BCBC Councillor's Annual Report

Councillor J A Gebbie

Ward: Pyle, Kenfig Hill

and Cefn Cribwr

Party: Labour and Cooperative

This report identifies my key activities during the year ending April **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 Pyle, Kenfig Hill and Cefn Cribwr in May 2022. I was elected to the Deputy Leader of Council and hold the portfolio for Social Services, Health and Wellbeing. I have also been appointed as Chair of Cwm Taf Morgannwg Regional Partnership Board, with responsibilities for ensuring the Integration of Health and Social Care provision across the region. I am appointed to the Welsh Local Government Association and undertake the role of Workforce Representative for Wales, with responsibilities for negotiating pay terms and conditions across 13 employer groups.

I have supported the residents of my ward on a variety of issues and have formally raised 97 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:

Cllr Jane Gebbie

Constituency Activity

I am a Local Education Authority governor appointed to Mynydd Cynfig Primary school and was elected by peers to remain as Chair throughout the academic year. You will be aware that I am actively supporting the planning application for the school to ensure that our education provision in Kenfig Hill is suitable to educate our children in future years, given the inhabitable state of our primary site.

I am also Chair of the Talbot Community Centre Trustees which has had a challenging year financially and ensuring that we have enough trustees to meet statutory requirements to trade.

The Talbot is a venue open to the community and offers opportunities to participate in various activities to both adults and children alike. I am very fortunate to have been invited to various organisations for discussions and attendance at events being held, all of which is enjoyable and often thought provoking as to everyone's individual circumstances.

Initiatives and Special Activities

Christmas Dinner has been a resounding success due to the generous donations of local businesses, grant funding, and the time of local residents and members who took on vegetable peeling duties, packing presents and goodie bags, kitchen porter, delivery drivers, the list is endless of duties that volunteers undertook and my thanks to them for ensuring 750 free meals went out to families across the county borough on Christmas Eve ensuring that nobody went without.

Other Activities/Issues

While undertaking my role as Workforce Representative, I am the Spokesperson for Fire and Rescue Services, I have been involved with all stakeholders in the improvement journey following the publication of the Independent Culture Review on South Wales Fire and Rescue.

I was very honoured to be asked to speak at the launch of The Social Partnership Act for Senedd colleagues having been involved for many years in the construction of this legislation and believe the implementation of The Act will be of great benefit to Wales.

Councillor Jane Gebbie: Date: 24/07/2024