

Mayor of the County Borough of Merthyr Tydfil 2008 - 2009

Councillor Clive Jones

Councillor Clive T Jones was the Mayor for the year 2008/2009 and has represented the Park Ward since 2004. He was previously a Councillor of the Town Ward from 1995 to 1999.

He was born in 27 Ernest Street, Merthyr Tydfil in August 1943 and lived there for 36 years before moving to his current address in Lakeside Gardens. He married Jane the (Mayoress) in December 1973 and has a daughter Rachel.

He was educated at Twynrodyn Junior and Cyfarthfa Castle Grammar School. In 1960 he left school to begin a career as a Local Government Officer with Merthyr Tydfil County Borough which lasted for 33 ½ years. After leaving Local Government he was appointed a member of staff of the public service union UNISON working in Bridgend and the Regional Office in Transport House, Cardiff for 7 ½ years. He retired in January 2006.

He has been a member of the Labour Party for 39 years and an active trade unionist all his working life. He was Branch Secretary of NALGO in Merthyr Tydfil for 17 years and a member of NALGO / UNISON for 49 years.

The Mayor is an active member of the Church of Wales. He is a Parochial Church Council Member and was one of the Church Wardens for 22 years until 1998. He has attended St Tydfil's Church and St David's Church for the past 60 years.

He is a Trustee and founder member of the Merthyr Tydfil Branch of Crossroads and is a life member, Trustee and Vice Chairman of the Local Branch of Mind.

One of his other dedicated interests is the National Health Service. He was a member of the Merthyr and Cynon Valley Community Health Council from 1974 to 1992 and has been a carer/member of the Merthyr Local Health Board since 2003 and has been the Acting Chairman of the Board since 2007.

The Mayor's Appeal for 2008/2009 is for the Merthyr Tydfil Branch of Crossroads for Carers and the Local Branch of Mind, the Mental Health Charity.

He has been a staunch supporter of Merthyr Tydfil Football Club for over 55 years.

The Mayor's Appeal 2008/2009 raised over £26,000 and the Mayor Councillor Clive T Jones would like to thank the people of the County Borough of Merthyr Tydfil for their generous donations and support throughout his year in office.