

# RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNCILLOR'S ANNUAL REPORT

This is the report by Councillor Ann Crimmings regarding her key activities over the year ending March 31<sup>st</sup> 2018. It is provided for the information of all constituents and for no other purpose.

*Councillors are free to include as much or as little information as they wish in each section, however, the report is to be kept to this **2 page (maximum)** format.*

**Councillor: Ann Crimmings**

**Electoral Division: Aberdare West/Llwydcoed**

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

### **Cabinet Member for Environment & Leisure**

- Leisure
- Street Cleansing
- Waste & Recycling
- Transportation
- Street lighting
- Public rights of Way
- Fleet
- Parks & Countryside
- Home to School Transport
- Strategic Projects
- Heritage Service & Visitor Attractions
- Cultural Services (Strategic Projects)
- Emergency Planning

## **Section 2: Constituency Activity**

During 2017/18, I have continued to work closely with my Ward Colleagues to support residents with any concerns or issues. I also liaise with Ann Clwyd MP and Vikki Howells AM, providing assistance when they are dealing with their Casework.

I have supported individuals, families, businesses and groups, ensuring I am accessible to offer advice to resolve any issues they are experiencing.

I also attend monthly PACT meetings, working in partnership with the Police Officers, PCSO's, Council Officers and Housing Associations to address issues which affect the community, such as Antisocial Behaviour, Public Health, and Traffic and Licensing. In addition to this, I also attend the regular 'Briefing sessions' held by the Inspector at Aberdare Police Station.

As Chair of Governors at Aberdare Park Primary School I meet regularly with the Head Teacher and the Governors to discuss the operation of the school.

I support several groups within the community, including Cwmdare Voices and Dare to Sing Ladies Choir. I am proud to have been asked to also be the President of 'Showcase'.

As Chair of the Organising Committee for the Nos Galan Races I have continued to work with Council Officers and volunteers to stage the event – both in the planning and also the marshalling duties on the night.

The activities organised by the Cwmdare for Cwmdare (C4C) Committee continue to prove popular e.g. Easter egg hunt, trip to the beach, Christmas shopping trip, Carols on the Square, and various parties. As Secretary of this Committee, I have also been successful in accessing funding for an Arts/Mosaic project involving the local school. We are currently working with a local building company to build the structure to set the mosaic on. We also work closely with Cwmdare School on activities which benefit the wider community.

Working with the staff at Dare Valley Country Park we now hold monthly litter picks, encouraging the community to join us.

I also attend the Bryn Pica Liaison Group meetings.

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

I am Secretary of a newly formed group – Friends of Aberdare Park. This committee works alongside the Parks department providing support in ensuring the park is used to its full potential. We have undertaken a number of projects – with many more planned - one being the start of a weekly 'Parkrun'.

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

- Code of Conduct
- Trustee Training
- Twitter/LinkedIn

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

**Signature of Councillor:**

**Date: 04<sup>th</sup> May 2018**