

**Watford Borough Council**

**Member Self- Assessment 2018/19**

**Meriden Ward**

**Self-Assessment of: Councillor Amanda Grimston**

**1. Year elected:**

2016

**2. Reasons for becoming a councillor:**

To help and be involved in my local community

**3. Roles in the Council:**

Licensing, Standards, Community Safety Partnership task group

**4. Membership of outside bodies:**

West Herts Golf club

**5. Training & Development undertaken (Councillor's training record is listed):**

GDPR  
Licensing  
BID Briefing

<b>6. Attendance Record:</b>
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83%
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**Your work with Constituents and in the Community.**

<b>Please tell us about the work in your ward and for the council</b>
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I have helped in many planning issues I have attended consultations and held residents meetings and will always visit residents individually if they have a particular issue they wish to raise.

I have had many meetings with Herts Highways regarding a vast array of issues.

I am currently involved closely with shop keepers regarding their transfer to new properties on the Meriden estate.

I use all lines of communication with residents, I do prefer to meet residents face to face.

I'm looking forward to my dementia champion training in October. I'm also attending training in October for my role as chair of Scrutiny I have currently attended two scrutiny groups which I really enjoy.

I am constantly meeting with Watford Community Housing (WCH) regarding the smooth running of the large regeneration project on the estate. I enjoy a good working relationship with the local housing officer at WCH and recently meeting with Paradigm housing group.

I also enjoy an excellent working relationship with our Police community support officers.

As I have only recently given up nursing I feel I have a good understanding of residents' social needs and have on a couple of occasions raised safe guarding concerns.

I really enjoy my role as local councillor, I love meeting residents and chatting with them I enjoy working with my fellow ward councillors and working together we all bring a different approach to issues and finding solutions. I do find sometimes I get frustrated with how long solutions take when it is causing such detriment of our residents. I find it difficult to properly navigate the surface pro but slowly I'm getting there.