

ANNUAL REPORT

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ELECTORAL WARD: Morgan Jones

PARTY: Labour

PROFILE: Ward Member for Morgan Jones
Equalities Champion

COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Council
Policy and Resources Scrutiny Committee (Chair)
Partnerships Scrutiny Committee
Appointments Committee

SUBCOMMITTEES/WORKING PARTIES/PANELS

Caerphilly Town Centre Management Group
Scrutiny Leadership Group

OUTSIDE BODIES AND ASSOCIATIONS

Equalities Champion
Inclusion Champion
Non-Domestic Rate Payers Committee (Chair)

ATTENDANCE

To view my attendance record, please follow the link below. Over the last twelve months (June 2020 – June 2021) I achieved a 100 per cent attendance record.

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

TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT

2021 Census (seminar)

Homelessness (seminar)

WARD ACTIVITY

Over the last twelve months I've been restricted from carrying out my usual door knocking due to COVID restrictions. However, since restrictions were eased on 12th April 2021, I've been able to recommence my weekly door knocking, which has been positive. As the impact of the pandemic has temporarily impacted on my ability to knock as many doors as I'd like, I've adapted to new ways of working. My ward colleague, Cllr Shayne Cook, and I have undertaken regular weekly walks around the ward to pick up issues that require reporting. We have also taken part in litter picks and, as restrictions ease further, this is something we would like to do with more people. We keep residents updated in a range of ways, and increasingly through social media.

The pandemic has resulted in a large response rate for help from residents. I volunteered through the Council's Buddy scheme to support local residents in need. This I found a rewarding experience.

I continue to engage with residents in all kinds of ways, particularly through email, telephone and Facebook, and send a weekly e-mail update to well over 400 local residents every week.