

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:	Robert Francis-Davies	Electoral Division:	Morrison
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Section 1: Constituency activities

I worked closely with my fellow Ward Council colleagues in holding regular weekly surgeries. The Morrison Council Surgery has been held at Morrison library every Saturday morning from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. with no appointment necessary.

I have attended regular P.A.C.T. meetings along with our PCSO's and attended regular Residents meetings.

I have taken up many constituent matters at the surgery ranging from Social Services, Housing, Transportation and Education issues to name a few.

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	2	/	2	100	%
Area 1 Development Control Committee	12	/	12	100	%
Area 2 Development Control Committee	11	/	12	92	%
Audit Committee	6	/	11	55	%
Community / Town Councils Forum	0	/	3	0	%
Council	12	/	15	80	%
Democratic Services Committee	4	/	8	50	%
Development Management & Control Committee	6	/	8	75	%
Gower AONB Partnership Group	3	/	4	75	%
Local Development Plan Advisory Group	1	/	1	100	%
Scrutiny Programme Committee	4	/	15	27	%
Sustainable Development Fund Panel	2	/	3	67	%
OVERALL	63	/	94	67	%

Attendance % based on Committee membership shown above.

Section 3: Councillors role and responsibilities

I have taken my representational role seriously by attending many meetings on behalf of my Morrison constituents. I have been Chairman of the Development Control and Management Committee and Area 1 and 2 Planning Committees. I also attended 2 conferences in Cardiff in relation to the Wales Planning Bill.

I was Director of Swansea B.I.D. Ltd., (Business Improvement District) and Vice Chair of the Local Development Plan Advisory Group.

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I was previously a Governor of Pentregraig Primary school but stood down to take up my role as school Governor at Morriston Comprehensive School.

I was and still am Chairman of the Labour Group and represented the Labour Party at this year's Wales Labour Party Conference in Brighton.

Section 4: Initiatives and Special activities

In conjunction with Morriston Chamber of Trade and together with my fellow ward Councillors we used a proportion of our Environmental Improvement money to purchase new Christmas lights for the Morriston area.

We have also installed new benches in Morriston Park around the play area and cenotaph.

Section 5: Learning and Development

I have undertaken the following training:

14/10/2013 - Pre Decision Making

Section 6: Other activities and issues

I have been easily accessible by email or by phone including mobile. I have visited many constituents at their home to resolve problems.

Section 7: Councillors Remuneration

Senior Salary - £21,910 per annum (Chair of Development Management & Control Committee)

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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