

ANNUAL REPORT

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ELECTORAL WARD: Nelson

PARTY: Labour

PROFILE: Ward Member for Nelson

COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Council
Education Scrutiny Committee
Policy & Resources Scrutiny Committee (Vice Chair)
Partnerships Scrutiny Committee
Planning Committee
Appeals Panel (substitute)
Governance & Audit Committee

SUBCOMMITTEES/WORKING PARTIES/PANELS

Pensions Compensation Committee
Scrutiny Leadership Group
Regeneration Board

OUTSIDE BODIES AND ASSOCIATIONS

Aneurin Bevan Community Health Council
Caerphilly Foster Panel
Corporate Parenting Group (Foster Panel Member)

ATTENDANCE

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

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

TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT

Gwent Public Services Board (seminar)

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 to individual residents.

Traffic, parking and highways

I have continued to report issues, attend meetings and represent residents' views about parking, traffic and highways concerns. I have provided information to residents on parking enforcement, resident parking permits and traffic regulation orders. I have raised residents' concerns about the traffic lights on Shingrig Road bridge, signage and problems with the Bwl Road experimental layout, and parking enforcement issues.

Housing

I have assisted individual residents with housing issues, including advice on the availability of properties and prospects.

Planning and development

I monitor weekly planning applications received for the Nelson area and have assisted individuals with planning issues. I have spoken with residents and attended meetings with the promoters of the proposed wind farm on Eglwysilan mountain.

Environment

I have liaised with council officers to arrange for areas of the village to be cleaned up, cut-back and maintained. I continue to report instances of fly-tipping and dumping as and when these occur.

Community events

As a community councillor, I have continued to help organise and run the regular programme of community council events, including the 2021 online summer show, and the Halloween, Christmas and Easter competitions. I monitor and update the council's Facebook page.

Education

I am an LEA appointed governor at Llancaeach Juniors. I have regularly attended governor meetings. I keep up to date with educational developments through governor training and the Governors Network. I continue to monitor proposals for the new school building and merger of the infants and junior schools.

Council services

During the year I assisted a number of residents with accessing council services and resolving issues. In order to protect Nelson residents' interests more broadly, I ensure that I keep abreast of new developments by regularly attending briefings and seminars on council strategies and proposals.

Social media

I continue to highlight items of interest to the community and answer questions through my Facebook page and the We Love Nelson groups.