



VALE OF GLAMORGAN COUNCIL
COUNCILLOR'S ANNUAL REPORT: MAY 2024 – MAY 2025

Name of Councillor	Emma Goodjohn	Group	Labour
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Ward	Dyfan	Date Last Elected	2022
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Council Positions / Committee Memberships Held (May 2024 – May 2025)

Learning and Culture Scrutiny Committee Member
Glamorgan Heritage Coast (Vice-Chair)

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
YMCA Trustee Management Board & Safeguarding Lead
School Governor (Whitmore High)
Curriculum Development and Pupil Wellbeing Committee and Workforce Management, Development and Wellbeing Committee for Whitmore High.

Buttrills Community Association (Chair)
Highlight Park Community Centre
Highlight Park Neighbourhood Watch
Colcot Residents Association
Community Advisory Panel

Other (e.g. WLGA capacity)

Barry Town Council
Planning Committee
Halls & Cemetery Committee (Vice-Chair)

Constituency Activity and Achievements

Held Councillor Surgeries and was contacted directly to effectively help the people of Dyfan with a wide range of issues including but not limited to housing, public health, planning, the environment to public buildings, social services, public transport and schools.

Completed Ward walks with PCSOs and kept regular communication with Police Sergeants to tackle ASB and crime in Dyfan. Knocked doors to offer support with any issues or concerns.

Supporting and empowering volunteers to organise/run events and make them a success: Easter event Colcot Residents Association White Farm Park, Highlight Park Residents Meeting and Orchard Pruning and Tree Planting Events as well as regular Litter picking. Hive Guys Warmspace at Buttrills CC Supporting attendees, promoting and helping to find funding.

I am supporting Colcot Primary School to hold their event in May, by helping to plan and provide live music free of charge as a professional musician (as I do regularly for Community Events in the Vale).

There will also be a Summer Engagement Event we are organising at White Farm Park on July 30th.

Linking volunteers with different support and rewards such as GVS and Value in the Vale and Volunteer organisations with funded projects like the Period Dignity Scheme.

With fellow Councillor I completed a sponsored walk of the entire Glamorgan Heritage Coast raising £1,300 for the RNLI and National Coast Watch.

Following speaking at Planning meetings, the incinerator applications have been declined.

Attended meetings with Lee Selby to help young people in the area.

Closely supporting and helping volunteers to run and improve Dyfan Community Centres.

Reminding the council and working to consult on new plans, upgrades to Buttrills Estate Playground are due to start in July to be completed in September.

New quality social homes at Colcot clinic for local people completed, residents happy with their new homes.

I became a school governor for Whitmore High this year and supported the decision to federate with Pencoedtre High. This will help provide a fair, equitable and high standard of education for all the young people no matter where in Barry they live.

Pushed for more consultation with the public and groups on the old Colcot Sports Centre site, to find out opinions. We now have support from the placemaking team to achieve this through engagement events and other means.

Working with White Farm residents to liaise with Persimmon on a wide range of topics.

Supporting residents of Awbrey House on upgrades to the building amongst other issues.

Learning and Development

Biodiversity Training

Orchard Maintenance & Tree Pruning

Governor training:

Finance,

Roles and responsibilities of governors: 'knowing my school'

Understanding and promoting a culture of vigilance

Headteacher Performance Management

The role of data in supporting self-evaluation and improvement in schools - 'what governors need to know and why'

High Standards and Aspirations: Equity and Excellence for All

Equality

DATE	BRIEFING / TRAINING UNDERTAKEN	MANDATORY
Jun-24	Progressive Community Leadership Programme	No
02.12.24	MTFP Refresh	No
28.03.25	New Directorate Plans	No
Non Mandatory Training via i'Dev offered to Members	Managing your Time	
	Building Better Habits	
	365 Handy Hints	

Priorities For The Year Ahead

- I have now been appointed as Equality Champion and a member of the new Resources Scrutiny Committee and appointed to sit on the Welsh Church Act. I will work hard in these new roles as well as my existing positions for the people of Dyfan.
- Ensure that all residents of Dyfan feel supported and heard. Make sure Dyfan ward is safe, maintained and a great place to live and work in. Engage and reach residents by going to them to offer help & support.
- Continuing to support neighbours and welcome new residents when the new Olive Lodge opens.
- Effectively consulting and engaging with residents on the old Colcot Sports Centre site, to find out what local people want and need to help bring this into being.
- Make sure that the improvements to the Playground in Buttrills estate are completed.
- Ensure progress is made to have the footpath on White Farm estate repaired.

Signature Of Councillor: E.J. Goodjohn

Date: 02/05/2025