

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:	Mike Durke	Electoral Ward:	Cockett
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Senior Salary Position:	n/a
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Section 1: Constituency activities

1. I am one of the 4 councillors for Cockett ward - we all belong to Welsh Labour and try our best to work together as much as we can in the interests of local people.
2. Every month throughout the year surgeries have been attended in Waunarlwydd Community Centre and Fforestfach library.
3. In the year many queries were received from local people seeking advice, guidance and support. Most of these were from people living within the ward and a small number came from residents of other parts of Swansea. Queries have been about matters which are the direct responsibility of the council like potholes, Council housing, child and family social services, schools, anti-social behaviour concerns, street-lighting, parking issues, parks and recreation.
4. I went to Gendros Community School as a child and am proud to be a governor at the school.

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 [viewed here](#).

Section 4: Initiatives and Special activities

We have all worked consistently to support a wide range of community groups, schools and other bodies who provide so much activity within the ward. I am the nominated councillor for Fforestfach Senior Citizens and Gendros Community Centre.

Section 5: Learning and Development

Councillors training can be [viewed here](#).

Section 6: Other activities and issues

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Council budgets have been under pressure for years now and this pressure continues in 2018. Even though money is tight my focus is on securing the best deal possible for Cockett residents so that we can continue to enjoy excellent schools, social services for older people and for children, environmental services, planning and so on. We are also determined to see a thriving city centre and new job opportunities for the current and future generations.

Section 7: Councillors Remuneration

Basic Salary: £13,400

Councillors travel and subsistence claim forms can be [viewed here](#).

Councillors annual expenses and allowances can be [viewed here](#).

Date:	22/10/2018
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