

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: Jan Curtice	Electoral Division: Penyrheol Ward
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Section 1: Constituency activities

I was and at the time of writing still am a member of the Gower Constituency Labour Party and local Labour Ward, also a delegate to the Local Campaign Forum Meetings.

I held surgeries along with my Ward Colleague in both Penyrheol and Grovesend on a regular basis and attend Police and Communities Together (PACT) meetings and also met quarterly with the Police to update them on any 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:

Appeals and Awards Committee	2 / 2	100 %
Appointments Committee	10 / 14	71 %
Communities Cabinet Advisory Committee	9 / 12	75 %
Corporate Parenting Forum	4 / 5	80 %
Council	16 / 18	89 %
Democratic Services Committee	2 / 4	50 %
Education & Young People Cabinet Advisory Committee	3 / 8	38 %
Engagement and Inclusion Cabinet Advisory Committee	2 / 4	50 %
General Licensing Committee	14 / 16	88 %
Gower AONB Partnership Group	2 / 3	67 %
Prevention & Social Care Reform Cabinet Advisory Committee	2 / 7	29 %
Scrutiny Programme Committee	11 / 14	79 %
Statutory Licensing Committee	5 / 7	71 %
OVERALL	82 / 114	72 %
Scrutiny Meetings		
Child & Family Services Scrutiny Performance Panel	6 / 12	50 %
OVERALL	6 / 12	50 %

Section 3: Councillors role and responsibilities

I assisted the Cabinet member for Children and Young people in her role and also worked closely with the cabinet member for Adult Services and Vulnerable people as the Older Peoples Champion, I also attended 50plus forum meetings. I was also one of the Council representatives on the Welsh Local Government Association (WLGA). Also member of Mid & West Wales Fire Authority.

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Section 4: Initiatives and Special activities

I was a member of the Lantern Committee which puts on the Christmas Lantern Parade in Gorseinon and committee member of a local over 50's Club. I also supported any charity event that took place in the Community. Governor at Penyrheol and Pengelli Primary Schools

Section 5: Learning and Development

I undertook the following training:

04/05/2016 - Dismissal Appeals and Collective Grievance

02/02/2016 – Child Protection (Governor Training)

29/10/2015 - United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC) Training

08/09/2015 - Appeals and Awards Committee Training

07/07/2015 - Licensing Committee HMO and Street Trading

12/06/2015 - Safeguarding - Awareness of Child Sexual Exploitation Training

04/06/2015 - Licensing

Section 6: Other activities and issues

We have been successful in having a Pelican Crossing in Grovesend after numerous years of trying, also contributed to new fencing around Pengelli Park, and contributed to new road layout in Grovesend. I used the Environmental Improvement Allowance to provide £2000 to Pengelli School towards an outdoor learning facility and am in the process of installing 3 Defibrillators within my ward.

Successfully campaigned not to have a Solar Park up at Pencefnarda Road in Penyrheol.

I attended regular Labour Executive and Group Meetings.

I was and still am Deputy Presiding member of the City and County of Swansea Council (Vice Chair of Council).

I dealt with a volume of ward issues on behalf of Penyrheol / Grovesend residents including highway issues, housing and flooding problems.

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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