

City & County of Swansea - Councillor's Annual Report 2013-2014

This Councillor's Annual Report outlines their activities over the year ending **7 May 2014**. 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: Anthony Colburn	Electoral Division: Oystermouth
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Section 1: Constituency activities

I held monthly surgeries, attended ward PACT (Police and Communities Together) meetings and the Village Forum meetings.

The most rewarding aspect of my work as a Councillor is the interaction with constituents. I provided information, help and advice by telephone, email and in person on all manner of problems including planning, litter, dog bins, public toilets, parking, road safety and flooding – taking appropriate action where necessary.

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.

Appointments Committee	24	/	24	100	%
Area 2 Development Control Committee	12	/	12	100	%
Constitution Working Group	1	/	1	100	%
Council	15	/	15	100	%
Democratic Services Committee	7	/	8	88	%
Development Management & Control Committee	8	/	8	100	%
Equalities Committee	12	/	12	100	%
LA Governor Panel	10	/	10	100	%
Licensing Committee	14	/	15	93	%
Licensing Sub-Committee	5	/	5	100	%
Local Development Plan Advisory Group	1	/	1	100	%
Scrutiny Programme Committee	16	/	16	100	%
Student Liaison Forum	3	/	3	100	%
OVERALL	128	/	130	98	%

Attendance % based on Committee membership shown above.

Section 3: Councillors role and responsibilities

I sat on a variety of Scrutiny Inquiry Panels.

Member of Mumbles Community Council, LEA Governor at Oystermouth Primary School and Community Governor at Newton Primary School.

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Section 4: Initiatives and Special activities

I monitored proposed major building developments within the ward and the proposed Tidal Lagoon, to which I called a public meetings so that its effect upon Oystermouth could be discussed and debated with technical experts.

At the request of residents I instigated the now installed "Residents only" parking scheme at Southend.

I regularly walked around the ward and reported to the Council works that need to be carried out.

Section 5: Learning and Development

I attended the following training sessions:

21/02/2014 - Active Listening Skills

19/02/2014 - Chairing Skills

22/01/2014 - Rules of Debate

13/01/2014 - Individual Electoral Registration

17/12/2013 - Introduction to Media Training

06/11/2013 - Chairing Training Skills

25/10/2013 - Corporate Parenting

17/10/2013 - Emotional Intelligence

14/10/2013 - Pre Decision Making

Section 6: Other activities and issues

Also member of Mumbles and South Gower Royal British Legion and local poppy collection organiser.

Section 7: Councillors Remuneration

Basic Salary - £13,175 per annum.

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>

Date:

27 October 2014