

Roger Mazillius – Cowes South and Northwood ward

Annual Report May 2011

I was asked by the Leader to undertake the Cabinet responsibilities for Adult Social Care and Housing at the beginning of this municipal year and was pleased to accept this challenging post during which much re-organisation, consultation and financial changes have been necessary to meet the changing financial circumstances arising from the Co-alition Government's spending review.

In addition I have continued to Chair the Council's Pension Fund Committee. This is a particularly interesting and challenging Committee due to the difficult financial task of developing the investment portfolio coupled with the controversial changes set out in the Hutton Report on Public Sector Pensions. I also attend meetings of the NHS PCT Board, these being quite momentous times dealing with the proposals for NHS re-organisation, including the creation of new Health and Well-being Boards.

My attendance at Full Council, Cabinet and the Pension Committee over the past year has been 100%. In addition I have attended several training sessions, inter-agency seminars and conferences.

I have dealt with the usual residents representations expressing concerns about traffic speeds, road conditions, dog fouling, school parking etc. I am also involved explaining the recent proposed housing development sites under the Island Plan allocations and have arranged a local residents briefing to assist in the consultation process.

I sit on Cowes Town Council and Northwood Parish Council and have been actively involved in the provision of new Community Bus Services to replace Wightbus and the changes to Cowes Library where I have volunteered to be trained to assist in delivering this local service. I have also volunteered to be trained to drive a Community Bus.

I have re-joined Northwood Primary School as a Community Governor and am looking forward to the full implementation of the 4-11 age range from this September.

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