

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING OF ALFRETON TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON 16^{TH} MAY 2017 AT 6:30PM IN ROOM 1, ALFRETON HOUSE

Present: Councillor M Kerry and 9 electors.

To hear an address from Councillor Mary Kerry, Town Mayor.
 The Meeting heard a speech from Councillor M Kerry on her year as Town Mayor 2016/2017

I am truly humbled by the support that I have received during my year as Mayor.

I have had a busy but interesting and dare I say it enjoyable year representing the town of Alfreton at a wide range, of events - around 40 in number.

This includes civic events, fun days both in Alfreton and Amber Valley and religious services for other Councils and in Alfreton to mark significant events in history and to commemorate those lost in war, the town organised the Remembrance Sunday event to do just that. I was asked to open the skate park on the Welfare of which this Council helped to fund and the Council held their first Fun Run which was a great success and attended by many.

I have attended sporting events, choral and theatre events. I was particularly pleased to participate in beating the retreat at Chatsworth. The Council held their fourth Christmas light switch on which increases in popularity each year and helped to raise funds for my chosen charity. Only last week I participated in the walk around Alfreton to mark 200 years since the Pentrich Revolution, of which an Interpretation Board is now in situ to be enjoyed by many for future years to come.

When I was considering which charity to support, personal reasons attracted me to 'mind' but I was particularly taken by their slogan "we won't give up until everyone experiencing a mental health problem gets support and respect", it was their statement that mental health sufferers don't just need help they also need respect that caught my imagination. I have had many events to raise fund on their behalf. I have raised £1398.44 through people's generosity.

I want to place on record my thanks to my consort Mandy Oldknow, Mandy has accompanied and supported me at many of the functions I have attended as mayor. I should also like to thank the deputy Town Mayor, Councillor John Walker, who has always been available to support the work of the Town Mayor. Last but not least I would like to thank the other Alfreton Town Councillors and Council staff who have made my year as mayor gratifying.

- 2. To receive the Town Mayor's Annual Report
 The meeting received and approved the report.
- 3. To receive a report on the finances of Alfreton Town Council
 The meeting heard an explanation of the reports from the Assistant Town Clerk and RFO
- 4. To hear items from members of the public There were none

The Mayor concluded the meeting by thanking fellow Councillors, staff and the Police for their efforts in Alfreton.

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