

# BCBC Councillor's Annual Report

Councillor **Tom Beedle**

Ward: **Maesteg East**

## Party: **Llynfi Independents**

This report identifies my key activities during the year ending **30 April 2020** 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 Maesteg East 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 **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 have responded positively to all queries and have investigated my constituent's concerns (casework) complying with GDPR, I have represented tenants of private, and social landlords with issues relating to their accommodation and have had many successful outcomes

I have mediated between constituents in disputes between neighbours over high hedges and overhanging trees, and have managed to get some agreement between those parties

I have communicated council decisions that affect them via phone, email, social media and face to face contact

I have made many referrals about fly tipping, which include me personally taking fly tipped rubbish to the recycling centre, liaising with land owners, and working with local campaigners who have set up a Facebook group dealing with these issues

I continued to respond and support residents with issues of non-collection of recycling and parking issues

I set up and ran a School Uniform Swap Shop in Maesteg to serve needed families in our community, but was forced to close down with Lockdown

I have successfully supported the local rugby club with safety issues at the local sports ground through the Community Action Fund

I have acted as an adviser to community groups on CATS

I liaise with the local police on issues of ASB

**Initiatives and Special Activities**, in March I was a volunteer with several agency supporting vulnerable groups, including food runs and shopping for the Young Single Homeless in Maesteg, worked in partnership with local sports group on player safety, and working with Caerau men shed

I have also planted Daffodil bulbs within our community green spaces

**Other Activities/Issues** I am Chair of Governors at Cwmfelin School, and I have been a Governor at Maesteg Comprehensive school for 29 years, I also chair the Bridgend County Governors Association, dedicating a lot of time to the education of our children I spend a lot of time in December playing Santa in our local Schools, and for Children's Charities in Maesteg and other places

I also put-on Charity Discos for Special Families Maesteg, and other charitable causes in my community

I am secretary of the local Allotment Association and have successfully registered it as a charity

I set up and run The Uniform Swap Shop in Maesteg

**Councillor T H Beedle:**

**Date: 07: 04: 20**