

ANNUAL REPORT

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ELECTORAL WARD: Blackwood

PARTY: Independent

PROFILE: Ward Member for Blackwood

COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Council

Education Scrutiny Committee

Democratic Services Committee (since 3rd September 2020)

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

Member of Friends of Cefn Fforest Institute.

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/mgUserAttendanceSummary.aspx?LLL=0>

TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT

Mass Vaccination Programme (seminar)

Tips (seminar)

WARD ACTIVITY

Over the past year I have continued carrying out my role as a Councillor, representing my community and providing assistance during a difficult time.

During the year I gave regular up-dates on my Facebook Page, to ensure that residents were fully informed of all the work that is being carried out in Blackwood. I also submitted a petition to Full Council signed by 115 residents for improved safety measures within Cefn Fforest Welfare Park.

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, and on a project to extend the path on the Showfield which will hopefully be implemented shortly. I am also working with the Parks Department into the possibility of creating an Historical / Nature walk around Blackwood.