

BCBC Councillor's Annual Report

Councillor R M Stirman

Ward: LLangeinor

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 LLangeinor on 4th 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 116 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 [roles, responsibilities and activities](#) can be found by using this link.

Constituency Activity

I am a pro-active school governor both at Tynyrheol and Bettws Primary schools. I attend as many meetings of the LLangeinor ward group as possible where I give monthly updates on my role both within the community and at council level.

I attend most PACT meetings and liaise with more senior members of SWP.

I am also an active member of the Garw Valley Community Council and promote LLangeinor specific items such as the summer play scheme and Christmas lighting therein.

I have been in consultation with BCBC regarding the provision of electric car charging points on behalf of constituents and encouraged them to develop a policy for the future.

There have been many problems over the winter with flooded drains and potholes and I have endeavoured to have all such issues resolved in a timely manner.

Recycling and waste has been another issue to feature prominently throughout the year

although problems seem to be dying down with the better weather.

With the advent of summer I anticipate the usual problems with overgrown hedges, grassed areas, borders etc. and I am already working to alleviate the issues.

Initiatives and Special Activities

I have a special interest in the preservation of footpaths, bridleways and other open spaces within the valley and I am currently working with other local riding and walking groups to list several footpaths/bridleways, hopefully to keep them in the public domain.

I am also concerned to keep the community route operational and liaise with the Garw Valley railway, Sustrans, Reach, BCBC and Natural Resources Wales to promote local involvement with both the maintenance and usage thereof.

Other Activities/Issues

As a keen dog walker I have been pro-active in the provision and maintenance of dog poo bag dispenser points and additional bins. I personally maintain three dog bag dispenser points, ensuring bags are available.

I have allocated some of the Community action Fund to Tynyrheol school to help with the provision of new benches, planting and other items for the outside schoolroom.

During the summer holidays I volunteer at the Calon Lan Visitor Centre.

Councillor R M Stirman

Date: 22.05.2018