## Long Term Plans for Towns Board Member Biography Councillor Shaukat Ali, Dudley Councillor – St Thomas's Ward

Shaukat has served as a Councillor for St Thomas's Ward for 25 years, bringing over three decades of experience across the health, local authority, and voluntary sectors. Currently the Shadow Cabinet Member for Finance and a Non-Executive Director at a Mental Health NHS Trust, he is passionate about driving the regeneration of Dudley and promoting its leisure, culture, and heritage. He has previously been Deputy Leader of the Council and has held several key Cabinet positions, including regeneration and economic development, social services, housing, and finance. His extensive experience reflects a deep commitment to public service and community development.