

# ANNUAL REPORT

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## COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Council

Education for Life Scrutiny Committee (from **July 2016**)

Regeneration and Environment Scrutiny Committee (from **May 2016**)

## SUBCOMMITTEES/WORKING PARTIES/PANELS

N/A

## OUTSIDE BODIES AND ASSOCIATIONS

Lower Sirhowy Communities partnership

Lower Sirhowy Residents Group

## SCHOOL GOVERNING BODY

Ysgol Gyfyn Cwm Rhymni

Ynysddu Primary school

## 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>
Council	8	10
Education for Life	4	5
Regeneration and Environment	6	7

## TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT

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

Developments of National Significance  
Regenerations and Environment Scrutiny (Update Training)  
Treasury Management (Seminar)  
Corporate Safeguarding (Seminar)  
City Deal (Seminar)  
Launch of the Corporate Parenting Handbook (Seminar)  
Medium Term Financial Plan (Seminar)  
Regeneration and Environment Scrutiny (Annual Training)  
Finance  
Active Travel Act- attended consultation meeting

## CONSTITUENCY ACTIVITY

**Lower Sirhowy Communities Partnership** – regularly attended meetings and contributed to several actions (Sirhowy river clean up, HGV watch at Nine Mile Point with Gwent Police, facilitated in the setting up two half term play scheme activities in the valley).

**Lower Sirhowy Residents Group** - attended regular meetings around the planned fuel recycling plant at Nine Mile point – as a key member being involved in protests, petitions, liaison with the media and holding public meetings keeping residents informed on the current position-ongoing.

**Police and Councillor Surgeries** - Wattsville and Cwmfelinfach combined with a leaflet drop raising awareness of Bonfire night safety

**Air Quality Updates** - providing residents with CCBC tube readings for set periods of time plus an update on the newly installed air quality machine in Wattsville.

**Community Flood Group** - attended annual meeting with NRW about best practise

**Ty Llwyd Quarry** - attended annual meeting with NRW to discuss samples taken from site and water catchment survey.

**NRW-** attended several meetings to discuss tree felling arrangements to remove the diseased tree stock, leaflet distribution and held public meetings to approve best route to use.

### **General Activity**

- Attended local Nativity and Carol concerts at Ynysddu Primary School, Sardis Chapel, Bethel Chapel and St. Theodore church.
- Cwmfelinfach Community Hall – concerts and other events such as coffee mornings.
- Attended the Haven on the Hill – for the installation of the community Defibrillator.
- Casework – both local and general household issues.