

## Councillor Dawn Cousins - Newport North Ward

## Annual Report 2012

My work as the Newport North ward councillor has kept me very busy over the past year, I am pleased to have had the opportunity to work very closely with many residents, the two parish councils, local police and other community organisations and am grateful for their support in sustaining communications.

I continue to deal as swiftly as possible with concerns and queries and bring about any improvements that are needed. Particularly pleasing was the work last year to ensure the 39 Bus Service continued operating. I have also worked to secure improvements to Seaclose Park including a refurbished netball pitch and shower facility. The toilets have been refurbished and the play area enlarged and made safer.

Since elected I have worked closely with both the IWC Licensing unit and the Isle Wight Festival organisers to ensure residents concerns and requirements during this international event are delivered maximising enjoyment and minimising disruption.

I continue to take up the concerns about the proliferation of licensed premises in the Newport town centre and am currently involved in seeking to ensure improvements to the Guildhall and Newport Harbour.

In addition to my ward work I am the Cabinet member for Childrens Services and Education and my monthly reports to Full Council can be found on the IWC website.

Dawn Cousins May 2012