## Newbiggin by the Sea Place Programme Board Member Pen Portrait



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I have been in local politics since 1980 and have represented both North Seaton and Newbiggin West for some 36 years over which time there has been many changes and initiatives improving the town. Starting with Wansbeck Councils "Newbiggin Life programme" to the "Go find your heritage" and latterly "the Town Team Portus Pilot scheme" all which have given me the experience and vison to help Newbiggin succeed.

Currently I am a director of the Spital Estate community Association which works out of the Elizabethan Hall and provides opportunity for all to be creative. I am also a director of Newbiggin Community Ventures an independent company that has worked with Northumberland County council to develop strategies, plans, ideas and opportunities to bring investment into the town.

I have a passion for football and have been involved with AFC Newbiggin for many years both at junior and senior level and have been involved with the club and the sports centre in securing better facilities and a more sustainable future for total club.

I look forward to the challenge that this new programme will bring.