



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

Name of Councillor	Ian Johnson	Group	Plaid Cymru
Ward	Buttrills	Date Last Elected	Mai 2022

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

Leader, Plaid Cymru Group
 Corporate Performance and Resources Scrutiny Committee
 Planning Committee
 Chair, Democratic Services Committee
 Democratic Services Sub-Committee
 Deputy Chair, Corporate Parenting Panel
 Senior Management Appointment Committee

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

Council representative

Alexandra Gardens Community Association Trustee

Other (e.g. WLGA capacity)

Barry Town Council
 Deputy Chair, BTC Personnel Cttee
 Chair, BTC Fairtrade Cttee
 Volunteer at Barry Arts Festival
 Volunteer at Barry Town United AFC

Constituency Activity and Achievements

- Argued for a lower increase in Council Tax than that proposed by Labour/Llantwit First.
- Argued against substantial increase in Council House rents
- Debated the reasons for the Council's substantial increase in reserves during 2021/22
- Spoke in favour of the Vale of Glamorgan becoming a Council of Sanctuary
- Spoke against Model Farm development in Planning Cttee, which was rejected
- Objected to Licensing Application for shop in Evelyn Street that would impact residents. Proposed opening hours were reduced after the meeting.
- Requested Planning Cttee debate on proposals for 15 flats in Crossways Methodist Church
- Liaised with residents and Social Services around change of use of a house to support Looked After Children in Barry
- Liaised with Education Department about Ysgol Sant Baruc's move to the Waterfront and the future use of the current site
- Contributed regularly to Corporate Performance and Resource Scrutiny, including requesting reports on contract overspends, and scrutinising performance management and Project Zero commitments
- Liaised with Holton Road Traders Association on issues relating to street-café licenses and anti-social behaviour
- Spoke with residents and police to resolve anti-social behaviour in an unattended building near Aberystwyth Crescent
- Dealt with residents concerns about green garden waste collection delays in Summer 2022
- Attended Public Services Board workshop on resolving poverty related issues in Barry
- Regularly reported fly-tipping around the centre of Barry to Neighbourhood Services

Asked Council questions on the following topics

- Social Care Waiting Lists
- Council House Building
- Model Farm Planning Decisions
- Welsh Medium Education in the Vale of Glamorgan
- Increasing Free School Meals to all children
- Barry Docks Incinerator
- Fly-tipping and Graffiti
- Youth Employment Opportunities
- Flooding considerations at a new-build St Richard Gwyn School
- Parking Enforcement
- Holton Road Market
- Refugees and Asylum Seekers
- Fairtrade foods and procurement
- Public Art Commissioned by the Council
- Bus Services and the new Barry Docks Interchange
- Introduction of Garden Waste Collection Charges

- Equality Impact Assessments and the Council Budget

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
31.10.22	Finance (Video)	Yes
30.06.22	Equalities and Diversity	Yes
31.10.22	Corporate Safeguarding (Video)	Yes
28.07.22	GDPR (iDev)	Yes
21.07.22	Civico (iDev)	Yes
26.05.22	Planning	Yes
12.07.22	Intro to Scrutiny (Video)	Yes
31.10.22	General Chairing Skills (Video)	Yes
31.10.22	Treasury Management (Video)	Yes
	Governance and Audit	No
29.06.22	Section 106 Member Development	No
11.07.22	Unaudited Statement of Accounts (Annual Briefing)	
31.07.22	Personal Safety and Self Care	No
28.07.22	Violence against Women, Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence (iDev)	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
27.02.23	Treasury Management Training	No
31.03.23	SPG for Retail and Town Centre Development - Member briefing	No

Priorities For The Year Ahead

- Continue to support investment in Holton Road improvements, local parks and play facilities
- Scrutinise Council activities to get best value and performance for residents

Signature Of Councillor: Ian Johnson **Date:** 30.05.2023