# City & County of Swansea - Councillor's Annual Report 2017-2018

This Councillor's Annual Report outlines activities over the year ending **23 May 2018**. 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:	Clive Lloyd		Electoral Ward:	St Thomas
Senior Salary	Position:	Cab	inet Member - Servi	ce Transformation &
		Busi	ness Operations / D	Deputy Leader of the
		Cou	ncil	

### **Section 1: Constituency activities**

I would like to start this Annual Report by thanking the residents and communities of St Thomas ward for re-electing myself and my colleague, Cllr Joe Hale at the Local Government elections in May 2017. The support we continue to receive is overwhelming and it makes me extremely proud to represent this fantastic community.

2017/18 has again been an extremely busy year and I have continued to try and represent our residents to the very best of my ability.

**Ward Surgeries** - We have continued to operate Ward surgeries on the first Saturday of every month from 11.00 to mid-day. We rotate venue's which now include, St Thomas Church Hall, Gwyn Mission, Fabians Bay Church Hall, Port Tennant Community Centre and St Illtyd's Church Hall. In addition I try and attend the GSP Community Group Second Chance event every Wednesday from around 10.30. I am also contactable by mobile phone and my details are advertised on notices around the ward and on the Swansea Council website.

**Residents Meeting** - We have held a number of residents meetings over the year at venue's including St Thomas Church Hall, Port Tennant Community Centre and Gwyn Mission. Most of the meetings have dealt with Planning issues but have also dealt with resident's concerns about anti-social behaviour and drug crime.

**Ward Issues** - I continue to deal with a wide range of issue which include: Housing, Fly Tipping, Pot Holes, Residents Parking, Disabled Parking Bays, Street Cleansing, Anti-Social Behaviour.

Planning/HMO - A significant amount of my time has been spent pursuing a policy that will control the number of Houses of Multiple Occupation that develop in St Thomas Ward. A policy/Supplementary Planning Guidance was presented to the Council Planning Committee in June 2017 but this was rejected by the Committee. This has meant that planning applications have continued to be submitted while new guidance is being developed. I have attended many planning committee meetings to try and argue against further HMO intensification where this has been appropriate. At the time of writing this report I hope that controls will be introduced as part of the LDP agreement process in early 2019. This is a hugely important issue and it is important the right controls are put in place. I have also represented the Ward to speak on applications such as the Kings Rd Student accommodation development and the Cape Horner student development.

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**Housing Issues** - I have assisted many individuals with their housing queries both Council and Housing Association tenants. The veranda fencing upgrades have also progressed throughout the year e.g. Grenfell Park Road.

**Highways** - I have lobbied the Council for road improvements and we have seen a number of roads re-surfaced e.g. Ormesby Terrace and Port Tennant Rd.

**Fly Tipping** - Unfortunately, fly tipping continues to be an issue. I have met Council officers regularly at locations like Marcroft Rd and Grafog St. There is also an on-going issue with fly tipping in lanes.

**Safer Routes** - March 2018 saw the completion of the Safer Routes Grant which saw the implementation of a number of 20mph routes around our schools and the installation of a pelican crossing on Foxhole Road after many years of campaigning.

**Residents Parking** - Parking continues to be a major concern for residents. I have pursued a number of new schemes which include Ysgol Street and Ty Mawr Street. I have also pursued a number of requests for disabled parking bays for residents.

**Wild Flowers** - For a number of years I have supported the planting of Wild Flowers at a number of locations across the ward. These include, adjacent to the Ship, o/s/ Mile End Pub.

## 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.

Councillors attendance can be viewed here.

#### Section 3: Councillors role and responsibilities

Councillor responsibilities can be viewed here.

Councillor appointments to outside bodies can be <u>viewed here</u>.

Swansea Public Service Board

Association of Public Service Employees – Wales Vice Chair

Western Bay Regional Partnership Board Welsh

Local Government Association

Joint Council for Wales

Swansea Bay Port Health Authority

Council Champion – Anti Slavery and Ethical Employment

Joint Consultative Committee with Trade Unions - Joint Chair

Pension Fund Committee - Chair

Local Government Pension Fund – Scheme Advisory Board UK / Wales Representative

#### **Section 4: Initiatives and Special activities**

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I continue to work with a number of Community Groups. These include: GSP Friends of Polly's Park, Jersey Park/St Thomas Bowls Club, Port Tennant Colts/Mile End, Ashland's Community Centre, Gwyn Mission, St Thomas Church.

I am Chair of Governors at Danygraig Primary and Governor at St Thomas Community School.

I meet regularly with local police Sgt Paul Rees and our local PCSO's to discuss any issues relating to the ward.

We have supported a number of local projects financially through the use of our Community Budget allocation e.g. sponsor Port Tennant Colts junior section.

#### **Section 5: Learning and Development**

Councillors training can be viewed here.

### Section 6: Other activities and issues

In November 2017, I represented Swansea Council at the regional conference of the Council of Europe Inter Cultural Cities Network in Lisbon.

#### **Section 7: Councillors Remuneration**

Senior Salary (Deputy Leader of the Council): £37,100

Councillors travel and subsistence claim forms can be <u>viewed here</u>. Councillors annual expenses and allowances can be <u>viewed here</u>.

Date: 29/10/2018
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