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ELECTORAL WARD: Machen and Rudry

PARTY: Labour

PROFILE: Ward Member for Machen and Rudry

Cabinet Member for Waste, Leisure & Green Spaces.

COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Council

Cabinet

Rights of Way Cabinet Committee

Cabinet as Trustees of Blackwood Miners Institute

Cabinet as Trustees of Cwmcarn Memorial Cottage Hospital Fund

Cabinet as Trustees of Dafydd Williams Park Caerphilly

Joint Consultive Committee

Pensions/Compensation Committee

SUBCOMMITTEES/WORKING PARTIES/PANELS

Caerphilly Local Access Forum

Monmouthshire and Brecon Canal - Crumlin Arm Working Group

River Rhymney Task Group View Point Panel

OUTSIDE BODIES AND ASSOCIATIONS

Association of Public Services Excellence (APSE) Welsh Regional Committee Fields in Trust Islwyn Indoor Bowls Club Management Board Monmouthshire and Brecon Canal Joint Steering Group South East Area Environment Group Prosiect Gwyrdd Joint Committee South Wales Regional Aggregates Working Party

ATTENDANCE

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

TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT

Unconscious Bias/Protected Characteristics Equalities Training
Code of Conduct Training
Equalities & diversity Training
WLGA Leadership Programme Training
Local Development Plan Seminar
Developments of National Significance Seminar
Performance Framework & Corporate Plan Seminar
Public Speaking Training
Houses in Multiple Occupation
Equalities & Unconscious Bias

CABINET MEMBER ACTIVITY

As Cabinet Member for Waste, Leisure & Green Spaces 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.

Along with my regularly scheduled committee, cabinet and council meetings during 2022/23, I also attended the following Teams events and meetings:

Photocalls – (Blackwood Bowls Club & Operation Santa), Tour of Borough & numerous site visits, MJ Awards Ceremony, Which Way Now events, visit Archaeological Dig Twmbarlwm, Caerphilly Interchange meetings, GAVO Achievements Awards, day with waste crew, Sport Caerphilly Awards, New Trains Showcase Caerphilly Station, Ministerial meetings, Youth Forum Conference, Disability 6 National Rugby Festival., Cymru Resource Conference, Ministers visit for tree planting Covid Memorial Garden Ynys Hywel.

I also met regularly with the Chief Executive, Directors, Heads of Service, Police and Crime Commissioner and Trade Unions with regard to my portfolio priorities.

WARD ACTIVITY

Since the election in May 2022, I have enjoyed the learning curve as a new County Councillor for the new Machen and Rudry ward.

The role has been challenging and rewarding, dealing with many issues facing members of the public including: Housing, fly tipping, cleansing, highways, speeding, road repairs, flooding, water leaks, lots of tree maintenance and anti-social behaviour.

Along with my colleague Cllr Amanda McConnell, I have attended many street surgeries at Rudry, Machen and Graig y Rhacca as well as police and community meetings.

I have helped set up Litter picking hubs with Keep Wales Tidy at Graig y Rhacca Community Centre, and at Machen RFC. I have become a Trustee of the Ruperra Castle Preservation Group and am a working member of the Machen RFC Committee.

I am a member of the Bedwas Workmen's Hall Committee and lead for the National Lottery Application for Bedwas, Trethomas and Machen Community Council.

Constituents are welcome to contact me by phone, email, text messenger or in person.

I am here to help.

Cllr Chris Morgan