

BCBC Councillor's Annual Report

Councillor (D Patel)

Ward: (Ogmore Vale)

Party: (Labour)

This report identifies my key activities during the year ending **(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 **(Ogmore Vale)** on **(13.11.15)**. 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 (max 200 words)

To deal with resident queries as quickly as they are brought to my attention, alongside my usual surgeries, I make myself contactable via all forms of communication including house visits, on a mobile phone and email.

This year I have continued to attend, promote and support as many activities taking place in my community as possible, these include Ogmore Valley Male Voice Choir Concerts, fundays on the Planka and launching the Cwrt Gwalia Sunflower Garden. Like last year I continued to work on key issues such as street lighting, street cleansing, waste and recycling, fly-tipping, pot-holes, anti-social behaviour at the Chapel on Bethania Row. I am actively involved with the Ogmore Valley Community Council, where I have helped drive the forward the Community Forum, the purchase of additional Christmas Lights, investment in the summer playscheme, and working strategically – Ogmore valley washeries. I meet regularly with the local community co-ordinator and the PCSOs to cross refer issues.

Initiatives and Special Activities (max 200 words)

I have held a number of meetings and have been successful in obtaining grant funding for a consultant to work with us on the all-weather pitch. I am working with a small group of volunteers to fund replacement play equipment at Wyndham Park.

Other Activities/Issues (max 100 words)

I am a local authority appointed governor on both Ogmere Vale Primary School and Coleg Cymunedol Y Dderwen. I also volunteer as a trustee of the Charity Mental Health Matters Wales and Citizen's Advice Bridgend. These roles help me to have a good oversight of the issues that face our communities.

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Date: (10.10.2020)