

# Cllr Garth Harkness – Saddleworth North Ward

## My Ward priorities

*Better Healthcare facilities*

*Protecting our green spaces*

*Improve road safety and 20 MHP Zones*

*Defending what makes Saddleworth special*

**Borough map and photograph (supplied by  
Constitutional Services)**

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## Work in the community

*20 MPH speed and safety schemes proposed for Diggle and outside schools*

*20 MPH zones in Dobcross and Delph to become permanent*

*20 is plenty motion*

*Motion on challenging raw sewage discharge*

*Motion to get the basics right- drainage clearing maintenance, parks, schools and planning*

*Supported the LIF application for Dobcross Park*

*Raising issues of speed concerns and pushing for action*

*Campaigned to save our grit bins*

*Proposed a motion on protecting private renters*

*Meeting with health officials to improve local health provisions and continuing to call for more health services locally*

*Member of Oldham Council planning committee and shadow member for housing and planning:*

*-opposed the building on green space in Diggle*

*-supported the redevelopment of the Bailey mill site*

*-pushed for scrutiny on HMO*

*Pushing for affordable housing and for developers to do the right thing in the planning process*

*Pushing for brownfield first and to protect our greenbelt*

*Contributed to the consultation in Oldham Local Plan*

*Reporting potholes and pushing for more resurfacing*

*Reporting damage to street lights and street signs and the highway*

*Reporting blocked grids and flooding issues*

*Submitted to Safer roads Greater Manchester and TfGM concerns over speeding and the need for more speed cameras and speed checks*

*Discussed with Police community speed watch initiatives*

*Campaigned to make Greenfield Station accessible*

*Casework on a variety of issues*

*Listening to and helping residents*

*Proposed environmental tidy up works*

*Reporting fly tipping issues*

*Supporting our band contests*

*Full council meetings*

*Contributed to the district priorities*

## **Ward Budget Spend**

Christmas Event lighting and upkeep

Christmas Trees

Summer and Winter Planting

Dobcross Whit Walks

Diggle Blues Festival

Diggle Community Environmental works

Speed Surveys

Scouthead and Austerlands community association- Dawson's Fields

Light Up Denshaw

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### **Surgeries**

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