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ELECTORAL WARD: Penyrheol

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PROFILE: I am a Community Councillor for the Penyrheol, Trecenydd and Energlyn Ward where I service on the Finance, Newsletter and Play scheme Sub Committee. I am also a Member of Penyrheol Community Centre Management Committee.

COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Council
Education for Life Scrutiny Committee
Democratic Services Committee

SUBCOMMITTEES/WORKING PARTIES/PANELS

Standing Advisory Council on Religious Education

OUTSIDE BODIES AND ASSOCIATIONS - None

SCHOOL GOVERNING BODY:

I am Chairman of Hendre Junior School Governing Body and a member of Cwm Ifor Primary School Governing Body.

ATTENDANCE

From May 2013 to May 2014 my attendance at Council meetings was as follows:

<u>Meeting</u>	<u>No. Attended</u>	<u>No. Held</u>
Council	4	9
Education for Life	3	8
Democratic Services	3	5

TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT

I undertook the following training and development seminars and courses: -

Freedom of Information and Data Protection	E Voting
Common Housing Register	Holding Effective Pre-meetings
Questioning and Listening Skills	

I also took part in a joint scrutiny observation at Monmouthshire Council as part of the promoting good scrutiny programme.

CONSTITUENCY ACTIVITY

I do not hold surgeries my constituents prefer to contact me by telephone and email.

Official opening of Energlyn / Churchill Park train station

With fellow local ward members and others I was very pleased to attend the opening of this much needed and long awaited train station.

Traffic issues are always on the agenda and I was / am frequently speaking to residents regarding these problems. In particular councillors and residents have serious concerns regarding the Cedar Tree roundabout and the roads off, if it is not congestion on the roundabout it is the speed of traffic and the "near misses". At the junction of Pwllypant and Energlyn there is far too often a bump of some kind.

Planning: I have represented a constituent at the planning committee where unfortunately the application was refused; I am however pleased to say that on appeal the application was accepted.

Hendre Infants and Junior Schools

As Chairman of governors at Hendre Juniors I have attended very many meetings with the head teacher, teaching and non teaching staff, governors and education officers of the county and who have all worked tirelessly for the benefit of both schools. I would publicly like to thank them all for their hard work