

ANNUAL REPORT

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ELECTORAL WARD: Twyn Carno

PARTY: Labour

PROFILE: Ward Member for Twyn Carno

COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Council
Policy & Resources Scrutiny Committee

SUBCOMMITTEES/WORKING PARTIES/PANELS

OUTSIDE BODIES AND ASSOCIATIONS

LGBTQ Champion
Pen Bryn Oer Wind Farm Fun Advisory Group (Chair)

SCHOOL GOVERNING BODY

Upper Rhymney Primary School (Vice Chair)
Idris Davies 3-18 School

ATTENDANCE

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

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

TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT

Corporate Joint Committees (seminar)
Team Caerphilly (seminar)
Elected Members Safety (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.

I am a member of the Ael y Bryn Community Centre Management Committee and was re-elected Secretary of the Pen y Dre Tenants & Residents Association, I am also a community Councillor on Rhymney Community Council and a Trustee of Rhymney Trust, which decides on funding community groups in the Rhymney area.

I continue to meet the Police, along with Dawn Bowden MS and Gerald Jones MP, to discuss anti-social issues in the area albeit virtually due to the pandemic, but we continue to raise issues on behalf of residents. I worked jointly with the Moriah Ward Councillors as we Rhymney is shared between the wards.

After my motion was passed at Community Council, and with the help of CCBC, we now have a memorial stone at Rhymney Cemetery for those who sadly died of COVID19. We are looking to commemorate the stone this summer.

Following my request, we have some new equipment installed in the War Memorial Park and the Tennis Courts by The Terrace. I have asked if there is a budget so the Rhymney Tennis Court service can be replaced. I am also working with the council regarding the enhancement works to take place on our High Street in Rhymney, and also working with the council to tackle some of the derelict buildings on the High Street that are causing some concern locally. I am currently working with Regeneration, Planning and Building Control on this matter.

I worked with Gwent Police, CCBC, our MP and MS to submit a safer streets bid for Rhymney. As a result, 300k was awarded to Rhymney as part of the successful bid submitted by the Police and Crime Commissioner Jeff Cuthbert and partners including Caerphilly Council, as part of the Home Office safer streets programme. The money from the Safer Streets fund will help to tackle the most common crime types of burglary, robbery, theft from a person and vehicle crime. The money will be used for additional CCTV in communities and distributing improved home security measures to hundreds of properties in the area as well as other community safety initiatives.

We hosted Santa with the Fire Service last year – the first once since restrictions had lifted.

I have also started working with the Police to host joint surgeries in the community centre.

I continue to support community groups and residents in community activity.