



Cllr Abdul Jabbar

Place of Residence: **Oldham**

Sector: **Politics**

Cllr Abdul Jabbar is the former Mayor of Borough Council of Oldham Metropolitan in Greater Manchester. The Labour Councillor was the youngest Mayor of Oldham Council in its thirty year history and was the first Bangladeshi Mayor in the North-West of England. Cllr Jabbar was first elected as Councillor in 1994 and is still representing Coldhurst to this day.

Cllr Jabbar completed his studies after arriving in the UK in 1973. He graduated with an M.Sc on Housing Management from the University of Salford which led to his first job working as a Housing Manager for a local organisation. Cllr Abdul Jabbar is also the Vice

Chairman of the Labour Party in Oldham and Royton election area. Whilst carrying out his duties as Councillor, Abdul Jabbar is also the Vice Chairman for both Oldham College Governing Body and Grange Secondary School. He is also a prominent member of the Council on Education and Efficiency Affairs in Greater Manchester and previously Cllr Jabbar served as Chairman of the committee on finance and resources affairs in Oldham Council.

The Labour Councillor is very active within the Bangladeshi Community in Oldham having played a key role behind the development of Shaheed Minar which a

monument paying homage to Bengali students who laid down their lives in 1952 to establish Bengali as one of the state languages of Pakistan. In 2000, Cllr Jabbar also worked extremely hard behind creation of Shapla Circle (Chattar) in Oldham.

Cllr Abdul Jabbar is married to Imrana Begum and have been blessed with a son and daughter. The Bangladeshi Community are tremendously honoured by Cllr Jabbar's achievements in Local government and wish his every success in the future. The vibrant Bangladeshi community in Oldham are exceptionally fortunate of having a public servant of Cllr Jabbar calibre representing them.