

## WREXHAM COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL MEMBER ANNUAL REPORT

This is the report by the Councillor below regarding their key activities over the year ending 31 May 2013. It is provided for the information of all constituents and for no other purpose.

*Completion instructions.*

**Councillor:** Phil Wynn

**Party:** Democratic Independents

**Ward:** Brynyffynnon

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

I sit on the following committees :

As the only non-aligned councillor at that time I served on the Planning Committee only, as per the council's constitution on allocation of seats on scrutiny committees.

I was also a member of the elected Members Children's Home Rota Visits Panel.

### **Section 2: Constituency Activity**

1. Attended and supported five residents group – Bradley Road, Bryn Offa, Homestead and Foxwood Drive, Maesgwyn and Pentre Bach.
2. Challenging the Planning Department on the inadequate allocation of Public Open Space on the Pentre Bach housing estate. Ongoing.
3. Challenging council officers to recognize the need to address the potential flooding of residential areas by the River Gwenfro. Ongoing.
4. Like all elected members my role requires me to advice, assist and represent constituents on how best to resolve personal issues and grievances they may have with various council departments. Such issues are usually resolved by a phone call or an email to the relevant council officer but many issues are protracted and can take months to resolve if at all.

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

1. Assisting fellow Ysgol Clywedog governors in progressing our joint venture with Brickfield Rangers FC. Ongoing project which needs to gain planning consent and the drafting of a lease for the youth football club to use the school's recreational fields.
2. As the treasurer for the North Wales Miners Association I have been involved in securing the necessary grant to enable the mining heritage group to adapt an ex-library bus into a mobile coal-mining heritage centre.
3. I am in negotiations with the owners of the Island Green retail park to provide a pedestrian opening in their boundary stone wall on Watery Road. Ongoing and has been for the last ten years.
4. Was able to influence officers to update their council's complaints procedure by way of the scrutiny process, in light of information brought to my attention by a constituent's close relative who was deeply unhappy with the handling of a complaint brought against the council by way of the Public Ombudsman.

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

I have attended various training/information workshops run by the council for the benefit of elected members.

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

1. Chairperson for the Premises Committee at Ysgol Clywedog. Involved in the recruitment process for a replacement Head and Deputy Head teacher.
2. In the capacity as a Community Councillor, I have regularly attended the monthly meetings held by Offa Community Council.
3. Served on the management committees for the Bellevue and Maesgwyn Community Centres.
4. Regularly attended the Friends of Bellevue Park monthly meetings.
5. Liaising with various interested parties in trying to secure a future for the Mines Recue Station on Maesgwyn Rd. Ongoing.