



# ANNUAL REPORT

## Parliamentary Engagements

- ✓ 236 written questions submitted
- ✓ 35 oral questions asked
- ✓ 10 debates spoken in

## Cases dealt with

- ✓ Opened 5,678 cases
- ✓ Closed 5,331 cases
- ✓ Received 11,020 e-mails

In the first few weeks of being elected I launched a listening initiative to see what could be done to tackle loneliness and social isolation. I held my first session in Slaithwaite. Since then I have held a session in every area of the constituency.

I later hosted a Parliamentary reception to share ideas raised.

I have become the Co-Chair of the All-Party Parliamentary Group on Tackling Loneliness and Connected Communities that will enable me to advance some of these ideas.



I attended the The Big Sing for Parkinson's, during World Parkinson's Day.

It was great to feel the positivity, energy and community feeling amongst those living with Parkinson's and their families. It was a pleasure to speak to former BBC political expert Mark Mardell about living with Parkinson's and what needs to be done for those living with Parkinson's.

This year there were two Big Sings being held in England, one in London and one in Huddersfield.

I then led a debate on Parkinson's care in Parliament to raise the issues face by those living with Parkinson's.

Over the past year, I've had the pleasure of visiting both Wooldale Wanderers A.F.C and Golcar United A.F.C, two clubs that truly embody the heart of grassroots football. From the dedication of volunteers to the passion of players and supporters, each visit highlighted the vital role these clubs play in their communities. It was inspiring to see the commitment to youth development, local engagement, and the enduring love for the game that thrives at both clubs.





Over the past year, I've had the opportunity to visit several GP practices, including Oaklands Health Centre, Colne Valley Group Practice, and Lindley Village Surgery. These visits have provided valuable insights into different approaches to patient care, operational practices, and community engagement. Each practice offered a unique perspective, contributing to a broader understanding of primary care delivery and helping to shape ideas for future improvements in healthcare services.

The dedication of the centre and staff in providing top quality care is great to see.



I spoke at the Huddersfield Unlimited Mini Conference at Huddersfield Town Stadium hosted by Huddersfield Unlimited.

I spoke of the exciting journey of transformation and growth that Huddersfield and the Colne Valley are on. With significant public and private investments, a supportive policy environment and the dedication of our local businesses and community, the future looks incredibly bright. Let us continue to work together to build a prosperous and vibrant region that we can all be proud of.



I had an insightful visit with the Holme Valley Mountain Rescue Team.

It was incredible to learn that the moors can be more hazardous than the Lake District, with mists rolling in quickly.

Their mission? "We are here for everyone." From rescuing people on the moors to assisting the ambulance service with controlled drugs, tackling moor fires, and aiding the police in rural searches, their work is vital. With 60 dedicated volunteers and 53 call-outs this year alone, they truly make a difference in our community.

A big thank you to the team for all you do, especially in supporting mental health and combating loneliness in our area.



I had the incredible opportunity to visit Marsden Mill and get an in-depth briefing on the Marsden Masterplan.

The vision they have for Marsden is truly inspiring, focusing on sustainable development, community engagement, and innovative solutions to create a vibrant future.

A huge thank you to everyone involved for sharing their insights and passion.



I had a great visit to Darkwoods Coffee, a shining star in the coffee industry. They are the only supplier of coffee to Fortnum and Mason for the past three years and also supply Harvey Nichol's own brand coffee.

During my visit, I met with Director Ian Agnew, who shared their inspiring journey and challenges.

I was told that they were the first to produce fully home compostable packaging for their coffee.

The visit highlighted their innovations, including their compostable packaging, and their prestigious Fortnum and Mason link.



In February I hosted the "Taste of Colne Valley" event, a celebration of the diverse and exceptional small businesses within the constituency in the Jubilee Room In Westminster. The event featured prominent local enterprises including J Brindon Addy Butchers, Zapato Brewing, Longley Farm, and Darkwoods Coffee.

The "Taste of Colne Valley" aimed to showcase the breadth of incredible small businesses that the Colne Valley constituency has to offer. Attendees had the opportunity to sample a variety of products, from artisanal meats and craft beers to dairy products and specialty coffees.

J Brindon Addy Butchers presented their finest cuts of meat, demonstrating their commitment to quality and tradition. Zapato Brewing delighted guests with their innovative craft beers, while Longley Farm showcased their renowned dairy products. Darkwoods Coffee provided a rich and aromatic coffee experience, reflecting their dedication to excellence.

The event was a resounding success, drawing a large crowd who were eager to explore and support their local businesses. I reiterated my commitment to advocating for small businesses and encouraged the community to continue supporting these vital enterprises.

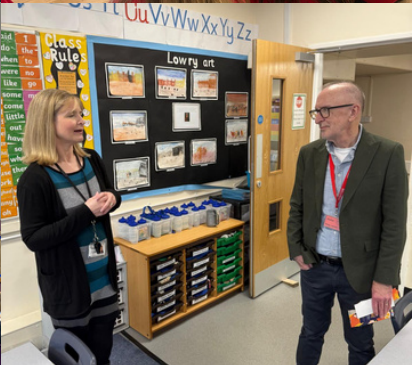


Over the past year, I've had the privilege of visiting many schools across the constituency, meeting dedicated staff, inspiring students, and seeing first-hand the incredible work happening in our classrooms.

From visiting Scapegoat Hill Junior and Infant School, Colne Valley High School, Scholes Junior & Infant School, Moorlands Primary School, Slaithwaite C of E Junior and Infant School, Hepworth Junior & Infant School and much more, these visits have been a valuable opportunity to listen to the challenges schools face and celebrate their successes.

From early years to secondary education, I've been consistently impressed by the commitment to learning, inclusion, and community. Supporting our schools remains a top priority.

I would like to say a huge thank you to all the teachers and teaching assistants in the constituency who do a great job in ensuring that all our children receive an excellent education.





We are so lucky to have so many diverse festivals in our community to attend and enjoy.

Over the past year, I've had the pleasure of attending some of our community's most vibrant festivals — from the music and spirit of the Holmfirth Festival of Folk, to the charm of the Golcar Lily Festival, the unity of the Holmfirth Beacon Lighting Ceremony, the flavours of the Holmfirth Food and Drink Festival, and the creativity at Scapegoat Hill's Easter Scarecrow Festival.

I am proud to celebrate our local culture!



I had the opportunity to tour the Neiley Sewage and Treatment Works.

There I met the team and learned about their essential work in maintaining water quality and environmental health.

During the visit I was able to test the water for ammonia in the River Holme, where we recorded an impressive 0.05 against the permitted level of 3.0!

I will continue to hold Yorkshire Water to account in order that they further protect our waterways, fix leaks and improve customer service.



**I run regular surgeries throughout the constituency, and these can be booked by calling the constituency office on 01484 598600 or emailing me on [paul.davies.mp@parliament.uk](mailto:paul.davies.mp@parliament.uk).**



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