

ANNUAL REPORT

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ELECTORAL WARD: Risca East

PARTY: Labour

PROFILE: Cabinet Member for Neighbourhood (until 17/12/19)
Cabinet Member for Environment & Neighbourhood Services (from 18/12/19)
Domestic Abuse Champion

COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Council
Cabinet
Cabinet as Trustees for Blackwood Miners Institute
Investigating and Disciplinary Committee
Rights of Way Cabinet Committee

SUBCOMMITTEES/WORKING PARTIES/PANELS

Caerphilly Local Access Forum
Corporate Joint Consultative Committee
Monmouthshire and Brecon Canal – Crumlin Working Arm
Pensions Compensation Committee
Risca Town Centre Management Group

OUTSIDE BODIES AND ASSOCIATIONS

Domestic Abuse Champion
Fields in Trust
Prosiect Gwyrdd Joint Committee
Islwyn Bowls Club Management Board
Local Government Association
Monmouthshire and Brecon Canal Joint Steering Group
Welsh Local Government Association
White Ribbon Campaign
Black Vein Miners Memorial Society
Member of Risca East Community Council
Executive Director of Plutus Health

SCHOOL GOVERNING BODY

Risca Community Comprehensive School
Ty Sign Primary School
Treasurer of Risca East Play and Learn Group.

ATTENDANCE

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

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

TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT

Equalities Act & Protected Characteristics (Recommended Training)
Medium Term Financial Plan (Seminar)
South Wales Fire & Rescue Authority (Seminar)
Provision of EAS Support to Schools (Recommended Training)
Monmouthshire & Brecon Canal – Crumlin Arm Working Group (Annual Refresher)
Civil Parking & Traffic Regulation Orders (Seminar)
Strategic Development Plan Workshop (Seminar)
Education Performance Indicators (Seminar)
Local Development Bill (Seminar)
Ethics and Standards (Mandatory Training)

CABINET MEMBER ACTIVITY

Lockdown brought many new challenges to my Cabinet role, with daily updates and situations never before experienced.

As Cabinet Member for Neighbourhood Services, 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.

I have regular meetings with Directors, Heads of Service, Officers, MP's and AM's and, along with my regularly scheduled committee, cabinet and council meetings during 2019/20 I also attended the following meetings and events:

Meeting with staff from Newbridge Leisure Centre, Photoshoot for Fostering Fortnight, Caerphilly 10k, Launch of the Sport and Leisure Services New App in Newbridge Leisure Centre, Sport Caerphilly Legacy Games, Open Day at Woodfieldside, photo call for Engie

2,000th completed at Fernlea, visit Royal Welsh Agricultural Show with Leader, Risca Summer Scheme, Merchant Navy Day Flag Raising, BMX World Stunt Attempt at Caerphilly Castle, Coach of the Future Launch evening, photoshoot at Caerphilly's new cemetery, visit to Furniture Revival Centre, Voluntary Sector Awards Evening, Affordable Housing Road Trip, opening of Llamau's new Multi Agency Centre in Caerphilly, Sport Caerphilly Sports Awards, WLGA Council, Youth forum Conference, Unveiling of Memorial to Llewelyn Bren in Gelligaer, meeting with Rhianon Passmore AM re Abercarn Cricket Club, Youth Forum Conference.

I also attended regular meetings for the Islwyn Bowls Club, Leisure Centres and site visits at the request of local ward Members

WARD ACTIVITY

During lockdown I continued carrying out my role as a Councillor, representing my community and providing assistance during a difficult time.

I helped residents on a variety of issues which included, housing, traffic management, parking and landscaping issues. Dealt with complaints regarding anti-social behaviour, dog fouling and littering. Liaised with various community groups throughout Risca. Helped with the re-opening of the park toilets. Help secure funding for the Risca Covid-19 Volunteers.

My constituents are welcome to contact me by telephone, email or in person and I operate an open-door policy for all. My ward colleagues and I hold a surgery on the first Saturday of every month at St David's Church, 11.00 – 12.00 pm (when restrictions allow).