

BCBC Councillor's Annual Report

Councillor R M I Shaw

Ward: Pontycymer

Party: Welsh labour

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 Pontycymer on 8 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 148 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

In this year, and in addition to my ward duties and representations, I have sat on 6 committees, including several for scrutiny, which is an important part of the role. I am also BCBC's representative for the Reserve and Cadet Forces, providing an external presence. In addition, I have worked with...

Halo

Natural Resources Wales

Keep Wales Tidy

Garw Valley Railway

Reach

Coalfield Regeneration Trust

Ffaldau Primary School

Llangeinor AFC

Llangeinor Rangers

Richard Price Centre

Pontycymer Bowls Club

Garw Valley Tennis Club

Cllr. Stirman and Cllr. Dendy

Garw Valley Community Council

Community Mental Health
Drug and alcohol addiction
V2C
The Wallich
South Wales Police
BAVO
Garw Valley Branch Labour Party
Trading Standards
Pest Control
Street Scene
Planning
Property Services,
and many, many individuals
My thanks to everyone who has helped our community.

Initiatives and Special Activities

This year Bridgend CBC provided support to councillors in the form of a Community Action Fund.

I undertook a community consultation and received overwhelming support for 'something for young people'. I worked with youth leaders, the PCSO and Halo to create a new youth club – the first in the upper Garw for some time.

We planned on around 30 members but have been overwhelmed – there were 120 registered in only 6 months!

To ensure the youth club can be sustainable, a new charity has been established – Calon y Cwm. This will manage any future relations and provide financial assistance and new activities to ensure our young people are looked after, stimulated and provided with a safe and social space in which to grow.

<https://www.facebook.com/rod4pontycymer/>

For more updates

Other Activities/Issues

Although the upper Garw has stunning natural beauty, it is not a ward without issues. My referrals have included calls to many departments within the CBC, and to shared services for resolutions such as Trading Standards.

I am a steering group member for 'Get Garw Active' and hope this and the recently acquired support from Street Games, will help with physical, mental and environment improvement.

My work as school governor and as chair to several community groups helps inform my activities.

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Date: 04/05/2018