

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.

Councillor: Jan Curtice	Electoral Division: Penyrheol
--------------------------------	--------------------------------------

Section 1: Constituency activities

At the time of writing, I was a member of the Gower Constituency Labour Party and Secretary / Treasurer of the Local Ward. Together with my fellow Ward Councillor I held regular monthly surgeries in Penyrheol and Grovesend.

I attended regular meetings with the Police to bring them up to date on any local issues. We also met regularly with the local Housing Officers to discuss any concerns residents may have.

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:

Corporate Parenting Board	3	/	6	50	%
Council	12	/	16	75	%
Democratic Services Committee	0	/	3	0	%
Education & Young People Cabinet Advisory Committee	7	/	11	64	%
General Licensing Committee	8	/	14	57	%
Gower AONB Partnership Group	2	/	4	50	%
Prevention & Social Care Reform Cabinet Advisory Committee	6	/	12	50	%
Statutory Licensing Committee	2	/	3	67	%
Statutory Licensing Sub Committee	1	/	1	100	%
Overall	41	/	70	59	%

Scrutiny Meetings

Child & Family Services Scrutiny Performance Panel	4	/	12	33	%
Childrens' Readiness for Schools Inquiry Panel	3	/	10	30	%
Planning Working Group	2	/	3	67	%
Overall	9	/	25	36	%

Section 3: Councillors role and responsibilities

During the 2016-2017 municipal year, I shadowed the Cabinet Member for Adults & Vulnerable People and attended weekly meetings with Officers. I regularly attended an 'Old Age' Club and as the Older People's Champion, advised them on any concerns raised. Member of the 'Food with Friends' Committee who provide a free 2 course meal once a month to the local vulnerable lonely residents. Also Deputy Chair of the Mid & West Wales Fire Authority.

City & County of Swansea - Councillor's Annual Report 2016-2017

Section 4: Initiatives and Special activities

Member of the Local Town Council and Committee Member of the annual Lantern Parade in Gorseinon in November / December.

Committee Member of a Local over 50's Club, which meet on a weekly basis.

I always supported any local charity events.

Governor of Penyrheol & Pengelli Primary Schools.

Section 5: Learning and Development

I attended the following training sessions:

23/05/2017 - Well Being of Future Generations Act

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

16/05/2017 - Local Government Finance

11/05/2017 - Code of Conduct

07/07/2016 - Wales Planning Act - Development Management Procedures

Section 6: Other activities and issues

We were successful in obtaining a state of the art play area for Penyrheol. I contributed money from my Councillors Community Budget Allowance to local initiatives and together with my fellow Councillor, helped set up a 'Friends Of' Park Grovesend. I regularly attended Executive Labour Group, Ward Meetings, Town Council meetings and was (and still am) Deputy Presiding Member (Vice Chair) of Swansea Council.

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:	18.01.2018
--------------	------------