

# ANNUAL REPORT

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**ELECTORAL WARD:** Bedwas, Trethomas and Machen

**PARTY:** Labour

## **PROFILE:**

Cabinet Member for Homes and Places. I was elected to represent the residents of Bedwas, Trethomas and Machen in September 2015. I have lived and worked in the ward for 11 years.

## **COUNCIL COMMITTEES**

Council  
Cabinet  
Cabinet as Trustees for Blackwood Miners Institute

## **SUBCOMMITTEES/WORKING PARTIES/PANELS**

Caerphilly Homes Task Group  
Joint Consultative Committee

## **OUTSIDE BODIES AND ASSOCIATIONS**

Association of Public Services Excellence (formerly ADLO) – Welsh Regional Committee  
Care and Repair – Caerphilly  
Consortium of Local Authorities Wales (CLAW)  
Homeless Person Champion  
Joint Council for Wales

## **SCHOOL GOVERNING BODY**

I am a Governor on Graig y Rhacca Primary & Nursery School

I am a Governor on Bedwas High School

## **ATTENDANCE**

From May 2017 to May 2018 my attendance at Council meetings was as follows:

<u>Meeting</u>	<u>No. Attended</u>	<u>No. Held</u>
Council	12	13
Cabinet	17	18
Cabinet as Trustees for BMI	2	2
Caerphilly Homes Task Group	5	6
Joint Consultative Committee	3	3

## **TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT**

I undertook the following training and development seminars and courses:

Induction 2017

Data Protection

Information Governance Training (Mandatory)

21st Century Schools (Seminar)

Illegal Money Lending

Medium Term Financial Plan (Seminar) (20.09.2017)

Treasury Management

Affordable Housing and The LPD

Planning Training (Recommended)

Planning 5 year supply

VAWDASV E-Training

## **CABINET MEMBER ACTIVITY**

As Cabinet Member for Housing and Places, I acted as the Cabinet expert in these areas, to ensure that the views and needs of the service are built into the Council's policy framework and the decision making process. I attended Scrutiny meetings where I regularly updated other Members about my key portfolio activities.

Along with my regularly scheduled committee, cabinet and council meetings during 2017/18 I also attended the following events and meetings:-

Tenant WHQS Visit, Trethomas Bluebirds Presentation Evening, Caerphilly Homes Project Board, Standing Conference, County Armed Forces Day, Caerphilly Basin Strategy – Member and Community Council Workshop Meeting, Launch of the End Youth Homelessness Cymru Campaign, Affordable Housing Road Trip, Visit by the Independent

Remuneration Panel for Wales, EAS Company Board Meeting, Introductory Session for Members of ARAC, Company Board and JEG, Bedwas High School Eisteddfod, Official Opening of Brondeg Day Centre, Merchant Navy Day Ceremony, WLGA Regional Induction event, Joint Council for Wales, Youth Forum Conference, Wales Strategic Migration Partnership Executive Board Meeting, Mandatory Thresholds for Affordable Housing Meeting, Visit to Bromley by Bow – Unleashing Healthy Communities, Rough Sleepers/Homeless Discussion Group, Ministerial Visit to Affordable Housing Development, Valleys Task Force Meeting with Minister, WHQS – Cross Party Group, Caerphilly Basin Masterplan Meeting, Pride in Your Place Awards, Visits to Loftus Gardens and the Gaer Project, Site Meeting to Six Bells, Official opening of Cwrt Goodrich, Launch of Resources to Support Syrian Refugees in Wales, Caerphilly Rough Sleepers Discussion Group, Machen Community Speed Watch, BTM Chairs Awards, Rowan Place Community Event, RAF100 Event and Trevelyan Court Event.

I also met regularly with Heads of Service, Directors, the Chief Executive, Police and Crime Commissioner and Trade Unions with regard to my portfolio priorities.

### **CONSTITUENCY ACTIVITY**

I have set-up a Facebook page so that I can keep constituents up-to-date with what I am doing. This has also been an effective method in which constituents raise their concerns with me.

I am an active committee member of Bedwas Workmen's Hall, regularly helping and working alongside the other hard-working volunteers at the Hall, at the many events that are held there.

I regularly attend Bedwas, Trethomas and Machen Community Council Meetings.

Attended various community related events and meetings within and outside the ward.

Helped to organise the Remembrance Day Service in Bedwas.

I attend the Machen Community Road Watch Meetings and when I can, I help out on the Machen Community Speed Watch.