Alderman Nomination: Anthony Negus

October 2021

Elected in 2009, served 12 years as Councillor for Cotham ward. Reelected in 2013 and 2016.

Anthony has held many key positions on Bristol City Council including Cabinet Member, Scrutiny Commission Chair and representative on the Avon and Somerset Police Authority.

In 2009-10 he was Avon & Somerset Police Authority member and Assistant Exec member where he helped deliver the crucial Neighbourhood Partnership system of local democracy.

He served on the cabinet of Bristol City Council from 2010-2012 as Executive Member for Regeneration, Housing and Property.

During this time he played a major role in the delivery of the successful award for Bristol of European Green Capital, with particular involvement in legacy project outcomes. Some notable achievements as a cabinet member includes helping deliver:

The first special licensing area in the city against almost total opposition. The Stapleton Road area is much improved as a result and the police, who initially did not support this, have since pressed for more areas.

Re-organised the Property/major projects departments

Commissioning and building the first new council houses in Bristol for 30 years Produced the Bristol Tree Standard and drove improvements in our planning team to make Bristol more open for business and better development.

Anthony led the Liberal Democrat group, 2018-19, and was deputy leader for several years.

Anthony Negus served on many council committees including: Planning, Regeneration, Communities Scrutiny Committees, and Audit Committee as well as numerous task and finish groups.

Chaired Communities/Neighbourhoods Scrutiny Commission for several years

Chair of the Bristol Buildings Preservation Trust and BCC Heritage Champion for many years.

Fought for openness and greater effectiveness of the Scrutiny process throughout his 12 years service and won some significant improvements to long-standing practices.

A very active and engaged councillor, using the councils processes, he has called in many executive decisions to ensure accountability and better decision making, was a regular attendee asking questions and making statements to Cabinet and has always believed in telling truth to power. A councillor with an exceptional work rate and dedication that was commended by many members.

In his ward Anthony Negus was a dedicated local ward councillor. Regularly calling on residents, attending many resident group meetings and taking up 100s of issues on behalf of his local residents.