

Joint Committee of the Relevant Councils

Appointment of a member to the Lancashire Police Authority

Statement from County Councillor Clive Grunshaw

I have been an elected County Councillor since 1999 in the Fleetwood East Division (formerly Fleetwood Marine).

Fleetwood East is an area of high deprivation - with many of the problems associated with this. Hopefully the wide experience I have gained over the years of dealing with their problems will have made an improvement to their quality of life.

On Lancashire County Council I have served on most of the committees over the years. I have also held the responsibility as the Cabinet Member for Children and Young People and as the Cabinet Member for the Environment. I am presently the Chair of the Education Scrutiny Committee and Labour's spokesperson for Education and Children & Young People.

I am also presently the leader of the Labour Group on Wyre Borough Council.

I am now at the end of my second spell on Lancashire Police Authority and the expectation and involvement of the members has grown immeasurably over the years. The interest in this role has also grown in equal measure. The immense dedication and expertise that the other members of Lancashire Police Authority have shown has never failed to impress me. It is through their commitment that Lancashire Police have managed to achieve such high levels of excellence in their service and protection of Lancashire's residents.

On Lancashire Police Authority I am the presently the Chair of Resources and also serve on a number of other committees.

Although the future for Lancashire Police Authority looks uncertain (meant ironically!) I would like to play my part in their final year and ensure that there is a smooth passage from the excellent regime that we have at present to the one that follows. The residents of Lancashire deserve an excellent standard of policing and I want to play my small part in the continuation of this service and in particular promote diversity within the force and police authority.

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CC Clive Grunshaw

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