

City & County of Swansea - Councillor's Annual Report 2016-2017

This Councillor's Annual Report outlines their activities over the year ending **24 May 2017**. 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:	Ceri Evans	Electoral Division:	Morrleston
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Senior Salary Position:	None
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Section 1: Constituency activities

With ward colleagues we funded and organised the Christmas lights parade and celebrations. We also funded wild flowers and flower displays during the summer months. I have worked with colleagues to implement parking schemes and traffic calming measures on a number of roads; replaced lighting columns, and funded the purchase and installation of a number of Benches, bus shelters and other community priorities across the ward. We have also provided financial support to local schools and community action groups as well as securing investment for our parks. I have also spoken on a number of local planning applications during the year relaying and representing resident's views on planning matters. I have continued to support local groups and organisations, and have attended a number of fund raisers and concerts during the year.

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.

Corporate Parenting Board	3	/	6	50.00 %
Council	11	/	16	68.75 %
Education & Young People Cabinet Advisory Committee	7	/	11	63.64 %
Scrutiny Programme Committee	6	/	13	46.15 %
Overall	27	/	46	58.70 %

Scrutiny Meetings:

Child & Adolescent Mental Health Services	0	/	1	0 %
Overall	0	/	1	0 %

Section 3: Councillors role and responsibilities

I am a school governor for Glyncollen Primary School and Pentregraig Primary school, acting as the chair for a number of committees within the schools.

I have taken a full and active role within each committee and have particularly enjoyed the Corporate parenting panel as this allows me to bring my expertise as a children's services manager to bare for the benefit of the looked after children for Swansea. I attended the participation day for looked after children in Gower, participating in group-work and question and answer questions with the young people. I also took part in the river walk with the young people, donning a wetsuit and swimming downstream through the river to three cliffs bay.

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Section 4: Initiatives and Special activities

2016 Morriston Christmas Lights Switch On

Morriston Councillors worked together to organise and deliver a "Christmas Light parade and Switch On" event in Morriston's Woodfield St. This was a huge success with 1000's of people attending to see Santa. We could not have made it a success without support from Morriston Tabernacle, Community First, our fantastic choirs, local school, and great support from the Police, Fire Service and council officers.

Floral Displays

Working closely with my ward colleagues we arranged wild flower and other floral displays throughout the Ward. We plan to increase the size and scale of the scheme year on year with additional displays planned for Morriston Tabernacle, St David's Church and Ynystawe Primary School as well as other locations this year.

Looked after children participation day:

I attended the participation day, where young people were able to ask councillors questions about our role as corporate parents and to give us feedback on their experience. I also took part in the team development activities.

Section 5: Learning and Development

This section covers the special knowledge or skills that you bring to the role of Councillor. For example, you may be a specialist planner or have particular experience of one facet of Council activities. Please indicate if there is anything special you bring to the role or there is any special training that you have received that helps you in your role.

I am an experienced children's services manager and I bring a wealth of safeguarding/child protection experience to the council.

Child Protection Training – 08/03/2017

Section 6: Other activities and issues

Councillor Surgeries (with Ward Colleagues) throughout the year, in Morriston Library. I attended regular Police & Community Together (PACT) meetings and Market Street Residents Association meetings. I have dealt with number of ward issues on behalf of Morriston residents, including fly tipping, rubbish, pot holes, parking issues, housing issues and anti-social behaviour.

I have attended numerous civic, charitable, sporting and cultural events as Leader during the past year and have been delighted to support and number of events across the city.

Section 7: Councillors Remuneration

Basic Salary: £13,300

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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