

ANNUAL REPORT

MAY 2016 - MAY 2017



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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 (Town Council).

COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Council
Policy and Resources Scrutiny Committee
Planning Committee
Partnerships Scrutiny Committee
Pensions Compensation Committee

SUBCOMMITTEES/WORKING PARTIES/PANELS

Caerphilly Town Centre Management Group

OUTSIDE BODIES AND ASSOCIATIONS

Caerffili Town Council
Twyn Community Centre Chairperson

SCHOOL GOVERNING BODY

Cwrt Rawlin Primary School Chair of Governors

Ysgol Gymraeg Caerffili Chair of Governors

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>
Caerphilly Town Centre Management Group	2	2
Council	6	10
Partnerships Scrutiny Committee	0	2
Pensions Compensation Committee	2	3
Policy and Resources	3	8
Planning	10	11

TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT

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

Developments of National Significance (Recommended)

Information Governance (Mandatory)

Treasury Management (Seminar)

CONSTITUENCY ACTIVITY

During the year my time as a Councillor has been divided into the meetings stated above but I also attended: -

Monthly Town Council meeting and continued to assist with the organisation of the Fireworks Display and Christmas Lights events, I also help to co-ordinate the Caerffili Flower Festival for 2017.

Set up PA systems for significant events such as Remembrance Sunday and the schools remembrance held on the Friday immediately before at Caerphilly Cenotaph.

Neighbourhood Watch meetings and I am pleased to say that the 'No Cold Calling Zones' we worked to establish last year have now been fully implement.

As a School Governor I attended at least two meetings each term (for each school) together with additional meetings for staff appointments, finance and health and safety, buildings maintenance visits, school learning walks.

Monthly Management meetings for the Twyn Community Centre as well as taking a keen interest in the refurbishment programme that older buildings inevitably need.

Your Voice (Police and Communities Together) meetings and police surgeries.

Taken part in the Keep Wales Tidy Initiative by litter picking with a team of volunteers and together we also continue to keep a vigil to clear pond weed from the balancing lake at Castle View.

Take an active role is assisting the Castle View Community Group establish an annual events programme to include wild flower/bulb/tree planting.

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

Last year I made representation on behalf of the residents in my ward in opposition to the inclusion of the Nant y Calch/ NESS site within the Deposit LDP.