



Neath Port Talbot
Castell-nedd Port Talbot
County Borough Council Cyngor Bwrdeistref Sirol

Elected Member Annual Report (26th February, 2023)

Councillor Wayne Carpenter

Electoral Division: Neath East

Roles and Responsibilities:

Since I was elected as a Councillor for Neath East and as you will see in my report, I am very much hands on as a Member and very involved in my community including:

Member of Melin Primary and Gnoll Primary School Governors
A Board Member of Llewellyn Alms Houses

I sit on the below Committees in my role as County Borough Councillor:

Education, Lifelong Learning and Well Being Scrutiny
Environment, Regeneration and Street Scene Services Scrutiny
Democratic Services Committee
Governance and Audit Committee
Standards Committee
West Glam Archives Committee
Swansea Bay Port Health Authority
Margam Crematorium Joint Committee
Licensing and Gambling Committee
Registration and Licensing Committee
Trustee at Llewellyn Alms Houses

Community Activity:

During the past year I have supported my local constituents in what has been a very difficult year for many of them. Like all Council Members I have been involved in supporting our residents with issues including parking, fly-tipping, refuse collections, housing problems, flooding from the burst culvert within the ward, rubbish and drainage issues. I am also involved in representing local residents who have issues relating to the new Tai Tarian Housing Estate at Clos Castyn.

I have become involved in visiting and encouraging local businesses. I have even represented two of these businesses at a recent Planning Committee in the hope of encouraging more employment into the ward.

I regularly meet and keep contact with our PCSO's in the ward.

Initiatives and Special Activities:

During the year as a County Borough Councillor I have been involved in :

Working with a local church in the provision of warm space and a free breakfast club. I have also worked and helped the church with their Foodbank. I also now lead the worship at this church most Sunday's.

I have attended many performing arts events including school nativity plays. I have personally financed prizes for school arts competitions.

Learning and Devolvement:

In the previous Civic Year I have attended a large number of seminars and training sessions on a wide cross-section of important topics including all the council's corporate services. I have also undertaken training in all required events organised by the council too many to mention

Other Activities and Interests:

Prior to becoming a councillor in May 2022 I was heavily involved within the neighbourhood in bringing residents together for sing along's in the streets. This went on initially during the first lockdown of the pandemic every Sunday Evening for fourteen weeks resulting in a rebuilding of community and becoming a source of well-being to many. So much so that we still meet up for seasonal celebrations.

