

Annual Report 2019

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Once again it has been a very busy year and it is good to end it with the start of the implementation of the speed reduction for Newchurch, Winford Road and a section of Canteen Road near the Whiteley Bank roundabout. It has been a huge learning curve on how long it takes to get things done when working in a very bureaucratic system but with determination and perseverance we are achieving the necessary outcomes for residents.

In December the Housing Support Portfolio was brought into my Cabinet role so we can start to look at a far more person-centred approach and tackle the need for the right housing for Island residents' needs.

Collaborative working is still the best way of achieving results in this current economic climate, with both my ward work and Cabinet role.

Care Closer to Home and Living Well strategies have now got national recognition for the results it has, in ensuring that all our residents have the right to 'live well longer'.

Public Health has had huge changes this year with Directorship and issues within some of our commissioned services, but these have been dealt with professionally. A good example of this is how the commissioning of Inclusion for our Drugs and Alcohol service has gone from what was a failing service to now achieving excellent results.

Do I still enjoy my role two years in? Yes, and once again here is to another busy year in the best role anyone could wish to have. It is an honour and a privilege to represent my Ward and the Island.

Clare Mosdell
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