

BCBC Councillor's Annual Report

Councillor ELP Caparros

**Ward: Brackla East and
Coychurch Lower**

Party: Welsh Labour

This report identifies my key activities during the year ending **30 May 2024**. 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 Brackla East and Coychurch Lower on 5 May 2022. 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 51 constituent queries / report it tickets 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 work on subcommittees - Coychurch Crematorium, Appeals Panel and Scrutiny can be found by using this link:

[Cllr ELP Caparros](#)

Constituency Activity

Residents have raised many important issues on a variety of subjects.

The most frequent are regarding highways and green spaces. It has been pleasing to see many of our issues being resolved despite the tough financial situation we face, though this has sometimes meant issues are taking longer to resolve than we would hope, we remain proactive in highlighting where works are required.

Manifesto commitments on free school meals have been well received as the program continues to rollout and we have started to see our program of play park renovations commence.

I hope our younger residents enjoy this much needed investment in our future generations.

Whilst it can be frustrating that plans can take time to come to fruition, I am confident that residents will be able to enjoy continued improvements to green spaces in our ward in the next year.

I would like to thank our hard working staff and officers in BCBC for their efforts and assistance this past year.

Initiatives and Special Activities

There have been a number of trees felled due to ash die back in our ward and this work is continuing when areas of concern are identified.

In council I have raised issues where residents were concerned that people were not notified and disappointed with the state a local site was left in. This has resulted in much better communication on following projects in our area and plans being put in place to remedy the issues residents raised.

I will continue to push for our ward to be maintained to the high standards residents deserve.

Other Activities/Issues

In addition to my work in BCBC I was fortunate to also be elected to both Brackla and Coychurch Community Councils.

It is great to work with our community councillors, officers and residents who are all passionate about local issues and work extremely hard to make this a better place to live.

Councillor: Eugene Caparros

Date: 25.06.24