



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

Name of Councillor	Ewan Goodjohn	Group	Welsh Labour
Ward	Cadoc	Date Last Elected	05/05/22

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

Youth Champion
Corporate Performance and Resources Scrutiny Committee (Vice-Chair)
Public Protection Licensing Committee
Statutory Licensing Committee
Governance and Audit Committee
Democratic Services Committee
Democratic Services Sub-Committee

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

Council representative

Standing Advisory Committee on Religious Education

Other (e.g. WLGA capacity)

Constituency Activity and Achievements

The Vale Council's commitment to protecting the most vulnerable people in these trying times has shielded the least privileged people in the Vale, but also furthered the budgetary constraints the council has had to deal with under inflation and huge real-terms cuts to local government which is already to the bone along with the huge impacts of the cost-of-living crisis on Cadoc's residents.

Despite this we have also had successes, such as a new CCTV camera in Main Street, the refurbishment of Lennox Green, and our fantastic community events and initiatives I have been able to help support which continue to be hugely beneficial for residents today. The Council has also developed a new procurement strategy, which is a crucial step toward a rapid reduction of our carbon emissions.

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.

My learning over this year is immeasurable, but for the sake of succinctness here is a list of sessions I have attended, though my development has primarily been through active participation in the community and with the decision-making process, speaking with experts and residents.

DATE	BRIEFING / TRAINING UNDERTAKEN	MANDATORY
09.05.22	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
04.07.22	Corporate Safeguarding	Yes
19.07.22	Civico (iDev)	Yes
26.07.22	GDPR (iDev)	Yes

26.05.22	Licensing	Yes
26.05.22	Introduction to Scrutiny	Yes
13.06.22	Governance and Audit	Yes
09.06.22	Scrutiny Chairing Skills (CPR Vice-Chair)	Yes
21.06.22	Treasury Management	Yes

18.05.22	Corporate Plan	No
08.06.22	General Chairing & Questioning Skills	No
11.07.22	Unaudited Statement of Accounts (Annual Briefing)	No
19.07.22	Violence against Women, Domestic Abuse and	No

	Sexual Violence (iDev)	
20.07.22	Regeneration, Economic Development and Tourism	No
26.07.22	Fast Track Cardiff and Vale and HIV Action Plan Briefing	No
02.08.22	Annual Self Assessment Briefing	No
29.09.22	Corporate Performance Reporting	No
10.10.22	Working with the Media	No
25.10.22	Member Budget Briefing	No
01.11.22	Community Leadership and Casework	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
27.02.23	Treasury Management Training	No
31.03.23	SPG for Retail and Town Centre Development - Member briefing	No
28.04.23	Oracle Fusion	No

Priorities For The Year Ahead

Lots is still required to fully achieve what I set out to do, which is why much of my work this past year is here rather than as an achievement, they are not yet delivered.

Creating safer communities on the roads and streets of Cadoc is proving to be the most difficult challenge, for women and girls facing violence, and neighbours in Coldbrook and Victoria Park along with so many others dealing with regular speeding and unsafe highways. Continuous lobbying for better street lighting, bus stops, and crossings along with delivering an active travel route for Cardiff Road and supporting the roll-out of common sense 20 mph zones. Also, much of this is a policing issue which will require constant work with our local PCSOs.

I am also going to continue focusing on appealing the Barry incinerator, as I hope we are in the endgame of the decades long process, with the people of Barry finally seeing success in defeating the plant. In the less visible realm of committees, I will do everything possible to accelerate the decarbonisation process in the council, to ensure the Council is successful in reaching net-zero by 2030.

Finally, I will further my collaboration with the youth service and I hope if you are reading this you will consider reaching out to join the Vale Youth Council, I will also keep working towards finally getting an accessible play area for Palmerston.

Signature Of Councillor: E. Goodjohn

Date: 29/05/23