

Towns Fund Shipley

introducing

The Board Members



Adam Clerkin (Chair)

Carnaud Metal Box



Adam Clerkin is the current Head of Operations for CarnaudMetalbox Engineering (CMBe), a high precision engineering business based in Shipley.

He has worked at CMBe for fourteen years in a variety of roles in both engineering and operations.

A recent MBA graduate from Bradford University he is a passionate and proven leader of growth and change.

A caravan enthusiast, he is a regular visitor to the east coast with his wife and two boys.

Nav Chohan

Shipleigh College (Principal)

Cllr. Mike Connors

ShIPLEY Town Council



I am 61 years old and have lived in Shipley since 2000. I have an MBA (Masters Degree in Business Administration) from the University of Bradford in 1991.

My early career was in the IT industry with Rolls-Royce plc in Derby.

I subsequently worked as a project manager in Belgium and the Netherlands, including 6 years service with the European Patent Office in The Hague.

After taking my MBA in 1991 I have been running small businesses in the Leeds and Bradford areas in the private rented property sector. More recently I have concentrated on acting as a Managing Agent for blocks of residential flats.

I have 2 teenage children, who are being educated in the Bradford Metropolitan District.

In 2020 I was appointed as a councillor and chair for the new Shipley Town Council.

I enjoy travelling and currently walking and sightseeing around Yorkshire in my spare time.

Barry Cooper

Perkins Jewellers

Philip Davies MP

Member of Parliament



Philip graduated from Huddersfield University with an Upper Second Class Honours degree in Historical and Political Studies. Before being elected, Philip worked for Asda for 12 years, working his way up from the bottom to be a Senior Marketing Manager.

Philip was elected as Conservative Member of Parliament for Shipley in 2005 with a majority of 422 and was re-elected in 2010, 2015, 2017 and 2019 with a share of the vote of over 50%.

During his time in Parliament Philip has served on the Justice Select Committee and the Women and Equalities Select Committee, and is currently serving on the Digital, Culture, Media and Sport Select Committee. He has served on the panel of Chairs for Westminster Hall debates and the Committee stages of Bills since 2010.

Philip became the first MP to publicly call for Britain to withdraw from the EU and launched the 'Better Off Out' campaign back in April 2006. He is also the Parliamentary Spokesman for the Campaign Against Political Correctness.

Philip has twice won an award at the Spectator Parliamentary Awards and also won the Internet Telephony Services Providers' Association (ITSPA) Champion Award in 2015.

When not working Philip enjoys all sports, horse-racing in particular, and is a season ticket holder at Bradford City.

Rebecca Greenwood

West Yorkshire Local Enterprise Partnership
(LEP)

Dr. Soo Nevison

CABAD (Community Action
Bradford and District)



Born in Portsmouth, Soo spent her formative years and education destined to be a plant physiologist. During her PhD studies she realised that this wasn't her vocation and on completion she followed her other passion and went to work in the voluntary sector.

Her VCS career started in drug services, lasting some 10 years in a number of roles supporting rehabilitation of long term drug users. During this time she found her way to Yorkshire and became a mum, entering the world of infrastructure services firstly as a Trustee at Voluntary Action Leeds, then as a CEO at Voluntary Action Calderdale and then onto Community Action Bradford & District where she resides as CEO.

Soo is known for her work with the NHS locally, regionally and nationally and until recently was SRO for the Harnessing Power of Communities work programme in the West Yorkshire and Harrogate Health and Care Partnership. Soo managed the merger of three District CVSs into Community Action Bradford & District as well as championing the innovation infrastructure organisations bring to local communities. Soo was a Trustee and Treasurer at NAVCA for six years. Most recently Soo has been a local VCS leader in our COVID-19 response work and also works regionally and nationally with the Voluntary and Community Sector Emergency Partnership.

Down time was spent courtside cheering on her daughter whilst she plays basketball and now she is planning to do this from the armchair in our next season. An avid cake baker she makes a mean banana cake and is also a dab hand at sticky ginger cake.

Dominic Pix

TecnAir



Managing Director of TecnAir Manufacturing, a family business with its - HQ recently re-located to Shipley.

We are a pneumatic custom solutions provider with multiple UK owned overseas offices.

Professional goals are to manufacturer more in the UK, currently enjoying investing in a recession with further plans to expand in 2021.

Adrienne Reid

Incommunities



Adrienne joined Incommunities, Bradford's largest Social Landlord, in September 2008.

She is a member of the CIH and holds a professional housing qualification.

She has broad and significant experience of the housing sector.

As well as being a member of the senior executive team at Incommunities with shared strategic responsibility for the organisation, Adrienne has operational responsibility for the neighbourhood housing service, the customer service centre, the intensive housing management team, the older persons housing service and the income team.

Cllr. Alex Ross-Shaw

Bradford Council



Cllr Alex Ross-Shaw is the Portfolio Holder for Regeneration, Planning & Transport on Bradford Council and used to work in the private sector in the gas industry.

He provides the political and strategic direction for the Council in these areas as well as housing, homelessness and the council's estate management.

As Portfolio Holder, Alex is leading on a number of key projects for the Council including transport investments on Hard Ings in Keighley and the Shipley Canal Road corridor. He also works closely with the West Yorkshire Combined Authority and the Leeds City Region Local Enterprise Partnership.

James Skirrow

Carter Towler



A highly experienced and well regarded property management professional, James has over 20 years' experience. He held senior positions with WSB Property Consultants, CBRE and Savills prior to joining Carter Towler.

He specialises in developing and executing highly effective commercial property management strategies for national investment funds, property companies and high net worth private clients.