Hi Kate,

Thank you for your interesting letter of 18th April.

As you may know from a little research, I started my local government career as a manual worker, and maintain a great affection for that style of employment. Due to hard work, good fortune and a tenacious personality, I rose to the position of depute director and divisional manager within my last two employing authorities.

This wide experience of local government is shared by few, and as an independent, there are no set of standard views or policies which I need to hold, and my agenda will be my own.

Many of my views and some of the specific issues I support are detailed on my facebook page www.facebook.com/pages/Ron-Reid-for-Council-you-decide/361938403848040

I have no objection if you wish to distribute and share this with your members; that way we can all make up our own minds about what we wish to support,

Yours sincerely

Ron Reid

"I believe local government is about service provision. If tax is taken from a community, the service promised must be provided. It's that simple."