

## **A WORD FROM THE MAYOR Cllr Annalyn Davies**

Becoming Town Mayor is a great honour and it is my privilege to serve the communities of St. Clears and Bancyfelin to the best of my ability.

During 2023, the Town Council took over the daily running of Y Gât formerly run by Carmarthenshire County Council. This is an achievement to be extremely proud of and I as part of Y Gât Steering Committee look forward to creating a business and community hub which will bring new life to the heart of the town. A facilitator has been appointed in order to promote Y Gât and to ensure its success.

The Town Council has also been successful in obtaining grants from Carmarthenshire County Council as part of the Ten Towns programme in line with the St.Clears Economic Recovery and Growth Plan. I am delighted to be part of this as it will ensure that the town will become a vibrant, lively tourist attraction and with all the proposed improvements, a town which its residents can be proud of.

I have a passion for supporting the community and this has been evident through the setting up of Croeso Cynnes at Y Gât which serves to provide a safe, warm and friendly environment for people to meet, chat and have free refreshments. This has proved extremely successful as it addresses a need in the area. The support it has given to the most vulnerable within the community has been greatly appreciated and it will now continue until a commercial café is in place.

I have endeavoured to raise the Town Council's profile by engaging with various youth groups and organisations and inviting them to come to the Council Chamber to meet the Mayor and find out about the work of the council. I have also visited residential homes and schools within the ward. A new FB page has been set up in order to keep people informed about what is going on and to share information about Council activities. (Cyngor Tref Sanclêr/St. Clears Town Council)

I would like to thank everyone within the Town Council and residents alike for all the support I have been given. These are exciting times for St. Clears and I am delighted to be driving this vision forward to ensure a brighter and more prosperous future for the town and surrounding areas.