

# ANNUAL REPORT

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**ELECTORAL WARD:** Penyrheol

**PARTY:** Plaid Cymru

**PROFILE:** I am a Community Councillor for the Penyrheol, Trecenydd and Energlyn Ward where I service on the Finance, Newsletter and Play scheme Sub Committee. A Member of Penyrheol Community Centre Management Committee.

## **COUNCIL COMMITTEES**

Council  
Education for Life Scrutiny Committee  
Democratic Services Committee

## **SUBCOMMITTEES/WORKING PARTIES/PANELS**

Standing Advisory Council on Religious Education

## **OUTSIDE BODIES AND ASSOCIATIONS - None**

## **SCHOOL GOVERNING BODY:**

I am Chairman of Hendre Junior School Governing Body and a member of Cwm Ifor Primary School Governing Body.

## **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
Education for Life	7	9
Democratic Services	2	3

## **TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT**

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

Code of Conduct	Secondary Rationalisation
Welfare Reforms	

## **CONSTITUENCY ACTIVITY**

I do not hold surgeries my constituents prefer to contact me by telephone and email.

### Pleasant Place Sheltered Housing in Penyrheol: -

I and a colleague had regular meetings with residents, two of the outcomes were with the support of officers we were able to arrange for transport to be provided for the residents to take them shopping to Asda or Caerffili town also we progressed a ramp facility for one of the residents.

### Traffic Calming Measures: -

After requests from many residents in my ward regarding the speed humps on Heol Pwllypant – 2 of the speed humps were removed and the others changed, once again I worked with the help and advice of officers.

### The New Cwm Ifor Primary School: -

When this project was first discussed, my colleagues and I on the governors and County Borough Council were part of team of decision makers. This year saw the first intake of children.

### Hendre Junior school: -

I was involved with the development of the school, which has involved 2 new fit for purpose classrooms plus due to the retirement of the former head teacher the appointment of a new head teacher.

Safer Routes to School Initiative funded by the Welsh Government and Caerffili County Borough – led by a Senior County Borough Officer,

This initiative started a few years ago and finished this year. I was part of a group of interested parties who to date have achieved a cycle path from the top of the Aber Valley through to Caerffili, and safer entrance to St Cenydd and Hendre Junior Schools, better parking on site and Bike shed at St Cenydd. Plus safer surfaces on the road bridge across the busy By Pass