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Parish or Urban areas within the Division: **Aldeby, Broome, Burgh St Peter with Wheatacre, Denton, Ditchingham, Earsham, Ellingham, Geldeston, Gillingham, Haddiscoe, Hales, Heckingham, Hedenham, Kirby Cane, Norton Subcourse, Raveningham, Stockton, Thurlton, Thwaite St Mary, Toft Monks, Topcroft, Wortwell, Alburgh**

My year as Chairman of Norfolk County Council

My challenge was to help inspire Norfolk women of all ages, now, tomorrow and the day after. My greatest wish is for all women to believe in themselves and to strive for greater things in life not just for themselves but for others too. In order to highlight this idea, we launched the first Norfolk Womens Charter on Norfolk Day last year and throughout the year have attended events where we saw women in charge of large organisations, women who flew Tornados, repaired fighter planes, were bricklayers and plumbers and 3 very impressive local women who were High Court Judges. All had the CAN DO attitude and we helped promote this in local schools.

We also attended many ceremonies commemorating 100 years following the end of WW1, 100s since the foundation of RAF and 100 years since women got the vote. We also were there to see and hear the last Tornado to be flown from our base at RAF Marham

Back to being a simple County Councillor now

But asked to be the Chairman of Health overview and Scrutiny panel. Investigate any issues within the health Service in Norfolk and scrutinise their work

Back to Cabinet and Scrutiny Governance at NCC as prior 2013

Committee system failed to deal with important decisions fast enough and therefore a return to the same system as adopted by National Government system and District councils

Voting recently mirrored the national frustration over Brexit and main parties losing seats to Independants and any other a party offering an alternative including LD

In my Division, which represents 4 Wards, we gained 2 Conservative members but lost 3 in other areas.

Highways

£12.7m road improvement schemes nearing completion

In November 2018 Norfolk received an additional £12.694m from the Government to spend on road maintenance. New concert Calvert's created and patching all over County

Hempnall Roundabout:

Work re started after delay for nesting birds. Cost £4.5 million and should be completed by late summer.

All Hallows'

Nursing Home contract has been given to Norse Care, Norfolk's largest Residential Care provider and wholly owned by County Council.

Agreement has now been reached between the trust and NorseCare Ltd. that it is the preferred provider for the transfer of the operation of All Hallows Nursing Home. Residents of the nursing home will therefore have their care maintained without disruption or a break in care.

Agreement has also been reached with Nightingale Homecare that it is the preferred provider for the transfer of All Hallows Homecare services. Clients of the homecare team will therefore have their care maintained without disturbance.

£120m investment special school places to reduce transport costs going further afield

Norfolk County Council will be investing £120m in special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) provision in the County

Examples: 3000 children in special needs and complex needs school in Norfolk

- A child in a standard foster placement = £39,000 per year
- A child in a residential placement = 150k+ per year
- A child with complex disabilities can be around £500k per year.
- A child attending a complex needs school = £48,000 per year
- A child in a Norfolk special school = £25,000 per year
- A child attending a specialist resource base = £11,000 per year
- **Typical cost of transport for a child travelling to a specialist education setting = £35,000 per year**

£13 million per year in transport alone to special school

Parish Partnerships:

We continue to offer some matched funding for Highways schemes such as Speed Activated Monitoring SAMs and other highways furniture like Gateway structures as you enter Villages. There is also a much larger sum available but competitive, and/or shared within my Division of Clavering equating to £6,000. Go online to view at Norfolk County Council website

Where the money is spent 2019-20

Our total budget for 2019-20 is £1.401bn



*Includes money set aside for interest and repayment of loans for capital projects (eg schools and roads) and pension payments