

RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNCILLOR'S ANNUAL REPORT 2014-15

This is the report by Councillor Robert Smith regarding his key activities over the year ending 30 April 2015. It is provided for the information of all constituents and for no other purpose.

Councillor: Robert William Smith

Electoral Division: Rhondda Ward

Section 1: Role & Responsibilities

Vice Chair of Overview and Scrutiny Committee
Member of Audit Committee
Member of Community and Children's Scrutiny Committee
Member of Full Council
Governor of Maesycoed Primary School
Vice Chair of Police and Crime Panel
Member of Porth Communities First management board

Section 2: Constituency Activity

I undertake, on behalf of the local councillors, liaison with the Police Commander
I attend the local PACT meetings
I provide advice and support for constituents on matters related to the ward, for example, highways issues, Planning applications and neighbour disputes
I work closely with the management board of the Trehafod Community Hall advising, where necessary, and attending activities
I work in conjunction with my fellow Ward Councillor

Section 3: Initiatives and Special Activities

I provided the initial information with regard to the scheme for Safer Community Routes and worked closely with the school staff, children, and the wider community, to develop the proposal for implementation and for its successful completion
I continue to advocate for the residents parking scheme
I was involved with the Primary School in the competition to design a flag for the celebration of the signing of the Magna Carta. The school was a winner and its flag was made, and flown, in Parliament Square and at Runemedde

Section 4: Learning & Development

I have attended training events provided by the Borough Council

As member of the Police and Crime Panel I have attended training and conference events

Section 5: Other Activities and Issues

I have been involved with the residents of Hopkinstown with regard to the speed of traffic through the area

I am a member of the Community Speed Watch scheme using the hand held speed camera

I have an active interest in the Royal British Legion and serve as the Vice Chair

As a councillor, on the outskirts of Pontypridd, I have an interest in the regeneration of the town and involve myself with the Town Ward councillor on related matters

For relaxation I enjoy football and singing with Pendyrus Male Choir