BCBC Councillor's Annual Report

Councillor M.J Evans

Ward: Pencoed and Penprysg

Party: Welsh Labour

This report identifies my key activities during the year ending **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 Pencoed and Penprysg on 05/05/2022.

I have undertaken a variety of roles within the Council this year by being on several committees including: -

Overview and Scrutiny Committee 1
Overview and Scrutiny Committee 3
Cabinet Committee Equalities
Town and Community Council Forum

I am also a representative for an outside body: - Coity Wallia Board of Conservators.

I have supported the residents of my ward on a variety of issues and have formally raised 42 constituent queries with the Council and other organisations. This is in addition to informally addressing several other issues which you have asked me to help you resolve.

Quality will always take precedence over quantity to drive deliverance.

To enable me to fulfil my role as your representative, I have attended numerous Member Development Activities which has assisted me to ensure that my knowledge of national and local issues affecting the Council and my ward is maintained.

Constituency Activity

I continue to build professional effective working relationships with all residents, business, relevant bodies and organisations and have enjoyed participating and contributing to numerous debates, discussions, meetings, resident surgeries and walk abouts throughout the Town.

Some examples of the most relevant and emotive topics I have debated, contributed and engaged with have been: -

The replacement of Penprysg Railway Bridge. (Ongoing).

Parking issues throughout the Town. (Ongoing).

Crime and Anti-Social Behaviour. (Ongoing through Safer Streets.)

Sports club pitches, provisions and facilities. (Ongoing.)

Educational Transport and Facilities.

Improvements to play areas and two upgrades of play parks Beechwood Heol Ewenny Pencoed and Pencoed Recreation Ground Felindre Road Pencoed.

I have links with Coychurch higher Community Council and attend when available their monthly meetings.

This has given me the opportunity to listen engage and discuss issues of concern.

Initiatives and Special Activities.

I am a Community Governor for Croesty Primary and Pencoed Comprehensive Schools.

A member of Pencoed Town Council since 2017.

I meet with representatives from Police and other relevant bodies/organisations via Safer Streets.

Other Activities/Issues

I carry out regular walks throughout the Town to ascertain any concerns / issues that require a referral.

I also continue to have discussions / emails / phone calls to listen and address the needs of the community.

I have held surgeries at Pencoed Library for residents to come and have a chat and raise their concerns over a cupper.

I also participated in resident surgeries in my role as a Pencoed Town Councillor.

Councillor M.J Evans (Melanie Jayne Evans): Date: 25/07/24