

# Annual Report: Cllr. Andrew C G Marchington 2010/11

## Introduction

Another packed year in Cowlersley, Golcar, Longwood, Milnsbridge, Paddock Head and Salendine Nook.

Action has taken place in all our communities, working for and with local people. Some of the highlights are:-

- major road resurfacing has taken place on Lowergate, Longwood Road, Gilead Road, Deep Lane and Benn Lane
- the gardens on James Street have been improved
- a number of footpaths have been upgraded
- extra grit bins have been installed across the ward
- improved procedures for gritting and bin collections led to a lot less disruption this year (but there is still room for improvement)
- worked with Cllrs Robert and Christine Iredale in local schools talking to children about local democracy and how they can improve their area.

Once again, a big thank you to the residents of the ward, who continue to share their concerns with me and to all those I have had the pleasure of working with over the last twelve months. So many people make such a difference to all our villages and communities. Also, a big thank you to my ward colleagues Robert and Christine who have been a constant support.

## Participation at Council Meeting Committees

In the 2010/11 municipal year, I was a member of the following bodies, committees and groups:

Full Council

Area Committee - The Valleys - Young People's Lead

Colne Valley Area Housing Forum

School Organisation Advisory Committee

## Participation on Outside Bodies

Partnership Boards :

Kirklees Safer Stronger Local Public Service Board (Chair)

Kirklees Partnership

Violent Crime Task Group (Chair)

Respect Steering Group (Chair)

Physical, Social, Health, Citizen Education ( PSHCE) Steering Group (Chair)

Botham Hall & Trees Partnership for Active Communities

Colne Valley Neighbourhood Management Group (Joint Chair)

Community Cohesion Programme Board

#### Outside Bodies:

Peak District National Park Authority (Services Committee Chair)  
West Yorkshire Police Authority  
Kirklees SACRE (Standing Advisory Council for Religious Education)  
Kirklees Faiths Forum  
Kirklees Churches Trust  
Lawrence Batley Theatre Trust  
Golcar Township Lands Charity

#### **Ward Work**

- Ward surgeries each month (see below for further details);
- information newsletters keeping local residents informed about key issues affecting them;
- casework;
- local residents' surveys;
- regular meetings with ward colleagues;
- regular attendance at community events.

#### **Members Surgeries**

1st Saturday of the month - Longwood Mechanics 10.00am - 12.00 noon

1st Monday of the month - Cowlersley Community Centre 5.15pm - 6.30pm

2nd Saturday of the month - Milnsbridge Baptist Chapel 10.30 am - 12.00 noon

3rd Tuesday of month - Drop by Shop, Sycamore Avenue 4.30pm - 6.00pm

Last Wednesday of the month - Golcar Liberal Club 8.00pm - 9.00pm