ANNUAL REPORT

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ELECTORAL WARD: Penyrheol

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PROFILE

I am a Community Councillor for the Penyrheol, Trecenydd and Energlyn Ward where I sit on the Finance, Newsletter and Play scheme Sub Committee.

I am also a Member of Penyrheol Community Centre Management Committee

COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Council

Education for Life Scrutiny Committee Democratic Services Committee Pensions Compensation Committee Standards Committee

SUBCOMMITTEES/WORKING PARTIES/PANELS

Standing Advisory Council on Religious Education

OUTSIDE BODIES AND ASSOCIATIONS - None

SCHOOL GOVERNING BODY:

I am Chairman of Hendre Junior School Governing Body and a member of Cwm Ifor Primary School Governing Body.

ATTENDANCE

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

Meeting	No. Attended	No. Held
Caerphilly SACRE	2	3
Council	8	12
Democratic Services Committee	3	4
Education for Life Scrutiny	4	8
Pensions Compensation Committee	7	7

TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT

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

Medium Term Financial Plan (Seminar) Health and Wellbeing Act (Seminar) Democratic Services Committee (Annual) Education for Life (Annual)

CONSTITUENCY ACTIVITY

I do not hold surgeries my constituents prefer to contact me by telephone and email.

The LDP has increased the number of phone calls and emails I receive. In most cases residents want to know 'why build on greenfield sites and not brownfield sites?'

The road improvements at the Cedar Tree roundabout and St Cenydd school roundabout has continued to cause residents considerable concern. I and my colleagues have met with officers to progress the joint Welsh Government and Caerffili County Borough Council venture to improve traffic movement, and to make it safer for our residents to walk and cycle.

Attendance at many site visits to voice resident's concerns regarding proposed planning at Hendredenny Park

Regular leaflet drops

Meeting with officers regarding proposed development within our ward.

Meeting with officers to upgrade and improve our ward – Highway issues and street scene improvements.

Regular meeting with Governing body of Cwm Ifor and Hendre Junior schools

Regular meetings with the Police

Many meetings with ward colleagues and the Aneruin Bevan Health Board with regard to a fit for purpose surgery at Penyrheol.