

Helen Fisher
County Councillor for Burntwood South

Annual Report 09 May 2017 – 31 March 2018

Introduction

I was first elected as County Councillor for Burntwood South electoral division in May 2017.

My division lies in the west of Lichfield district and includes the wards of All Saints, Chasetown, Summerfield and part of the ward of Highfield and covers approximately 765 hectares with a population of 13,256.



Special Responsibilities

I am the Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport.

Committee Membership and Attendance Record

My committee membership and attendance record can be seen below:

Meeting title	Possible attendances	Actual attendances	Apols	Absent	In attendance
Cabinet					9
County Council	8	8	0	0	-
Economy, Infrastructure and Skills MTFS Challenge Session	2	1	1	0	-
Local Member Priority Meeting – Lichfield	4	1	3	0	-
Political Cabinet	10	9	1	0	-
Property Informal Briefing	1	1	0	0	1
Property Sub-Committee (Invitee/Observer)	-	-	-	-	2
Prosperous Staffordshire Select Committee	-	-	-	-	2

(Invitee/Observer)					
Total	25	20	5	0	14
Percentage		80%	20%	0%	

Member comments on committees/attendance record

My responsibility within the cabinet sometimes impacts on my attending meetings but where appropriate I receive a briefing.

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

- Lichfield District Safer Neighbourhood Panel

Divisional activities

I am always available to help in any way in my division. Most of the issues I regularly deal with are highways related.

Special activities

I have most recently been involved in helping with a serious parking issue at a local school. Also, I take part regularly in meetings for the Burntwood Town Deal.

Schemes supported under the Staffordshire Local Community Fund

Applicant	Project	Amount
Burntwood Live at Home Scheme	Printing and distribution costs for 1,000 newsletters for 3 quarters for the older members of the community in the Burntwood area	£750.00
South East Staffs CAB	Training resources for 10 volunteers and recruitment, training, accreditation of a volunteers to become CAB advisors	£450.00
Burntwood Town Council	Scout band, festive food and hot drinks, banner, gas canisters for the free family Christmas Festival at Chasetown High Street	£300.00
Burntwood Town Council	Funding towards face painter, festive land train, fair rides, PPL licence, St John Ambulance, play	£270.00

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	bus Santa, scout band and presents as part of the Sankey's Corner Burntwood Christmas Festival	
SCC – Chasewater Innovation Centre	Funding towards design, etching and plinth and installation to erect and site a Toposcope at Chasewater Country Park	£3,000.00
Burntwood Pathway Project	Outings and activities based around the needs of the individual-action kids work with children and young people who are dealing with issues in their lives	£1,000.00
Burntwood Community Table Tennis Club	60 printed T-shirts for team members	£500.00
Total		£6,270.00

Member comments on SLCF spend

I have been happy to support these local groups, the work they do in our community helps many people and I'm glad I can help in a small way.

Councillor Development

- 18/03/2018 - Cyber Security
- 13/03/2018 - Public Speaking
- 26/02/2018 - Assertiveness/Self Confidence
- 09/02/2018 - Level 1 Child Protection Training
- 29/01/2018 - Time Management for Members
- 16/01/2018 - Questioning Skills for Members
- 09/01/2018 - Leadership Academy - Module 3
- 28/11/2017 - Leadership Academy - Module 2
- 13/11/2017 - Connecting with your Communities - Social media training for members
- 07/11/2017 - Members' Autumn Event
- 21/09/2017 - Leadership Academy - Module 1
- 07/09/2017 - Members Claims Training
- 10/07/2017 - Infrastructure+ Operational Control Room Visit
- 04/07/2017 - Medium Term Financial Strategy Member Briefing
- 30/06/2017 - Infrastructure+
- 20/06/2017 - Word Essentials

- 14/06/2017 - People Helping People
- 13/06/2017 - Outlook Essentials
- 19/05/2017 - Getting to Know your Computer
- 11/05/2017 - Welcome Day

Member comments on development

I have attended many training sessions and in particular I have enjoyed the Leadership Academy run by the Local Government Association.

Remuneration

My Allowances and Expenses

Basic allowance	£8,361.85
Special Responsibility Allowance	£10,159.34
Mileage	£1,309.95
Other	£15.00
Total allowances cost	£19,846.14

Mileage and Subsistence

Mileage from my home to County Buildings, where many meetings take place, is 40 miles return.