ANNUAL REPORT

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ELECTORAL WARD: St. Martins

PARTY: Plaid Cymru

PROFILE: I have had the privilege of representing the residents of St Martins Ward since 1999 and the residents of Caerffili Town since 1995 and was proud to be elected Mayor of Caerphilly Town Council for 2014/15.

COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Council Policy and Resources Scrutiny Committee Planning Committee Crime and Disorder Scrutiny Committee Audit Committee Appointments Committee

SUBCOMMITTEES/WORKING PARTIES/PANELS

Caerphilly Town Centre Management Group Pensions/Compensation Committee

OUTSIDE BODIES AND ASSOCIATIONS

Caerffili Town Council (Mayor for 2014/15) Twyn Community Centre Chairperson Tommy Cooper Society St Johns Ambulance Caerffili Branch

SCHOOL GOVERNING BODY

Cwrt Rawlin Primary School Chair of Governors Ysgol Gymraeg Caerffili Chair of Governors

ATTENDANCE

From May 2014 to May 2015 my attendance at Council meetings was as follows:

Meeting	No. Attended	<u>No. Held</u>
Council	10	12
Crime and Disorder	1	2
Policy and Resources	6	12
Planning	9	13
Audit	0	4
Pensions Compensation Committee	1	3

TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT

I undertook the following training and development seminars and courses: -

Caerphilly Town Centre Management Group (Annual) Planning (Mandatory) Information Governance (Mandatory) Common Housing Register (Seminar) Collection Services (Seminar) Planning (Enforcement)

CONSTITUENCY ACTIVITY

During the year my time as a Councillor has been divided into the meetings as above but also added to: -

Town Council meetings monthly and additional meetings to organise the Fireworks display, Christmas Lights event and supply the public address system for Remembrance Sunday. As Mayor for the Town Council I attended number of events throughout the year.

Helped co-ordinate the very successful Caerffili Flower Festival for 2015.

Neighbourhood Watch meetings and set up 'No Cold Calling Zones' in the ward. Planning site visits to various parts of the borough.

Governing body meetings at least two each term (for each school) together with additional finance, health and safety and buildings maintenance visits and regular ad hock meetings with the Head Teachers.

Management meetings (monthly) for the Twyn Community Centre.

PACT/Your Voice (Police and Communities Together) meetings and police surgeries. Reported highway potholes and requested a number of rubbish and dog fouling bins.

Reported number of cleansing problems as well as cutting back of overgrown hedgerows, with a team of volunteers cleared pond weed from the balancing lake.

I also acted as a Responsible Individual on the after school and holiday club, Clwb Cwrt Rawlin" this is a club run separately from the school and is registered through CSSIW.