

ANNUAL REPORT

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ELECTORAL WARD: Newbridge

PARTY: Labour

COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Council
Education for Life Scrutiny Committee
Voluntary Sector Liaison Committee

SUBCOMMITTEES/WORKING PARTIES/PANELS

Monmouthshire and Brecon Canal - Crumlin Arm Working Group

OUTSIDE BODIES AND ASSOCIATIONS

SCHOOL GOVERNING BODY

Tynwydd Primary
Pentwynmawr Primary

ATTENDANCE

From May 2015 to May 2016 my attendance at Council meetings was as follows:

<u>Meeting</u>	<u>No. Attended</u>	<u>No. Held</u>
Council	8	12
Education for Life	5	8

Voluntary Sector Liaison Committee	1	4
Monmouthshire and Brecon Canal	0	3

TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT

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

Voluntary Sector Liaison Committee (Annual)

Medium Term Financial Plan (Seminar x 2)

Senior Councillor Development Programme (2 Modules)

Education for Life Scrutiny (6 Monthly Update)

Information Governance (Mandatory)

CONSTITUENCY ACTIVITY

As the Coffee Mornings previously held were not well attended I now contact residents via Facebook, email, telephone or in person.

Our ward Facebook page is running well.

I continued to respond to residents concerns with regard to community, environment and housing issues and worked hard to achieve successful outcomes for individuals as well as the ward as a whole.

I represented residents at Planning Committee and requested site visits in order to highlight the concerns raised. I also raised concerns in relation to the Deposit LDP as part of the consultation process.

We secured the lease for the Panside Tenants and Residents Association and was successful in obtaining a technical assistant grant for the Welfare Ground.