

## **CIlr PENNY JONES -RAGLAN WARD**

### **ANNUAL REPORT**

**2016-2017**

#### **SELECT COMMITTEES:**

- **Chair of Children and Young People Select**– Issues affecting young people in the county e.g. Education, 21<sup>st</sup> Century Schools, Estyn Report and subsequent planning, Safeguarding and Children’s Services.
- **Adults Select**– Matters under discussion include e.g Housing, Homelessness, Welfare Reform and the impact, Vulnerable adults, Residential/Nursing Care, Lifestyle and work with Social Services.
- **Democratic Services** – Scrutiny of Council functions, Overview of member development and democratic function, Scrutiny of committees and the members; ensuring the smooth running of the Council.
- **Public Service Board Select**
- **Co-ordinating Board**
- **Scrutiny Chairs Committee**
- **Estyn/WAO regular meetings**

#### **COMMITTEES/PANELS:**

- **Monmouthshire Central Area Committee** – Review of local issues across the central wards.
- **Education Advisory Group - Risk and Audit Committee**
- **Adoption Panel** – Representing MCC working alongside Torfaen, Islwyn and Blaenau Gwent – monthly meetings to discuss placement of children for adoption.
- **Co-Ordinating Board**
- **MCA** – Usk Branch Secretary. Fund-raising and support of MCA.

## **CONSTITUENCY MATTERS/Raglan Community Council**

**Ward Duties include:**

- **Raglan Community Council member**
- **Governor of Raglan Primary School and various sub committees**
- **Raglan Working Group member (Community Hall)**
- **Surgery in ward on alternate months**

**Representing residents where possible – within MCC guidelines. on issues such as –**

**Highways**

**Parking**

**Lighting**

**Removal of Hedges/Trees**

**Neighbours**

**School transport**

**Allotment Issues**

**Dog-fouling**

**Planning issues**

**School Transport**

**Farming issues**

### **SCHOOL GOVERNOR:**

**It has been a privilege to be a School Governor of Raglan Primary School working with, challenging and supporting Mr. Piper, the Head Teacher, and all the Staff especially during the move to their new School.**

**I try to support and visit the school as often as I can and participate in the events and displays that the pupils plan and work so hard to make successful.**

**I also attend the School Council Meeting which is run by the pupils.**

### **TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT:**

**As a Councillor, I have attended training events and seminars on e.g. Equality, Planning, I.T, Governor Training, Scrutiny, Safeguarding, Children's Services etc.**

**Gwent Music Support Service –where possible I supported this excellent organisation.**