

WATTON ANNUAL TOWN MEETING - 9th MAY 2023

DISTRICT COUNCILLOLR'S REPORT FROM KEITH GILBERT

As an opposition member I'm sure you would not expect me to be saying how wonderful Breckland Council is.

However, a lot of what goes on at Breckland we can all support. My role, along with all the other opposition members, is to try and hold the executive to account.

My main area of work over the past year has been as a member of the Planning Committee. This involves not only the meetings of the Committee, but also site visits and the reading of long reports prior to the meeting. This is an area of work I have always enjoyed and hope to continue going forward.

I have of course taken up personal cases for people, which of course I can not go in to.

Following last week's election the makeup of the new Council is

Conservative 30
Labour 12
Independent 5
Green 1
Liberal Democrat 1

Not as big a swing as I had hoped for, but the people have spoken, and that is what matters.

So the Conservatives remain in overall control with a strengthened opposition, and I am looking forward to doing my bit to hold them to account.

Feel free to contact me if there are any issues or concerns you have and which I may be able to help with. My contact details are on the Breckland website.

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