

Cllr Gayle Cook – Borough Councillor Report

As your Borough Councillor, I have focused on improving road safety by coordinating with Swindon Borough Council (SBC), the Parish, and the Swindon and Wiltshire Road Safety Partnership. I have also been an active member of the Flood Working Party, collaborating with various agencies and fellow councillors; , The investigation into the Perrys Lane culverts is set to begin very soon.

Protecting our village identity remains a priority. We have worked tirelessly on the Local Plan with the Parish to prevent over-development, as we lack the infrastructure for further housing and wish to remain a distinctive and thriving community. I want to give a special thank you to the residents who delivered letters and those who attended the April meeting—your presence made a big impact on the SBC planning .

Between Matty and I, (my political husband) we have raised over 500 cases ,we have made a good team ,unlike our other ward councillor who has raised zero cases in the last 3 years.

I have thoroughly enjoyed my last two years serving as a borough councillor. While the role brought its share of challenges, it has been an incredible learning experience and a privilege to meet so many fascinating people. My sincere thanks go to Emma, Katy, Amanda, Zoe, Thomas and not forgetting Cathy (who has recently left) for their unwavering support. Thanks also to my fellow councillors, it's been a pleasure working with you all.

Good luck everyone on May 7th!