

Councillor Chris Jones

Chris joined the Council in October 2011 and subsequently elected in May 2014 and 2018.

I have lived in Euxton for getting on for 40 years; for most of that time work took me out of the area – Manchester, Birmingham, and finally as far away as Essex. Retirement from working on communications systems designs, operations and maintenance was something of a relief if only on the basis that the need for daily or weekly commuting became completely unnecessary.

Retirement has given me the opportunity to develop a greater interest in the area in which I live – Euxton and its surroundings. That greater interest led me to joining Euxton Parish Council just over 6 years ago; working with others to make sure that Euxton residents have the best environment in which to live that together we can reasonably achieve is rewarding and on occasions a little challenging. It is by working through those challenges that the best that can be achieved *is* achieved.

Perhaps the greatest challenge that faces Euxton is the ever growing demand for new housing and I welcome the opportunity to work with other Councillors in the hope of minimising any adverse impact on Euxton as a village with its own identity and character. I am particularly concerned about the increase in traffic in and through the village, along with the parking problems that that traffic often generates. It is a source of considerable frustration to me that there seems to be little that we can do to slow the trend or mitigate the impact that this traffic has.

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