

City & County of Swansea - Councillor's Annual Report 2014-2015

This Councillor's Annual Report outlines their activities over the year ending **18 May 2015**. It is provided for the information of all constituents and for no other purpose. The views expressed in this report are those of the Councillor and do not necessarily reflect the views of the City and County of Swansea.

Councillor: Mandy Evans	Electoral Division: Bonymaen
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Senior Salary Position:	Chair of Services Cabinet Advisory Committee (from 1 October 2014)
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Section 1: Constituency activities

Surgeries were held three times each month. I also undertook regular walkabouts within the ward to meet my constituents.

I worked with all organisations within my ward and within Swansea to develop working relationships to build confidence and to enhance opportunities for my constituents.

I worked with the Police, Communities First and Swansea East Food Bank. I visited schools in my ward to support the pupils and the staff.

I am currently working on parking issues around the schools and other hotspots within the ward. I have been working on issues within the Local Development Plan (LDP), also the disposal of Council land within the ward.

Section 2: Councillor attendance at selected Council body meetings

Attendance at Council body meetings is only one of the important elements of a Councillor's duties. Councillors are also active by holding surgeries, attending meetings and dealing with general electoral division enquiries.

Attendance % based on Committee membership shown below:

Area 1 Development Control Committee	4	/	7	57	%
Corporate Parenting Forum	1	/	1	100	%
Council	16	/	17	94	%
Development Management & Control Committee	6	/	7	86	%
Equalities Committee	2	/	5	40	%
Joint Consultative Committee	0	/	1	0	%
General Licensing Committee	2	/	2	100	%
Place Cabinet Advisory Committee	3	/	4	75	%
Scrutiny Programme Committee	3	/	9	33	%
Services Cabinet Advisory Committee	3	/	3	100	%
Statutory Licensing Committee	1	/	1	100	%
Trustees Panel	2	/	2	100	%
OVERALL	43	/	59	73	%

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Scrutiny meetings:					
Car parking Scrutiny Working Group	2	/	2	100	%
Economic Inactivity Scrutiny Inquiry Panel	0	/	1	0	%
Schools Scrutiny Performance Panel	0	/	12	0	%
Wellbeing Scrutiny Performance Panel	0	/	6	0	%
OVERALL	2	/	21	10	%

Section 3: Councillors role and responsibilities

Chair Advisory to Cabinet for Services

As Chair of the Services Cabinet Advisory Committee, agenda items include:

Quality Partnerships, Statutory Quality Partnerships & Quality Bus Contracts

Integrated Transport Plan

Park & Ride facilities

Residents Parking Policy

Cycle Paths / Action Plans

Car Parking Enforcement

Building relationships with groups to raise awareness of access to public transport.

Director – Bay Leisure

Trustee Director – Welsh Association for the Deaf

Foster Panel

Currently assisting in review of Adult Services.

Section 4: Initiatives and Special activities

I am a trustee of Swansea East Food bank, where as a volunteer I assist in supporting the Food bank by seeking donations and working with organisations to secure partnerships to build and enhance the service which is needed to support residents in Swansea who are experiencing difficulty in the current economy.

I have worked with 'Women Making a Difference' where I have been supporting women in the community to build confidence to set up community projects.

WMAD is a capacity building programme that educates and encourages women in Wales to have the skills, confidence, and mind-set to become the leaders in their communities and decision-makers at all levels of public and political life.

The training courses are free of charge and open to every woman in Wales. There are no prerequisites to join and we support women with travel expenses and childcare where necessary.

WMAD has given me the opportunity to encourage women in my ward to build confidence to make a difference in my community.

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Section 5: Learning and Development

I attended the following training sessions:

15/10/2014 - Treasury Management in Local Government

13/10/2014 - Safeguarding

08/10/2014 - How to get the most out of your tablet / smart phone

03/07/2014 - Freedom of Information Training

03/07/2014 - Data Protection (Including role as Data Controller) Training

Section 6: Other activities and issues

School Governor in Cefn Hengoed and Pentrechwyth.

Attended PACT meeting held in St Illtyds Primary School.

A member of Swansea East Food Bank where I worked with First Great Western (FGW) to receive donations to support our food bank.

I have attended Communities First meetings

I have worked with residents to fight against anti-social behaviour issues in the ward.

Section 7: Councillors Remuneration

Basic Salary: £13,300 (up to end September 2014)

Senior Salary: £22,000 Chair of Services Cabinet Advisory Committee (from 1 October 2014)

Councillors travel and subsistence claim forms can be viewed here:

<http://democracy.swansea.gov.uk/ecCatDisplay.aspx?sch=doc&cat=13266&path=0&LLL=0>

Councillors annual expenses and allowances can be viewed here:

<http://democracy.swansea.gov.uk/ecCatDisplay.aspx?sch=doc&cat=13284&path=0&LLL=0>

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