

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: Ceinwen Thomas	Electoral Division: Mynyddbach
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Civic Salary Position:	Lord Mayor 2014-2015
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Section 1: Constituency activities

Surgeries were held every three weeks at Treboeth Community Centre and Clase Community Centre.

Site visits were held to look at areas for improvement in relation to an allocated pot of City & County of Swansea money that Councillors could use for environmental improvements in the ward.

I was and still am a member of the Governing Body at Gwrosydd Primary School.

Member of the Management Committee at Treboeth and Clase Community Centres.

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	0	/	7	0	%
Business & Administration Cabinet Advisory Committee	1	/	7	14	%
Council	8	/	17	47	%
Development Management & Control Committee	1	/	7	14	%
LA Governor Panel	0	/	8	0	%
West Glamorgan Archives Committee	0	/	4	0	%
OVERALL	10	/	50	20	%
Scrutiny Meetings					
Child & Family Services Scrutiny Performance Panel	1	/	1	100	%
Education Inclusion Scrutiny Inquiry Panel	1	/	1	100	%
Services for Looked after Children Scrutiny Inquiry Panel	0	/	1	0	%
School Governance (pre inquiry)	0	/	1	0	%
Wellbeing Scrutiny Performance Panel	1	/	1	100	%
OVERALL	3	/	5	60	%

Please note that due to my Lord Mayor responsibilities, this has affected my committee and scrutiny attendance.

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Section 3: Councillors role and responsibilities

During the 2014-2015 municipal year I held the role of Lord Mayor. This role was varied and involved meeting a wide range of members of the public. I attended over 450 engagements during the year.

Section 4: Initiatives and Special activities

I spent my allocated Environmental Improvement money on the installation of bollards on an area of grass on Llangyfelach Road, Treboeth to stop parking. I had a new bus stop opposite the Eagle pub in Treboeth.

I once again obtained help to clear the grounds of three churches in my area.

I liaised with the schools regarding Community First grants to assist in certain areas.

Section 5: Learning and Development

I attended the following training sessions:

23/10/2014 - Safeguarding

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

My role as Lord Mayor has meant that I have not been able to undertake any further training in the 2014-2015 municipal year.

Section 6: Other activities and issues

Before I was elected in 1990 I understood that the work would entail seven day week working (24/7)

I have been busy by phone and email, dealing with my constituent's queries. I always returned calls if messages had been left for me and ensured that I chased up outstanding issues on a regular basis.

Section 7: Councillors Remuneration

Civic Salary: £24,000 – Lord Mayor

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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