



**VALE OF GLAMORGAN COUNCIL
COUNCILLOR'S ANNUAL REPORT – MAY 2022 – MAY 2023**

Name of Councillor	Emma Goodjohn	Group	Labour
Ward	Dyfan	Date Last Elected	May 2022

Council Positions / Committee Memberships Held (May 2022 – May 2023)

Learning & Culture Scrutiny Committee

I am also a member of, and contribute to the work of, the following Outside Bodies, School Governing Bodies and Partnerships:

Council representative

School Budget Forum
Glamorgan Heritage Coast Advisory Group (Vice Chair)
YMCA Management Board
Buttrills Community Association (Chair)
Highlight Park Community Centre
Highlight Park Neighbourhood Watch
Colcot Residents Association

Other (e.g. WLGA capacity)

Constituency Activity and Achievements

I support residents daily with a broad range of issues both individually and groups of residents. It is important to share concerns in order to find positive solutions.

Continually working to build community groups/spirit, throughout Dyfan.
Organising/running events and creating community spaces.

In White Farm Park I am working closely with the Council and Ecologists, to make areas of useable community space but also maintaining the biodiversity of this newly adopted SSI park.

Holding well attended events in Highlight Park including Summer Festivals, Film Events, Defibrillator Training, curry and quiz night and successful Easter events in Buttrills and Family Funday in Colcot.

I organise public PACT meetings across the ward. The Police and Vale Enforcement Officers attended to talk face-to-face about residents' problems and concerns. I regularly attend Neighbourhood Watch and residents' meetings.

I have taken the lead in reopening Buttrills Community Centre. I am pleased that the centre is building and now holds regular community events as well as providing space for regular users and affordable hire.

With a dedicated group of volunteers, I have created a weekly Warmspace at Buttrills Community Centre every Friday 11-2pm, providing free lunches, snacks and drinks. This runs alongside an open access Foodbank (including Pet food) and is open to everyone in these difficult times of high living costs. Free period dignity products are also available from the centre. I am usually present and now floating support workers attend, providing additional support if required.

Learning and Development

This section covers your Personal Development in your role as a councillor. You should include all training events that you have participated in and any developmental events that you have attended.

DATE	BRIEFING / TRAINING UNDERTAKEN	MANDATORY
10.05.22	Market Place Induction Event	Yes
12.05.22	Ethics and Standards	Yes
19.05.22	Rules of Debate	Yes
22.06.22	Finance	Yes
30.06.22	Equalities and Diversity	Yes
05.07.22	Corporate Safeguarding	Yes
24.06.22	GDPR (iDev)	Yes
16.05.22	Civico (iDev)	Yes
12.07.22	Introduction to Scrutiny (video)	Yes
07.06.22	General Charing & Questioning Skills (GHCAG - Vice)	Yes

17.05.22	Introduction to the Council and Local Corporate Governance	No
19.05.22	Corporate Plan	No
27.05.22	Planning for non Planning Committee Members	No
19.07.22	Regeneration, Economic Development and Tourism	No
19.07.22	Personal Safety and Self Care	No
02.08.22	Annual Self Assessment Briefing	No
22.07.22	Violence against Women, Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence (iDev)	No
27.09.22	Equalities in Decision Making and Scrutiny	No
29.09.22	Corporate Performance Reporting	No
03.10.22	Womens Rights and Gender Equality	No
10.10.22	Working with the Media	No
14.10.22	Digital Citizen	No
25.10.22	Member Budget Briefing	No
01.11.22	Community Leadership and Casework	No
07.11.22	Renting Homes Wales Act	No
11.11.22	Barry Biomass - Enforcement Appeal Briefing	No
15.12.22	Cardiff Capital Region City Deal - Aberthaw	No
20.12.22	Draft Annual Delivery Plan	No
26.01.23	Service Plans and Target Setting Member Briefing	No

Priorities For The Year Ahead

Actively attending Healthy Living and Social Care Scrutiny Committee alongside my current positions.

Continue to organise PACT meetings and community events.

Continue Warmspace & Foodbank.

Support youth activities and play area upgrades.

Raise awareness of the ecology in White Farm Park.

Along with fellow Dyfan Labour Councillors support users of the bus service, liaise with the Golf Club and residents to overcome issues. Continue to oppose the incinerator. Work with the Council to improve road safety and reduce anti-social behaviour.

I am here to support you, please get in touch on my email, telephone or Facebook. I can arrange to visit you or drop into the Warm Space for a drink and chat.

Signature Of Councillor: E. Goodjohn

Date: 30.05.23