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ELECTORAL WARD: Risca East

PARTY: Labour

PROFILE: Cabinet Member for Waste, Public Protection & Street Scene

COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Council
Cabinet
Cabinet as Trustees for Blackwood Miners Institute
Investigating and Disciplinary Committee
Appointments Committee
Rights of Way Cabinet Committee

SUBCOMMITTEES/WORKING PARTIES/PANELS

Caerphilly Community Safety Delivery Group
Corporate Joint Consultative Committee
Monmouthshire and Brecon Canal – Crumlin Working Arm
Pensions Compensation Committee
Risca Town Centre Management Group
View Point Panel

OUTSIDE BODIES AND ASSOCIATIONS

Domestic Abuse Champion White Ribbon Campaign Champion Prosiect Gwyrdd Joint Committee Local Government Association

Monmouthshire and Brecon Canal Joint Steering Group
Safer Caerphilly Community Safety Partnership
Welsh Local Government Association
Black Vein Miners Memorial Society
Member of Risca East Community Council
Member of Channel View Management Committee

SCHOOL GOVERNING BODY

Risca Community Comprehensive School Ty Sign Primary School Treasurer of Risca East Play and Learn Group.

ATTENDANCE

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

TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT

Unity Over Division Charter (seminar)
Gwent Public Services Board Committees (seminar)
City Deal (seminar)
Team Caerphilly (seminar)
Elected Member Safety (seminar)

CABINET MEMBER ACTIVITY

Lockdown brought many new challenges to my Cabinet role, with daily updates and situations never before experienced.

As Cabinet Member for Waste, Public Protection & Street Scene, I acted as the Cabinet expert in these areas, to ensure that the views and needs of the service are built into the Council's policy framework and the decision-making process. I attended Scrutiny meetings, where I regularly updated other Members about my key portfolio activities.

I have regular meetings with Directors, Heads of Service, Officers, MP's and AM's and, along with my regularly scheduled committee, cabinet and council meetings during 2021/22, I also attended the following meetings and events:

Prosiect Gwyrdd Joint Committee, South East Region Cabinet Members for Waste. Local Access Forum, Sweeper Demonstration – Caerphilly Town Centre, Community Empowerment Fund discussion, LDP Focus Group, School Budget Forum, WLGA, LGA, visit to Twmbarlwm Ancient Site, Safer Communities Working Group, APSE Awards Ceremony, National Recycling Week photoshoot, Caerphilly Community Allotment photoshoot, Cwmcarn Project Board, Commemorative Tree Planting for those lost to Covid photoshoot, Filming at Oakdale Running Track, Delivering Free School Meals, Virtual Housing Road Trip,. LGC Awards Ceremony, Santa Appeal photoshoot, Food Standards Agency Meeting for SE Wales Region, Armistice Service, Safer Streets photoshoot, Completion of New Path at Blackwood Showfield photoshoot, Caerphilly Nature Partnership, Filming re Dogs on Sports Pitches, Covid Memorial Tree Planting Ceremony, Ynys Hywel,

I met regularly with Heads of Service, Directors, and the Chief Executive with regard to my portfolio priorities. I also attended regular meetings for the Islwyn Bowls Club, Leisure Centres and site visits at the request of local ward Members

WARD ACTIVITY

During lockdown I continued carrying out my role as a Councillor, representing my community and providing assistance during a difficult time.

I helped residents on a variety of issues which included, housing, traffic management, parking and landscaping issues. Dealt with complaints regarding anti-social behaviour, dog fouling and littering. Liaised with various community groups throughout Risca. Helped with the re-opening of the park toilets. Help secure funding for the Risca Covid-19 Volunteers.

My constituents are welcome to contact me by telephone, email or in person and I operate an open-door policy for all. My ward colleagues and I normally hold a surgery on the first Saturday of every month at St David's Church, 11.00 - 12.00 pm and hope to restart these when restrictions allow.