

# ANNUAL REPORT

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**ELECTORAL WARD:** Darren Valley

**PARTY:** Labour

**PROFILE:** Cabinet Member for Performance & Asset Management

## **COUNCIL COMMITTEES**

Council  
Cabinet

## **SUBCOMMITTEES/WORKING PARTIES/PANELS**

Corporate Health and Safety Committee  
Education Achievement Services Board (EAS)  
Joint Consultative Committee

## **OUTSIDE BODIES AND ASSOCIATIONS**

Catalogue Supplies Joint Committee  
Ffos-y-Fran Liaison Group  
Vice Chair Fochriw and Pentwyn Community Partnership  
Deri Regeneration Committee Member and Trustee  
Deri History Society

## **SCHOOL GOVERNING BODY**

Deri Primary School  
Fochriw Primary School

## **ATTENDANCE**

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

<u>Meeting</u>	<u>No. Attended</u>	<u>No. Held</u>
Council	12	12
Cabinet	26	26
Corporate Health and Safety Committee	1	3
Joint Consultative Committee	4	4

## **TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT**

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

Corporate Health and Safety Committee (Annual)  
Pensions Compensation Committee (Mandatory)  
Medium Term Financial Plan (x2) (Seminar)  
NATO Summit (Seminar)  
Caerphilly Website Re-launch (Seminar)  
Welsh Index of Multiple Deprivation (Seminar)  
Caerphilly Collection Services (Seminar)  
Performance Objectives  
Corporate Health and Safety (Annual)

## **CABINET MEMBER ACTIVITY**

As Cabinet Member for Performance and Asset Management, I acted as the Cabinet expert in these areas, to ensure that the views and needs of the service are built into the Council's policy framework and the decision making process. I attended 6 Scrutiny meetings where I regularly updated other Members about my key portfolio activities.

These updates included the closure of Pontllanfraith House, as part of the Council's Land and Buildings Asset Rationalisation Programme, the progress and importance in the achievement of the Welsh Quality Housing Standard (WHQS) programme of works.

I have also been involved in a number of decisions that related to sale of the land or properties owned by the Council and in monitoring the performance of the Council in all areas.

I also represented the Council and numerous events and meetings across the County Borough including the Challenge and Review Event, General Dynamics, Education Achievement Services Board, County Borough Supplies Joint Committee, One Beat Event, Caerphilly Homes Awards and CLAW.

## **CONSTITUENCY ACTIVITY**

### Groesfaen Terrace

Worked with the Groesfaen Residents Association regarding concerns in the village.

### Deri

Working with various organisations with the village including Deri Rugby Football Club, Deri Regeneration Group (Community Centre), Deri Historical Society, Deri Allotment Society, Deri and Groesfen Over 55 Club.

Working with Highways and Police over 7.5 tonne limit. Working with Police over enforcement of 20mph limit in Bailey Street, Deri.

#### Parc Cwm Darran

Worked in conjunction with the Park Cwm Darran Warden with regard to various works to enhance the park. I can confirm that outside funding for "Bands in the Park" at the Park has been obtained. Hopefully this can be adopted by the Community Council and will become a regular summer feature.

#### Fochriw

Worked with various groups throughout the village including Fochriw Residents Group, Fochriw Football Club, Fochriw Allotments Society, Groundwork, GAVO and Fochriw Wheelers. Worked with History Group regarding memorial to miners and soldiers. Worked with residents/groups to ensure that Fochriw School remains open.

Brook Row, Fochriw included in highways programme for tarmacadam.

There are many individual requests from residents and visits required in order to sort out their issues and concerns. I work constantly to balance the demands of representing my constituency and my portfolio as Cabinet Member for Performance and Asset Management, there are constant e-mails requiring my attention.