

West of Lancs CRP - Chair's Annual Report

Marion thanked the group for electing her again. She explained that it was such a privilege to chair this group and how much of a pleasure to work with all partners. She also noted particularly the sterling work and commitment of Denis O'Connell and the assistance of the wider stakeholders, including those on the services between Southport, Manchester and Wigan. She also thanked Richard Watts personally for being a stable force and rock, and the assistance of his staff at CRL.

Mario also spoke about the Covid-19 challenges and thanked all partners for their support during this period. Though tough for the train operators and partners, she explained how the pandemic had shone a light on the versatility of community rail and it's commitment to diversify and ability to adapt to change.

Marion Atkinson April 2021