# **BCBC Councillor's Annual Report**

## **Councillor A. J. Williams**

Ward: Coity

## Party: Independent

This report identifies my key activities during the year ending **30 April 2018**. It is provided for the information of all constituents and for no other purpose. The views expressed in this report are those of the Councillor and do not necessarily reflect the views of Bridgend County Borough Council.

#### Role & Responsibilities

I was elected to Bridgend County Borough Council to represent Coity on 4<sup>th</sup> May 2017. I have undertaken a variety of roles within the council this year including being appointed to several committees.

I have supported the residents of my ward on a variety of issues and have formally raised 212 constituent queries with the council and other organisations. This is in addition to informally addressing a number of other issues which you have asked me to help you resolve.

To enable me to fulfil my role as your representative, I have attended a number of member development activities which have assisted me to ensure that my knowledge of national and local issues affecting the council and my ward is maintained.

Further information of my <u>roles, responsibilities and activities</u> can be found by using this link.

### Constituency Activity

I meet monthly with Persimmon and Wales and West regarding ongoing building/development issues in Coity. I am also in correspondence with Taylor Wimpey.

I have been liaising with BT Openreach regarding the outstanding broadband issues.

I have sent spreadsheets with over 166 residents/whole street details that had issues with delivery of recycling containers on top of the referrals made. I have sent 818 constituency related emails in my first year as the elected member for Coity.

I have supported Coity Higher Community Council with their Community Access Plan as well as met with them, BCBC and Persimmon to progress the placing of bins in Parc Derwen and the completion of play parks.

I have represented individual residents and supported them in meetings with BCBC and other organisations such as Linc Cymru.

I have liaised with BCBC highways over the drainage issues in the Coity lanes and work

was undertaken to resolve this.

I have supported the school with a number of safety issues and specifically concerns regarding the opening of the proposed drop off area and the opening of the rear entrance to the school.

#### **Initiatives and Special Activities**

I volunteer every Friday at Coety Primary to work with the children and community on art projects that will be exhibited once completed. I have attended the two litter picks organised in Parc Derwen.

I have been in correspondence with and met with Parc Prison regarding a neighbourhood watch scheme that I will be working on with residents in Coity. I have also been involved in planting daffodils through Coity, provided by the community council, and I drove medical staff to/from the POW Hospital during the snow earlier in the year.

I have worked with BCBC and residents regarding sporting opportunities for Coity residents and funding has been obtained to roll out sessions shortly.

I have been volunteering at Coety Primary School on a Tuesday afternoon teaching year 2 children road safety with the BCBC kerbcraft team.

#### **Other Activities/Issues**

I have attended every PACT meeting at Litchard Mission since my commencement in the role.

I have used my £5,000 community action fund to provide a defibrillator for the Coity and Bridgend First Responders. I am also currently working with Coety Primary School to provide the funds to purchase nursery equipment, with the Coity Brownies and Bethesda Arts for a community art project.

I have helped a local dance group organise an event to raise money to represent Wales at the World Dance World Cup in Barcelona this June.

Councillor A J Williams:

Date: 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2018