

## 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.

<b>Councillor:</b> Paulette Smith	<b>Electoral Division:</b> Clydach
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### Section 1: Constituency activities

I held surgeries on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month in Clydach Library.

Contacted the relevant departments to make enquiries on behalf of residents regarding issues and complaints in the ward eg dog fouling, litter, anti-social behaviour etc

Met with residents, Council officers, Cabinet Members and the local Police with regard to issues in the ward

Liaised with local schools regarding parking issues

### 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.

Council	13	/	16	81.25 %
Development Cabinet Advisory Committee	6	/	13	46.15 %
Planning Committee	7	/	12	58.33 %
Trustees	1	/	3	33.33 %
<b>Overall</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>/</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>61.36 %</b>
<b>Scrutiny Meetings:</b>				
Adult Services	7	/	13	53.85 %
Childrens Readiness for School	4	/	8	50.00 %
<b>Overall</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>/</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>52.38 %</b>

### Section 3: Councillors role and responsibilities

Councillor Member Champion for Carers, actively worked with officers and carers

1 of the 12 members on the Planning Committee.

School Governor on the Governing Body of Graigfelen School and St. Josephs Roman Catholic School.

Represented the Police and Crime Panel at the Public Services Board Scrutiny Performance Panel.

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## Section 4: Initiatives and Special activities

I held regular meetings with Cabinet members and officers regarding issues in the ward.

I attended events and meetings in my role of Carer Champion. In these events, I met Carers of all ages, children, young people and adults.

Worked with the Assembly Member for Gower and MP

## 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.*

19/05/2017 - Good Decision Making, Bias, Pre-determination & Rules of Natural Justice

## Section 6: Other activities and issues

Used my Councillors Community Budget for various schemes in the ward, including flowers in various locations.

Reinstated street lighting In Ynysymond rd. Glais

Paid for new equipment for park in Glais

Arranged for tennis court lines to be repainted

Supported local group charities in the ward

Contributed to go ahead with school yard projects for the benefit of the children

Attended various events in the ward

President of the Forever Young Club.

My home and mobile phone numbers are available for constituents to contact me. I am going to continue holding my surgeries, Rebecca Evans AM for Gower will occasionally be in attendance.

## 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>

**Date:**