

ANNUAL REPORT

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ELECTORAL WARD: Blackwood

PARTY: Independent

PROFILE: Ward Member for Blackwood

COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Council
Education Scrutiny Committee

SUBCOMMITTEES/WORKING PARTIES/PANELS

Blackwood Town Centre Management Group
Community County Liaison Sub-Committee
Grants to the Voluntary Sector Panel

OUTSIDE BODIES AND ASSOCIATIONS

Member of the Moose International Blackwood Branch
Community Committee Member - 277 Blackwood Squadron Air Training Corps

Member of Blackwood Town Council
Honorary President of the Blackwood Boys & Girls Football Club

SCHOOL GOVERNING BODY

Chair of Governors at Blackwood Comprehensive School

ATTENDANCE

To view my attendance record, please follow the link below:

<https://democracy.caerphilly.gov.uk/mqUserAttendanceSummary.aspx?LLL=0>

TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT

Local Government Bill (Seminar)
Provision of EAS Support to Schools (Recommended Training)
South Wales Fire & Rescue Authority (Seminar)
Ethics and Standards (Mandatory Training)
Education Performance Indicators (Seminar)
Civil Parking & Traffic Regulation Orders (Seminar)

WARD ACTIVITY

During the year I regularly delivered yellow newsletters and gave weekly up-dates on my Facebook Page, to ensure that residents are fully informed of all the work that is being carried out in Blackwood.

I supported local businesses in relation to accessing grant funding during this time of crisis, and assisted individual council tenants with tenancy related issues. I liaised with the Council's Housing Team to resolve queries for individual residents in relation to the Welsh Quality Housing Standard Environmental Improvement Programme.

I worked closely with the Council's Highway and Cleansing Departments in relation to highway issues, fly tipping and fly posting.

I also worked closely with Environmental Health and the Parks Department in resolving a long-standing issue with trees on the embankment on the rear lane of William Street Blackwood. A major project that took several weeks to complete but has made a huge difference to the residents who live there.