

# RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNCILLOR'S ANNUAL REPORT

This is the report by Councillor Lewis Hooper regarding his key activities over the year ending 30<sup>th</sup> April, 2018. It is provided for the information of all constituents and for no other purpose.

**Councillor: Lewis Hooper**

**Electoral Division: Tonteg**

**Political Group: Conservative Party**

## **Section 1: Role & Responsibilities**

-My role first and foremost is to represent to the best of my ability the people who elected me, the residents of Tonteg.

-I attend meetings of the Full Council and the Pensions Committee of which I am a member.

-To raise with the relevant council department issues and/or concerns that are raised with me.

-To keep those who I represent informed of decisions taken by the council which affect them.

-To scrutinise the decision making of the cabinet and the executive.

-To hold myself to the highest possible standards at all times.

## **Section 2: Constituency Activity**

-I frequently deliver, to every household in Tonteg, an inTouch newsletter, informing residents of local news and the work that I am carrying out on their behalf.

-I hold quarterly advice surgeries in the cabin behind Tonteg Community Centre, where residents can discuss any issues they wish with me.

-I attend home visits to residents in the Tonteg ward if they so wish.

-I attend as many community events in and around Tonteg as I can, such as the Ysgol Ty Coch Christmas Fair and the Llantwit Fardre Community Council Christmas Fete.

-I attend and volunteer at the monthly Farmers Market which is held at the Tonteg Community Centre.

-I volunteer at the Care for the Elderly `Afternoon Tea` which is held at various locations in the Llantwit Fardre Community Council area.

-I regularly report potholes, broken pavements and broken streetlights on behalf of residents.

-I am a committee member and volunteer at the Tonteg Community Centre.

-I frequently attend the local PACT meeting with the local PCSO and liaise with the police regarding crime and antisocial behaviour in Tonteg.

-I regularly attend Llantwit Fardre Community Council meetings to be kept informed of decisions affecting Tonteg and its residents.

-I have a Facebook Page `Cllr Lewis Hooper` which I regularly use to update residents of upcoming events, recently made decisions and how I can be contacted.

## **Section 3: Initiatives and Special Activities**

Over the last twelve months I have worked on several initiatives for the ward of Tonteg.

-Organised a petition on behalf of residents of Church Road and the surrounding streets calling for

traffic calming measures along Church Road, which I submitted at a Full Council meeting.

- Met with road safety officers to call for traffic calming measures and/or a crossing outside Gwauncelyn Primary School.
- Met with planning officers and local residents regarding a planning application affecting Tonteg and subsequently raised these concerns at a meeting of the Planning and Development Committee.
- Met with highways department officers and wrote to the Cabinet Member responsible for Highways regarding the heavy congestion on Power Station Hill.
- Contacted the relevant bodies to seek a solution to the excessive parking around both Gwauncelyn Primary School and Ysgol Ty Coch.
- Campaigning for better play facilities at the play park in the Dell, including a resurfacing of the play park surface.

#### **Section 4: Learning & Development**

- Planning and Development training.
- Pensions training.
- ICT training.
- Citizens Advice training.

#### **Section 5: Other Activities and Issues**

**Signature of Councillor:**

L A Hooper

**Date: 03/05/2018**