

ANNUAL REPORT

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ELECTORAL WARD: Ystrad Mynach

PARTY: Plaid Cymru

PROFILE: Ward Member for Ystrad Mynach

COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Council
Social Services Scrutiny Committee
Investigating and Disciplinary Committee
Planning Committee
Appeals Panel (substitute)

SUBCOMMITTEES/WORKING PARTIES/PANELS

Community Council Liaison Sub-Committee
Ystrad Mynach Town Centre Management Group

OUTSIDE BODIES AND ASSOCIATIONS

Gelligaer Community Council

ATTENDANCE

To view my attendance record, please follow the link below:

TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT

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.

June 14th Spoke with Ystrad Collage regarding the speed of cars leaving the collage during the day.

June 21st Meeting in town centre with Councillor Martyn James regarding the cleanliness of the town centre. Arranged for Council staff to carry out a clean up.

June 26th Meeting with members of Ystrad Mynach Bowls club to discuss issues within the club grounds, such as hedge cutting back, car parking, refuse collection and maintenance of building and bowling green.

June 29th Meeting in town centre with ward colleague, Councillor Martyn James and Council staff to discuss improving and cleaning up our town centre.

July 7th Held a meeting with residents of George st Ystrad Mynach to discuss the possibility of arranging for Network Rail to look at cutting the trees back in the lane between George Street and Glyn View. These are a problem with the strong winds which are making the tree sbend over and could break off or uproot.

July 14th Spoke with highways department about an issue with staff from local shop leaving their cars in the return in 1 hour bay all day.

July 17th Further issue with same staff parking on the pavement for up to 5 hours and refusing to move. Will speak to Council's Highways Department on Monday.

August 14th Issue with parking on pavement continues to be a problem.

August 20th further meeting with Council staff to discuss parking issues within our town centre and general cleanliness of town centre.

August 31st Made enquiries about the possibility of a bottle bank being placed at Penallta RFC.

August 31st Spoke with Council regarding the full time opening of our library which at the moment it is appointments only. 20 minutes per person allowed.

September 7th Sent email regarding school transport for pupil, which was then passed on to Councillor Teresa Parry - ward member for Hengoed.

September 21st Spoke with a resident regarding the issue of black bin liners being left on pavement. Council will send letter to residents reminding them to put all liners in bins.

September 24th Meeting with residents regarding the proposed extension at Bro Allta school In Ystrad Mynach.

October 18th Meeting with traffic wardens to discuss problems with parking in town centre and around the schools in morning and afternoon with people parking illegally and residents parking issues.

November 27th Christmas fayre cancelled due to bad weather. Looking at doing food market in March 2022.

Various problems in November and December with parking in town centre and surrounding streets. Spoke with various people in highways and hopefully our issues with parking will be resolved in 2022.

January 4th Spoke with Council regarding re-issue of parking permits. All permits extended until end of January. Blue badge holders are automatically re-issued.

January 7th Phone call from resident regarding help with refuse collection, which was resolved.

January 12th Spoke to Council regarding double yellow lines on corner of George Street and Glen View - on hold.

January 8th Meeting with Oakfield Street Surgery with view to moving entrance to car park.

January 10th Spoke with highways department regarding use of permit holder's bays in Commercial Street Ystrad Mynach. Waiting to see if visitors permit to park was issued.

January 17th Phoned council about the removal of overgrown weeds in the town centre, especially around the library.

January 20th Phoned council about problem with rats, which their staff will investigate.

February 2nd Spoke to Council about cutting down of trees on the Forge Mill Estate following a call from a resident.

February 2nd Meeting in town with Councillor Martyn James and Highways Department about parking in lane off Penallta Road and issues within the town centre.

February 4th Meeting to discuss cutting of trees within Forge Mill Estate.

February 24th Spoke to residents regarding hedge around Police Station. Awaiting contact from Gwent Police

February 7th Spoke with resident regarding help following relative's illness. Hospital not responding to our call so will now contact our Senedd Member. Issue was resolved.

February 9th Meeting in town with highways regarding placing of yellow lines.

February 23rd Meeting with Gwent Police at Ystrad Mynach Station regarding hedge on police grounds. Awaiting confirmation of permission to cut back hedge. Updated resident.

March 5th Ystrad Mynach spring fayre in town centre. What a great day and a fantastic turnout. With people coming all through the day and saying how nice it was to have a spring fayre after the Christmas one was cancelled. Looks like this is going to be an ongoing event. With the footfall at 103% on the day. That's around 7000 people coming into town for spring fayre.

March 10th Further issues with parking in town centre with residents in Church Street who have parking permits and cannot park outside their homes. Chasing this issue with Highways.

March 23rd Meeting with resident regarding an issue with blocked drains – Council informed.

March 28th Meeting with committee of Siloh Chapel to discuss future plans for use of chapel.

April we had various problems throughout April within town centre. People parking on pavements. Litter within town centre. Some anti-social behaviour. Grass cutting needed around town centre. Parking in permit holders parking spaces.

April 15th Liaised with resident and United Welsh regarding an issue with cracks in wall.