

Diss

Local Issues raised:

- A plan is needed for the land between The Mere and the River Waveney to include community uses for the benefit of the whole area
- Sustainable long term use needs to be identified for the old infant school site
- The future development, or preservation, of Parish Fields



Diss Steering Group representatives:

Simon Olander

I've lived in Diss all my life, and work for Royal Mail delivering to Diss and neighbouring villages. I joined Diss Town Council as a Councillor in 2004 as I wanted to shape the place where I live. Through my council role I was and am able to endeavour to make our town a better place to live. Over time Diss has changed particularly with regard to new development and infrastructure. In my time on the Town Council I have been Chair of the Planning & Highways Committee, now the Infrastructure Committee. I have sat on various committees/groups for different projects in the town. My proudest moment however was being elected first Deputy in 2006 but then Town Mayor a year later, which I was for two years and the youngest Mayor at 36 years old in Diss's history. In 2019 I was elected Council Leader. I have been passionate about Diss and the surrounding villages for some time and decided to join the Diss and District Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group in 2018.

My aim is for Diss and the villages to grow in a reasonable manner and receive good quality development in the right places. Only by the parishes working together I believe we can achieve this.



Eric Taylor

I moved with my family to Diss from Manchester in 1983. Since retiring in 2013, I followed my interests in how the town was changing particularly with regard to new development and

infrastructure. Initially, this was with the local resident's association but for the last two and a half years with the Town Council where I chair the Planning Committee.

I joined the steering group two years ago because of my passion to see Diss grow in a structured way with the right amount of development in the right place. I also wanted to influence the need for better infrastructure to cater for the growth in Diss.

