# **ANNUAL REPORT**

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**ELECTORAL WARD**: Crosskeys

**PARTY:** Labour

**PROFILE:** Ward Member for Crosskeys

Mayor until 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2020

## **COUNCIL COMMITTEES**

Council

Planning Committee

**Education Scrutiny Committee** 

Appointments Committee (Vice Chair)

**Audit Committee** 

Investigating and Disciplinary Committee

Licensing and Gambling Committee (Vice-Chair)

Taxi and General Committee (Vice-Chair)

# SUBCOMMITTEES/WORKING PARTIES/PANELS

Advisory Panel for the Appointment and Removal of Local Authority Governors

Licensing and Gambling Sub Committee

Taxi and General Sub Committee

Monmouthshire and Brecon Canal – Crumlin Arm Working Group

Standing Advisory Council on Religious Education

Pensions Compensation Committee (substitute)

#### **OUTSIDE BODIES AND ASSOCIATIONS**

Greater Gwent Crematorium Joint Committee Aneurin Bevan Community Health Council Welsh Books Council and Wales Book Council Executive Committee

## **SCHOOL GOVERNING BODY**

Newbridge School

#### **ATTENDANCE**

To view my attendance record, please follow the link below: <a href="https://democracy.caerphilly.gov.uk/mgUserAttendanceSummary.aspx?LLL=0">https://democracy.caerphilly.gov.uk/mgUserAttendanceSummary.aspx?LLL=0</a>

#### TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT

Hate Crime Workshop (recommended)
2021 Census (seminar)
Mass Vaccination Programme (seminar)
Homelessness (seminar)
Tips (seminar)
Team Caerphilly (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.

Due to Covid restrictions, face to face meetings with residents was limited, however meetings were conducted via the telephone. Along with the day to day work in my communities of Crosskeys and Pontywaun, I have dealt with a wide range of issues on behalf of residents eg housing, parking, noise, refuse, pest control etc.

Over the past twelve months, I have continued to undertake the many courses and seminars Caerphilly CBC has provided to develop my knowledge of council and give me a better understanding of local government. This is helping me gain the knowledge I need to fulfil my role as a councillor, and I continue to attend committees and groups at council and local levels remotely.