



County Councillor Jewel Miah Annual Report 2019/20

Please get in touch if I can help in anyway

This year I was reappointed to the **Adult Social Care and Communities committee** which oversees and scrutinises the county's Social Care, Libraries and Museums services. It includes oversight of Care Commissioning, Care Homes, Reablement services and the County Records division.

Like all councillors I attend the full **Council Meetings** where I speak on local matters and on policies related to Adult Social Care and Communities but also on wider issues that may come up at meetings such as Highways, Education and council Finance.

These meetings and other information is recorded and [webcast](#) for you on You Tube channel Leicestershire County Council.

I also serve on the **ad hoc committees and panels** such as employment tribunals and scrutiny panels.

Local bodies and groups with which I am connected:

I attend residents' organisations, community groups and schools when I am invited or offer to attend for a specific local matter. These are:

The Sidings Area Residents association primarily around the train station area of town.

Hastings Community Association located at the Carillon cricket club off Empress Road.

Bangladesh Social Association where I am the General Secretary and help in running the organisation on a voluntary basis.

I also attended as a governor at *Limehurst Academy* for part of the year as I took the option to step back recently after being on governing body for over a decade.

Equality Action as a member I support and promote the aims and objectives of the organisation and help when needed.

Fearon Hall Community Association as an appointed observer I oversee the running of the organisation to ensure its aims and objectives are being fulfilled.

Activities I've been involved in

Strategic issues concerning the County Council

Carbon Reduction: I was pleased to be part of a group that proposed a motion in Council to declare a Climate Change Emergency. As a result, the LCC Environment Policy has been updated.

Adult Social Care: As a member of this committee I get first hand reports of what is happening in our care homes and the services to residents needing care at home. I've shared concerns around service delivery highlighting the help to live at home service.



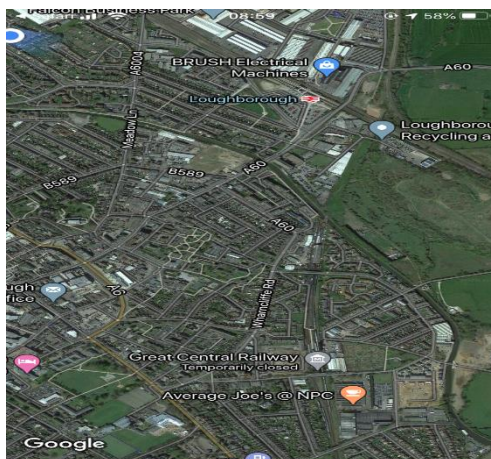
Libraries: Unfortunately, in recent years a few have had to close in the County and others transferred to community groups/parishes to look after. I've been keeping a close watch and encouraging the '**Smart Library**' roll out this year as this could ensure more to stay open and for longer.

Coronavirus: Covid-19 Emergency. I am in touch with all local and county services, monitoring activity and have had weekly online briefings and Q&A from Directors/Officers at County Hall.

Locally I have organised the BSA Foodbank and arranged for the delivery of emergency food parcels throughout Loughborough.

This is an unprecedented and ongoing situation. I will provide a full detail in next year's annual report.

Local Issues for residents and individuals



Loughborough East

- Helped with the consultation on the proposed East of Loughborough – Hastings Ward residents parking scheme.

- Reported issues with road surfaces and drainage across the division including Clarence Street, Meadow Lane, Moira St, King Street, Belton Road, Burder Street, Biggin Street.
- Assisted local resident groups and our community organisations throughout the year. Keeping in contact with Centre managers and providing help and advice when required.
- Reassuring and assisting residents regarding the flooding which occurred last winter around the Edward Street/Lisle Street area.
- Pushed for a Loughborough Town Council: a Loughborough Area Committee has been established as a result.
- Working with the local Police Inspector and holding a meeting at the Loughborough Mosque on King Street to help reassure residents.
- Working with our Police and Crime commissioner who visited the area several times in the year in making Loughborough East a safer place to live.
- Responding to local planning matters especially around Clarence Street, Morley St, Toothill Road, Windmill Road and Fennel Street
- Helping residents access disabled facilities grants to make their homes more liveable.
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Priorities for the future:

- To minimise the effect of the Covid-19 pandemic and build back better in the aftermath.
- Ensure Social Care services are at their best and have the staff they need to care for vulnerable people under the pandemic
- Promote the Loughborough Growth Strategy Town Centre Highways project YP97
- Enough high-quality school, pre-school and childcare places in the area I represent.
- Promote carbon zero measures beyond internal operations.
- Explore new ways to mobilise street wardens to control parking and improve safety outside schools in the Division I represent.
- Disseminate the messages of county's public health work - currently on Active Travel and the Coronavirus.
- Better information to families about services for elderly people and people with learning difficulties.



- Support voluntary organisations and try to ensure that grants and participative budgeting is directed towards social priorities.
- Campaign for better funding for the NHS. Never take great performance from our acute services in UHL, mental health in LPP and GP services for granted.
- Introduce road safety improvements where possible and community speeding interventions to reduce casualties.
- Continue to campaign with others to reduce casualties involving pedestrians and cyclists. Especially along school routes.
- Keep supporting our local Schools - Limehurst High, Rendell Primary and Cobden Primary to achieve the best outcomes for our children.
- Campaign for closing the loop to extent transport to post 16 students of special schools for SEND pupils.
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- Work with the Police and Crime Commissioner and local Police Inspector and his team to deliver a safer area for all of us.



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