

ANNUAL REPORT

MAY 2016 - MAY 2017



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ELECTORAL WARD: Bargoed

PARTY: Labour

PROFILE:

In 2016-17 I was very proud to be elected the Mayor for Caerphilly County Borough Council and I am also Chair of the Cartref Community Hall (Old Age Pensioners Hall)

COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Council

Democratic Services Committee

Regeneration and Environment Scrutiny Committee

Licensing Committee – until February 2017

Taxi and General Committee – from February 2017

Taxi and General Sub Committee – form February 2017

Licensing and Gambling Committee – from February 2017

Licensing and Gambling Sub Committee – from February 2017

SUBCOMMITTEES/WORKING PARTIES/PANELS

Bargoed Town Centre Management Group

ATTENDANCE

From May 2016 to May 2017 my attendance at Council meetings was as follows:

<u>Meeting</u>	<u>No. Attended</u>	<u>No. Held</u>
Bargoed Town Centre Management Group	1	2
Council	9	10
Democratic Services Committee	0	4
Licensing Committee	1	7
Licensing Sub Committee (Taxi and General)	1	5
Regeneration and Environment Scrutiny	2	8
Taxi and General Committee Sub Committee	2	3

TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT

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

Medium Term Financial Plan (Seminar)
Bargoed Town Centre Management Group (Annual)
Licensing Hearings (Recommended)
Finance (Recommended)
Treasure Management (Seminar)

CIVIC OFFICE DUTIES

Due to my mayoral duties I was not able to attend as many of my committee meetings as I would normally do.

I was very proud to have been elected Mayor last year and during 2016/17 I attended 161 different engagements representing the people and county borough of Caerphilly.

Some of those events included the presentations of flowers to residents of Caerphilly celebrating Diamond or Golden Wedding Anniversaries and 100th Birthdays. The rededication of the War Memorial at Senghenydd, Civic Services, Concert in aid of Barnados a Ballroom Dance Event in aid of Velindre Hospital, Armed Forces Day, the opening of the Art and Technology Department at Heolddu Comprehensive School. I was also extremely proud to attend the Nation Service of Commemoration for the Battle of the Somme at Llandaff Cathedral and the Looked After Children's Awards Evening. I attended the Big Carers Tea Break Event and Brave the Shave charity event. The celebration of Welsh Achievements at the Olympics' and Paralympics' at the Senedd which was a fantastic evening of pride and celebration. On a more sombre note I was very proud to represent Caerphilly at the Aberfan Memorial Service.

I attended the Army Engagements Team Presentation, rededication of the Bells and Armed Forces Service in Blackwood and presented the Summer Reading Scheme awards. I also attended the Talk Training Awards and the Annual Prize Giving at Newbridge Comprehensive School. December was a busy month with Carol Concerts, Christmas Fayres and Community Events including the presentation of the award to the designer of this years Christmas Card at Park Primary School.

I was proud to attend the Pride in Your Place Awards at Blackwood Miners Institute, the BMI also hosted the Holocaust Memorial Day Event in January 2017.

February 2017 saw the visit of HRH Duchess of Cambridge to the County Borough which was a great treat. My final two months as Mayor saw me attending the Senses Oscars Awards Evening, the Young Promoters Project and the final of the Young Enterprise awards.

Its been a very busy but rewarding year and I have been very fortunately and proud to have your Mayor last year.

CONSTITUENCY ACTIVITY

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

Along with a busy civic office scheduled I continued to represent my ward constituents, attended regular meetings with housing officers, police, community safety wardens and made referrals to appropriate officers and departments regarding any issues within my ward. I also attended meetings at Cartref Community Hall where I continued to support this valuable community facility.