

City & County of Swansea - Councillor's Annual Report 2015-2016

This Councillor's Annual Report outlines their activities over the year ending **18 May 2016**. 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: Nick Davies	Electoral Division: Uplands
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Section 1: Constituency activities

With ward colleagues I have continued to hold monthly surgeries at Uplands market, to ensure a maximum visibility at a vastly successful community event which I have actively supported from its inception.

I have met regularly with residents and the police to deal with local concerns. I have worked with and supported the Uplands Traders' Association.

I have organised petitions against the proliferation of Houses in Multiple Accommodation and supported residents in opposing a further attempt to build on Ganges Fields. I have supported residents' concerns about the traffic problems surrounding Oakleigh House School.

As a member of the Student Liaison Committee I am active in trying to foster good community relations between the student population and the permanent residents of Uplands.

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:

Communities Cabinet Advisory Committee	6 / 8	75 %
Council	12 / 18	67 %
Democratic Services Committee	4 / 4	100 %
Scrutiny Programme Committee	14 / 15	93 %
Services Cabinet Advisory Committee	2 / 4	50 %
Swansea Student Liaison Forum	3 / 3	100 %
Swansea Student Liaison Forum (Residents Partnership)	0 / 1	0 %
OVERALL	41 / 53	77 %
Scrutiny Meetings:		
Education Inclusion Scrutiny Inquiry Panel	2 / 6	33 %
Streetscene Scrutiny Inquiry Panel	0 / 1	0 %
OVERALL	2 / 7	29 %

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Section 3: Councillors role and responsibilities

I have continued to Chair Cycling Action Programme meetings, working with groups such as Sustrans and Wheelwrights to develop an integrated cycle network and to promote cycling as a safe, practical and sustainable form of transport I have assisted the relevant cabinet member and Cabinet Advisory Committee chair in working with the principal bus operator in agreeing a bus partnership, to enhance bus services and the Swansea network and to encourage the greater use of public transport.

I have continued to serve as the Chair of Governors of Brynmill School.

I am also a council representative on the Board of Trustees of the Environment Centre.

Section 4: Initiatives and Special activities

Together with Council colleagues I have, in response to the longstanding concerns of residents, successfully lobbied the Welsh government to change the planning rules to give local authorities, including Swansea, more powers to limit the density of Houses in Multiple Occupation (HMOs).

Section 5: Learning and Development

I attended the following training session:

07/10/2015 – New Chairs (Governor Training)

Section 6: Other activities and issues

Uplands is a great place to live, work and socialise, but it can always be better. I will continue to work with residents, traders and visitors to make it as good as it can be. I am proud to have been part of an administration which has sought to protect jobs and council services in what are very difficult and challenging times.

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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