



**CYNGOR CAERDYDD
CARDIFF COUNCIL
Adroddiad Blynyddol i
Aelodau Etholedig 2018
Annual Report for Elected
Members 2018**

**Cynghorydd/ Councillor: Ali
Ahmed, Norma Mackie, Sarah Merry
and Chris Weaver**

Plaid/ Party: Labour

Ward: Cathays

Etholwyd / Elected: 4 May 2017

This report identifies my key activities over the municipal year 2017/18 ending 24 May 2018. It is provided for the information of all constituents and for no other purpose.

Section 1: Role & Responsibilities

We were elected to sit on the Council representing the Cathays Ward on the 6th May 2017.

Cathays Ward has approximately 20,121 residents, and it covers all of the Cathays area, taking in the Civic Buildings and Cardiff University along with the City Centre encompassing the train station, the Motorpoint Arena, St David's Centre, Queen Street and the Capitol Centre along with the Castle and Bute Park. Cathays has a large student population and Houses of Multiple Occupation (HMO's) but is also recreating the residential community feel of Cathays as a thriving part of the City where families want to live. The City Centre residents mostly live in flats in a continually growing vibrant city. We took up the following posts in this year and sat on the following committees:

Cllr Ali Ahmed :

Member of the Planning Committee
Member of Community and Adult Scrutiny Committee

Attendance Record can be viewed here: [Attendance](#)

Learning & Development Record can be viewed here: [Learning](#)

Cllr Norma Mackie :

Deputy Whip
Member of the Environment Scrutiny Committee including 2 task and finish groups
Member of the Policy, Review, Audit and Performance (PRAP) Scrutiny Committee including 1 task and finish group
Member of the Licensing and Public Protection Committee
Member of the Association of Port Health Authorities Committee
Member of the Health and Safety Advisory Forum

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Cllr Sarah Merry :

Deputy Leader

Cabinet Member for Education, Employment and Skills

Chair of the Corporate Parenting Advisory Committee

Chair of the Local Authority Governor Panel

Member of the Cardiff and Vale College Board

Member of the Central South Consortium Joint Education Services Joint Committee

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Cllr Chris Weaver :

Cabinet Member for Finance, Modernisation and Performance

Chair of the Employment Conditions Committee

Chair Pensions Committee

Member of the Investment Advisory Panel

Chair of the Works Council

Chair of the Health and Safety Advisory Forum

Member of Prosiect Gwyrdd

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We have represented constituents at Planning and Licensing Committees and at Full Council Meetings. We have attended numerous pre-planning consultations with developers.

Section 2: Constituency Activity

We hold 6 Ward surgeries a month plus a monthly joint surgery with the MP Jo Stevens and have dealt with hundreds of resident's issues including Housing, Council Tax, Benefits, Health Care, Road & Highway, parking, parks, drugs, family, contractors, safeguarding.

We have attended regular PACT meetings, Community Centre Meetings and events, Cathays Compass events, Keep Cathays Tidy Litter Picks and general community events.

Initiatives and Special Activities

We have worked very closely with community organisations to improve facilities in Cathays, and have initiated the spending of section 106 monies to improve community facilities in areas and organisations. We have negotiated suitable cycle highways and parking for residents. We have worked with Planning to influence Supplementary Planning Guidance and Waste Management to educate and improve student compliance. We have supported and attended number of fundraising and campaign events. We have produced and delivered flyers and newsletters throughout the year.

Other Activities/Issues

Supported and assisted many public events in Cathays Ward for example Cathays Fair, Spring Picnic, Schools events, Save Womanby Street, Community Centre Events and Faith events.

Councillors Ali Ahmed, Norma Mackie, Sarah Merry and Chris Weaver