

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: Paulette Smith	Electoral Division: Clydach
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Section 1: Constituency activities

I held surgeries on the 3rd Saturday of the month in Clydach.

Raised constituents concerns, problems and complaints with the relevant department for the issues to be resolved.

Had regular meetings with the local Police Sergeant and Inspector with regard to issues in 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	%
Business & Administration Cabinet Advisory Committee	1	/	2	50	%
Council	14	/	17	82	%
Development Management & Control Committee	3	/	7	43	%
Economy & Investment Cabinet Advisory Committee	2	/	3	67	%
LA Governor Panel	3	/	8	38	%
Trustees Panel	3	/	3	100	%
OVERALL	30	/	47	64	%
Scrutiny Meetings:					
Wellbeing Scrutiny Performance Panel	4	/	6	67	%
OVERALL	4	/	6	67	%

Please note my attendance record was affected during this time due my daughter being seriously ill.

Section 3: Councillors role and responsibilities

Councillor Champion for Carers.

School Governor on the Governing Body of Clydach Primary & Junior School and St. Josephs Roman Catholic School.

Council representative on the South Wales Police and Crime Panel.

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Section 4: Initiatives and Special activities

I had regular meetings with Cabinet members and officers regarding ward issues - traffic calming measures, street lighting, parking, potholes, dog fouling and litter.

Worked with the Gower Assembly Member and Gower Member of Parliament with regard to issues raised by constituents

Attended various meetings and events in my role as Carer including meetings with the Minister at the Assembly, conferences for Carers and regular meetings with Council officers.

Attended meetings in my role as a member of the South Wales Police and Crime Panel.

Section 5: Learning and Development

I attended the following training sessions:

13/10/2014 - Safeguarding

05/08/2014 - Public Engagement

23/07/2014 - Freedom of Information

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

Section 6: Other activities and issues

Attended various events in the ward including events at the schools where I am a Governor.

I arranged for flowers to be placed in the village using my Councillors environment improvement allowance.

President of the Forever Young Club.

My home and mobile phone numbers are available for constituents to contact me at any time.

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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