

To: Earley Town Council

From: Mayor of Earley

Subject: Mayoral Visits

Date: 18th July, 2022

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The last two months have been quite busy with Mayoral visits. I have represented Earley Town council at the following events: -

- I was asked to participate in the assembly at Aldryngton school. It was inspirational to see all the children looking lively and well and how enthusiastically they engaged in asking questions.
- I was also asked to open Hawkedon schools sports day. Even from my short time at the school, it was evident how happy the children were and how committed the staff are to the school. The sports day was very well attended by parents and very well organised.
- I also went to the launch of Torch. It was very good to hear about the valuable work that you are doing in the local communities. I was particularly impressed with how they merged three existing help hubs into one overall group.
- I was also invited to the Promise Inclusion (they are associated with MENCAP) AGM at Wokingham Town Hall. The endorsements made evident that they are clearly making a difference in people's lives. The Mayor of Wokingham, Councillor Caroline Smith, also attended as did several other councillors and local Mayors.
- I was also invited to the Aisha mosque open day. It was a very well-attended and organised event with a number of Earley Town councillors in attendance. It was particularly good to see so many families there.
- All Pakistani Women's Association (APWA) also invited me to the launch of their association in Greater Reading. APWA work to empower Pakistani women in the UK to engage with their local communities through various events they organise.
- Pakistani Achievement Award had a launch event in Reading at the Pakistani Community Centre. This is their 12th annual event. They have grown from a local London group to a UK-wide event that will be held at Wembley in August.
- There is a group of Asian families (20 in all) who have a group called Halqa Habab (Circle of Friends) based loosely on the principles of the Lions club. They carry out a number of social and charitable events. I was invited to one of their dinners to talk about the Earley Town council and what we do.

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