BCBC Councillor's Annual Report

Councillor R Malcolm James

Ward: Llangynwyd and Cwmfelin

Party: Plaid Cymru

This report identifies my key activities during the year ending April 2025. 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 and Cwmfelin again on 7th May 2022, for my third term. 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 over 80 constituent formal queries with the Council and many with other organisations. This is in addition to informally addressing a number of other issues which I have been asked to help 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 role and responsibilities can be found here **Councillor Malcolm James**.

Constituency Activity

I continue to be a governor at the Welsh comprehensive school, Ysgol Gyfan Cymraeg Llangynwyd, who are still having excellent reports for their hard work.

I'm also a governor of Llangynwyd infant and junior school and thoroughly enjoy my involvement there with the Head, teachers, and pupils, especially on St David's day.

I continue to sit on the Licencing Committee and spend much of my time working on constituents' queries, especially at the moment with finances, housing issues and of course the pothole issue that we are all facing with our poor road surfaces.

I also support Llangynwyd Community Council with local issues.

Initiatives and Special Activities

I will continue to fight for tidal power which I feel as an island is the better solution.

I am also continuing to work closely with our MS Luke Fletcher to improve our local community and continue to try and balance the injustices within our areas, the Valley must not be forgotten.

Other Activities/Issues

I am a member of a local rugby club, where you will find me at the gate each Saturday (Maesteg Quins) encouraging community-based sport has always been one of my aims and seeing how well the club has developed without any major funding other than from supporters and players is a great pleasure.

I am also now vice president of the Llynfi Valley Angling Association which helps give youngsters (a very cheap licence fee for under 16's - £5) and access to more outdoor activities, but people will be surprised that the river is stocked by the club at a cost of £7.20 per fish each year.

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