

Annual Report 2019

Councillor Paul Brading – Lake South Ward

During my second year as a Councillor I have continued to work for the residents of Lake South, addressing issues things such as planning, parking, and rubbish, to list a few. I have tackled complex issues like works started without planning permissions and enforcement actions.

As Cabinet Member for Children's Services, Education and Skills I have been able to really contribute to the whole Island. My Children's Services team had a full Ofsted inspection in November, and we received a good rating in every aspect, and overall. This is the result of a 6-year improvement journey, and puts us in the top 20% Nationally, I am so proud of all my team.

I have also been privileged to attend numerous events celebrating the achievements of our young people, and our excellent schools and teachers.

Visiting schools on a regular basis is a very enjoyable part of my role.

As well as hosting an Island Youth Conference, I also hosted the inaugural Island Education Seminar, which is the start of a journey to shape the experiences of our young people through school and into adulthood. I also introduced 0% Council Tax for our Care Leavers.

In addition to my Cabinet role, I sit on Pension Committee; Health and Wellbeing Board; IOW Local Children's Safeguarding Board, Adult Community Learning Board, plus chairing the Corporate Parenting Board. I have also been asked to join LAACES, which is a new exciting 3-year pilot project on new techniques to help speech and language.

I am proud to represent Lake South on the Isle of Wight Council and will continue to give my best in the years ahead. I take this opportunity to thank all my residents for their continued support.

Paul Brading

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