Navin Shah CBE



An architect by profession, Navin came to the UK as a University College London scholar in 1973. He worked as an Architect and Development Planner and joined the Labour party after becoming involved with Community Action groups in Brent and Harrow.

Navin was elected as a Harrow Councillor in 1994 representing Kenton East for 20 years and served as the Leader of Harrow Council for 2 years. Representing the constituency of Brent and Harrow, Navin served as the London Assembly Member for 13 years. He was the Chair of the London Assembly in 2020-21. During his service on the London Assembly Navin chaired a number of high-profile committees such as Planning, Regeneration, Transport, Health & Public Services and Audit Committees and was the Deputy Chair of the London Fire Emergency Planning Authority (LFEPA) for 8 years.

Since standing down from the London Assembly Navin is continuing his work as a grassroots campaigner tackling issues such as Community Cohesion, Disability, Access, Planning & Regeneration and Fire Safety. Navin works closely with voluntary organisations and serves on a local governing body as a community representative.

Navin is recipient of the CBE (Commander of British Empire) for his political and community service.

Navin is a Harrow resident. Rekha Shah, his wife, is a Past Mayor of Harrow and his daughter Aneka Shah-Levy is a Harrow Councillor. In his spare time, Navin enjoys art, music, travel and photography.