

# **Annual Report: Cllr. David James Hall 2011/12**

## **Participation at Council Meeting Committees**

I have attended every meeting of the full council and participated in most debates, speaking on many matters of concern to my residents and challenging the administration where necessary. The LDF particularly was of great concern to most residents in the ward, and I remain opposed to the release of Green Belt.

As deputy leader of the Conservative group I have influenced policy matters and represented the group locally and nationally.

I have spoken on behalf of residents at several planning meetings and quasi-judicial hearings and have attended and chaired public meetings in the ward. I have supported local parents with school admissions appeals and have been present at most Area Committee meetings.

I was a member of the Resources Scrutiny Committee and the Corporate Governance and Audit Committee, and have attended most meetings of these committees.

I served on, and attended every meeting of, the West Yorkshire Fire Authority, including the Finance Committee.

## **Ward Work**

My work on behalf of constituents has been often and varied, ranging from planning queries to parking issues, road-safety and housing problems, anti-social neighbours etc. I have been proud to represent the council at local functions and am always keen to meet people.

I have also worked closely with several of the tenants' and residents' groups, together with my colleagues Cllr Bates and Cllr Holmes, in order to advise and assist them in their efforts.

I was pleased to attend the opening of the new Windybank Community Centre, and I look forward to a good relationship with the new TRA there. I remain involved with groups in the ward which are particularly concerned with the LDF and school projects in Roberttown, Hartshead and Gomersal.

## **Training and Development**

Throughout the year I have taken part in several training, coaching and learning sessions, both in Kirklees and outside, and have gained a lot of knowledge and good practice from them.