

Councillor Paul Lorber
Liberal Democrat Group Leader
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LOCAL WARD WORK

Together with my Liberal Democrat colleagues I continue to deal with case work, carry out regular walk about and inspect areas across Sudbury. The greatest number of concerns raised by local residents continues to be litter and the condition of roads and pavements. We continue to inspect and report these to the council as necessary.

SURGERIES HELD

Jointly with Chandubhai Patel I continue to hold a regular monthly Advice Surgery in the Barham Library Complex every 3rd Wednesday of the month. We also work closely with our Liberal Democrat colleagues in Alperton in respect of their Surgery. In addition I do home visits and inspect areas where issues have been raised with me.

COUNCIL MEETINGS

I attend Scrutiny and Executive Meetings in addition to various Consultative Meetings and where necessary Planning and other Meetings where ward issues arise. In addition I attend the various ward working meetings required to consider investment in local projects

COMMUNITY MEETINGS ATTENDED

I attend the Sudbury Safer Neighbourhood Team meetings, residents Association Meetings, Sudbury Neighbourhood Centre events, Community Centre Events, Pensioner Forum, Night Shelter, Green Fair, local Schools, Residents Association events and most recently meetings organised by the various Save our Library Groups. I feel better informed and can respond to request for advice.

WORK IN RESPECT OF WHICH RESPONSIBILITY ALLOWANCE IS PAYABLE

I continue to lead my Group, scrutinise decisions made by the executive and pursue alternative proposals as necessary. I have regular meetings with the

chief Executive and senior officers and am part of the Senior Councillors Corporate Parenting & Safeguarding Group.

PARTICIPATION IN OUTSIDE AND GOVERNING BODIES

I am an active Governor at Barham Primary School and have helped to organise an author visit to the school and a school trip to the local library and also participated in a science activity day organised by volunteers from IBM at the school.

TRAINING EVENTS ATTENDED

I attended a two day IDEA (Improvement & Development Agency) course on the Big Society and also an in house training session on Child Protection and Corporate Parenting. I also attended a Governors session on child protection at Barham School.

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS THROUGHOUT THE PERIOD

I helped to establish Friends of Barham Library as a registered charity and prepared a business plan for them. I continue to help with fundraising and recruitment of volunteers.

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