<b>Absent</b>
Stoke on Trent and Staffordshire Fire and Rescue Authority	3	2	1	0
Human Resources and Ethics Committee	1	0	1	0
Service Improvement and Equality Committee	1	0	1	0
Scrutiny and Performance Committee	1	0	1	0
Member Development/Training	3	3	0	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>

### **Divisional activities**

To work with the County and Borough council to reopen the dry side of the sports Centre in Kidsgrove.

To report and chase up pothole and road repairs across my ward.

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

<b>Applicant</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Tom Lowe Amateur Boxing Club	Punch bags, boxing gloves, pad & bag mitts, head guards & competition gloves, skipping ropes, floor mats, and speedball	£500.00
Friends of Kidsgrove Station Gardens	Hedge trimmers, bark, soil improver, tools and tree surgery to maintain the station's gardens	£600.00
Kidsgrove Town Centre CIC	2 x 1000 metre festoon lighting, fixtures, fittings, star motifs for the	£1,000.00

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	Christmas lights in Kidsgrove	
Thursfield Primary School – PTFA	Overhead projector, screen and audio system for the school hall	£1,000.00
Kidsgrove Sports Centre Community Group	Badminton stands, netting, nets, rackets, shuttle cocks and cricket stumps	£1,000.00
Seam CIC	Healthy snacks, consumables and resources for the crafts sessions for parents and carers to complete along with their children in delivering the support group Maryhill Monkeys for Kidsgrove families	£300.00
St Thomas Church	Funding of a baby changing unit and installation within the disabled toilet at the Church hall	£499.59
The King's CE(A) School	Artificial plants and planters to enhance the library space in creating separate learning areas and some privacy study	£200.00
Clough Hall Bowling Club	Ditch linings around the bowling green to prevent damage and repairing of dangerous potholes at the entrance	£1,500.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>£6,599.59</b>

### **Member comments on SLCF spend**

I have used my community fund to better services in my ward, to promote a healthy lifestyle and to give residents better local facilities and to benefit their leisure time.

### **Councillor Development**

- 27/03/2018 - Members Spring Event
- 26/03/2018 - How to deal with aggressive people
- 19/03/2018 - Cyber Security
- 19/03/2018 - Powerpoint Training
- 30/11/2017 - How ICT works in Staffordshire
- 17/11/2017 - Level 1 Child Protection Training
- 13/11/2017 - Connecting with your Communities - Social media training for members

- 14/09/2017 - Code of Conduct
- 30/08/2017 - Members Claims Training
- 27/07/2017 - Planning for Personal Safety
- 30/06/2017 - Infrastructure+
- 28/06/2017 - Emergency Planning Briefing for Members
- 17/05/2017 - Getting to Know your Computer
- 11/05/2017 - Welcome Day

### **Member comments on development**

I have found my personal development both interesting and enlightening and will continue with my learning over the next year.

## **Remuneration**

### **My Allowances and Expenses**

<b>Basic allowance</b>	£8,361.85
<b>Special Responsibility Allowance</b>	£ 7,435.23
<b>Mileage</b>	£1,020.60
<b>Total allowances cost</b>	<b>£16,817.68</b>

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

### **Member comments on remuneration**

I have only claimed for traveling expenses where necessary.