

## A LETTER FROM YOUR DISTRICT COUNCILLOR

22<sup>nd</sup> September 2011

Dear Residents

Many of you will know that this year I have the honour to be the Chairman of the Council. This involves many responsibilities as the ambassador for the Daventry District and my duties include many official visits to voluntary groups and organisations in and around Northamptonshire.

I also attend the Civic Services of other Chairs and Mayors thus contributing to their chosen charities and helping to bind the County together.

On Sunday, 18<sup>th</sup> September, I held my own Civic Service at St. Peter's Church in Walgrave. I was delighted to have so many friends, colleagues, Parish Councillors and Civic Representatives from other Districts who took the time to help me celebrate a very special day.

I would like to record my thanks to Rev. Karen Jongman, without whose help and support, the service would not have been possible, the Royal Oak Public House who arranged the catering after the service, Mrs. Lesley Pomeroy of Holcot, who put together some stunning floral arrangements for the village hall and the many others who worked very hard to ensure the day was a success.

I am delighted to tell you that a total of £312 was raised that day for my Charity "Help for Heroes" which brings the total raised so far to £522. During the rest of the year, I am planning more informal fund raising events starting with a Quiz Night to be held at Daventry Working Mens Club. I am hopeful that similar events can be organised within the Walgrave Ward itself to give everyone the opportunity to come along and support this very worthy cause.

To end on a very positive note, many of you will also know that the small development of affordable homes in Hannington is now completed and occupied. I attended the official ceremony on the 15<sup>th</sup> September and I can tell you that they are built to an extremely high standard and the successful tenants are extremely happy with them. With the exception of one resident who hails from Walgrave, the tenants all have a Hannington connection, which is exactly what they are meant for.

Best wishes.

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