

# ANNUAL REPORT

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**ELECTORAL WARD:** Bargoed

**PARTY:** Labour

**PROFILE:** Ward Member for Bargoed, Dementia Friend Champion

## **COUNCIL COMMITTEES**

Council  
Democratic Services  
Education for Life Scrutiny Committee  
Planning Committee

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

Bargoed Town Centre Management Group  
Community Council Liaison Sub – Committee  
EAS Audit and Risk Assurance Committee  
Grants to the Voluntary Sector Panel  
Scrutiny Leadership Group

## **OUTSIDE BODIES AND ASSOCIATIONS**

Dementia Friend Champion  
St Johns Cymru Wales

Audit and Risk Assurance Committee (ARAC) (Education Achievement Service for South East Wales (EAS))

### **SCHOOL GOVERNING BODY**

Vice Chair of Heolddu Comprehensive School Governing Body

### **ATTENDANCE**

From May 2018 to May 2019 my attendance at Council meetings was as follows:

<u>Meeting</u>	<u>No. Attended</u>	<u>No. Held</u>
Council	10	11
Democratic Services	4	4
Education for Life Scrutiny Committee	7	9
Planning Committee	11	12
Bargoed Town Centre Management Group	1	2
Community Council Liaison Sub – Committee	2	3
Grants to the Voluntary Sector Panel	3	3
Scrutiny Leadership Group	1	2

### **TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT**

I have undertaken the following training and development: -  
Grants to the Voluntary Sector Committee (Annual Refresher)  
Education for Life Scrutiny (Annual Refresher)  
Planning Committee (Annual Refresher)  
Leadership Academy  
Civil Parking Enforcement (Seminar)  
Planning Policy Wales & Technical Advice Notes (Recommended)  
Unconscious Bias in Decision Making (Recommended)  
Sport and Active Recreation Strategy (Seminar)  
Universal Credit (Seminar)  
Planning Rules & Procedures (Mandatory)  
Nature Conservation – Planning (Recommended)  
Medium Term Financial Plan (Seminar)  
The Appeals Process – Planning (Recommended)  
Gwent Police Station Closures (Seminar)  
Schools Causing Concern (Recommended)  
The LDP Process – Planning (Recommended)  
Treasury Management (Seminar)

### **DEMENTIA FRIEND CHAMPION**

I was very proud to be appointed as the Dementia Friend Champion of the Authority and I will continue to raise awareness of dementia in Caerphilly in memory of my father in law, the late Councillor Harry Andrews MBE.

I continue to work closely with Phil Diamond, Theme Lead, Gwent Health and Social Care Transformation Team and Sarah Bees, Policy and Project Officer, Gwent Regional Partnership Team and continue to chair the Caerphilly Dementia Friendly Community Meetings. Many more organisations and Schools are joining Caerphilly's Dementia Friendly Community including Heolddu Comprehensive School which became the first secondary school in the borough to achieve this.

### **CONSTITUENCY ACTIVITY**

I do not hold surgeries as I am happy to be contacted at home, by phone, email or by my dedicated councillor social media accounts.

These are the issues that I have worked on over the past year many of which are ongoing: -  
Vandalism at the ground of Bargoed Rugby Club and Bargoed Golf Club, the Anti Social Behaviour at Morrison's and Fly tipping around the town. I have also dealt with parking issues, highway issues and assisted with residents needing help from social services and housing. I have supported Bargoed residents with their new business venture.  
I attend regular meetings with Gwent Police.