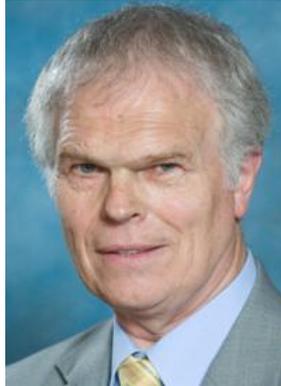


ANNUAL REPORT

MAY 2012 - MAY 2013



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ELECTORAL WARD: Llanbradach

PARTY: Plaid Cymru

PROFILE: I am a member of Llanbradach and Pwllypant Community Council and the Llanbradach Partnership. Vice-Chair of the Llanbradach Community Centre Management Committee

COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Council
Policy and Resources Scrutiny Committee
Democratic Services Committee
Crime and Disorder Scrutiny Committee
Sustainable Development Advisory Panel

SUBCOMMITTEES/WORKING PARTIES/PANELS

Caerphilly Homes Task Group
Gwent Police and Crime Panel

OUTSIDE BODIES AND ASSOCIATIONS

Board of Undeb Credyd Plaid Cymru Credit Union
Member of the Board of Caerphilly Groundwork Trust
Member of the Trustee Board of Caerphilly and Blaenau Gwent Citizens Advice Bureau
Deputy Chair of LGA Resources Panel
Member of the IDeA Peer Clearing House

Board Member (via the Welsh Local Government Association) of the Local Government Data Unit-Wales

SCHOOL GOVERNING BODY

Ysgol Gyfun Cwm Rhymni
Ysgol Bro Sannan

ATTENDANCE

From May 2012 to May 2013 my attendance at Council meetings was as follows:

<u>Meeting</u>	<u>No. Attended</u>	<u>No. Held</u>
Council	9	9
Crime and Disorder	2	2
Policy and Resources	7	8
Sustainable Development Advisory Panel	5	6
Democratic Services Committee	3	3

TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT

I undertook the following training and development seminars and courses: -

Code of Conduct	Secondary Schools Rationalisation
Licensing	Medium Term Financial Plan
Welfare Reform	Aneurin Bevan Health Board
Prosiect Gwrydd	Corporate Parenting
Welfare Reforms	South Wales Fire and Rescue Service
Appointments	Local Bus Service
Secondary Rationalisation	Nant Llesg
Treasury Management	

CONSTITUENCY ACTIVITY

I do not hold formal surgeries, as my constituents prefer to contact me in person or by telephone and email.

Over the past 12 months I undertook the following constituency activity and achieved the following positive outcomes for my ward.

Proposed Health Centre – together with Councillor Rob Gough, United Welsh Housing, the Aneurin Bevan Health Board, the Church authorities and others, I attended regular meetings which are exploring the possibility of building a new Health Centre for the village on the site of the former Llanbradach church, also using the former Church Hall.

Llanbradach Partnership – I was involved in various activities with the partnership, e.g identifying environmental projects, including planting schemes, to improve the village and the Christmas Lantern Parade.

Llanbradach Football Club – I attended a number of meetings with officials of the club to progress their Changing Room project and associated matters.

Emmanuel Chapel – Several site meetings were held in connection with the proposal to demolish the chapel and build flats on the site. Various improvements were made to the

original application but unfortunately the Planning Committee decision on access to the site via the rear lane was not in accord with the wishes of local councillors and residents.

Regular newsletters were distributed by community councillors throughout the ward by the Community Council and also by Partnership members.

As an active member of the Management Committee I was involved with various improvement schemes at the Community Centre.

Several local newsletters were distributed on individual matters in different parts of the ward.

After many years of requests to the highways department some safety improvements have now been carried out to enable safer access for traffic entering the by-pass from Rue de Ploubezre.

I represented the Community Council on the Caerffili and District Twinning Committee and was involved in various visits both to and from Brittany, both with the main committee and the Junior Football Club.

I kept in touch with Llamau to ensure that I am aware of any developments concerning the Garth Owen facility that provides accommodation for youngsters who are unable to live at home for a variety of reasons.

I requested reports and submitted motions to Scrutiny committees on various topics.

I attended all-Wales meetings of elected members as Chair of the Democratic Services Committee.

I was a member of the WLGA Peer Team that reviewed democratic progress in Ynys Mon/ Anglesey prior to the local government elections in May 2012.

I regularly attended governing body meetings and other activities with the schools, including Coedybrain Primary and Cwm Glas Infants schools in my ward.