

Councillor David Williams – Shanklin Central Ward

Annual Report 2012

I remain committed to serving Shanklin residents and to carry out my constituency duties. I have other additional responsibilities and I continue to represent the Isle of Wight on the Hampshire and Isle of Wight Police Authority.

I meet regularly with the Senior Officer and Cabinet member responsible for our safety on the island.

At the 2011 Annual Meeting of the Isle of Wight Council I was very proud and honoured to be voted as Chairman of the Council. Needless to say I have had a busy year representing the island at various events. My term of office terminates on 16th May 2012 when a new Chairman will be elected.

I would now like to concentrate on my local duties as the elected member for Shanklin Central and my work on Shanklin Town Council.

I have worked closely with my other local councilors, Cllr Tim Hunter-Henderson and Cllr David Pugh with subjects effecting Shanklin residents at County Hall. Cllr Pugh and I have vigorously opposed the staging of a music festival just outside Shanklin near Whitley Bank. If this WOW Fest goes ahead it will mean road and footpath closures in the area. It is due to take place on the second week of August which is also the Garlic Festival weekend. The island should be full to capacity and this festival is planned to take place in my opinion and others at the wrong time in the wrong place.

I'm sure you are aware that we will be celebrating in 2012/2013 the Diamond Jubilee of H.M. Queen Elizabeth 11. In Shanklin on June 3rd the Mayor of Shanklin will unveil a plaque on the Clock Tower on the esplanade to commemorate the celebrations.

I have listed all organizations where I serve island and local residents on my Council Webpage.

David Williams
May 2012