

BCBC Councillor's Annual Report

Councillor **RM James**

Ward: **Llangynwyd**

Party: **Plaid Cymru**

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 **Llangynwyd** on **08-05-2012**. 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 **33** 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)

One issue of note was the consequences of the developers in Parc Tyn Y Waun going into liquidation and not being able to maintain the open spaces. This is proving to be an upward challenge as the areas are not BCBC's responsibility and look unkempt if they are not maintained, this is not what the residents want. I am currently investigating other ways to fund this work as BCBC have never adopted this land and now have no money to do so. I am managing to maintain the cutting of the grass currently by referring this to the probation service under the community court orders scheme. I am also constantly in discussions with BCBC about this issue.

Initiatives and Special Activities (max 200 words)

The Community Council has continued to maintain our lovely community park –Parc Tir Iarll, Cwmfelin, where I have worked with a few committee members, our clerk and our park warden, Nicola, to hold special free days for the community. In these days of austerity they have proved very successful. We had an Easter egg hunt, a summer picnic in the parc and recently a spooky trail, all of which have seen me dressing up and helping with the preparation and the event on the day. Christmas even sees me dressed as Santa Clause in his grotto.

Other Activities/Issues (max 100 words)

I regularly entertain the congregation and guests at the St. Cynwyds Church at events such as the Harvest Festival.

Councillor RM James:

Date: 31 Jul 2018

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