

## City & County of Swansea - Councillor's Annual Report 2014-2015

This Councillor's Annual Report outlines their activities over the year ending **18 May 2015**. 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.

<b>Councillor:</b>	Robert Smith	<b>Electoral Division:</b>	Upper Loughor
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### Section 1: Constituency activities

I held a total of 9 evening surgeries at the Welfare Hall, Loughor and took part in 'street surgeries' throughout the spring.

### 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:

Area 2 Development Control Committee	7	/	8	88	%
Audit Committee	8	/	10	80	%
Communities Cabinet Advisory Committee	1	/	2	50	%
Council	17	/	17	100	%
Development Management & Control Committee	6	/	7	86	%
People Cabinet Advisory Committee	2	/	4	50	%
Rights of Way and Commons Sub Committee	5	/	5	100	%
Scrutiny Programme Committee	19	/	22	86	%
Services Cabinet Advisory Committee	0	/	1	0	%
Student Liaison Forum	1	/	3	33	%
West Glamorgan Archives Committee	4	/	4	100	%
<b>OVERALL</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>/</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>%</b>
Scrutiny Meetings					
Schools Performance Scrutiny Panel	4	/	11	36	%
<b>OVERALL</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>/</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>%</b>

### Section 3: Councillors role and responsibilities

Councillor, Llŵchwr Town Council  
 Member of the Swansea Bay Port Health Authority  
 Director, Wales National Pool, Swansea  
 Member of the Swansea Festival Advisory Committee.  
 Chair of Governors, Ysgol Gynradd Gymraeg Pontybrenin  
 Governor, Ysgol Gyfun Gŵyr.  
 Chair of the City and County of Swansea Gypsy Traveller Site Scrutiny Enquiry.

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### Section 4: Initiatives and Special activities

Worked with officers to develop traffic calming schemes in two parts of Upper Loughor, both of which are being progressed by officers.

Worked with officers of the Housing Department to address issues regarding access lanes and tenancy matters.

Relayed residents' concerns regarding the Local Development Plan (LDP) as it affects Upper Loughor, to the relevant Officers within the policy planning team.

Represented residents' concerns regarding issues concerning the Tre-uchaf school field.

Reported issues regarding street lighting.

Pavements in two parts of the ward have been re-surfaced as part of a programme of work to address the areas most in need of attention.

Alerted officers to the problem of canine excrement.

### Section 5: Learning and Development

I have worked in the field of education policy and analysis for many years, delivering a range of services to local authorities, the Welsh Government and other clients. These have been in areas such as reform of school support systems, development of 14-19 learning provision, workforce remodelling, the use of school support staff, school leadership, curriculum reform and assessment issues.

### Section 6: Other activities and issues

Mayor of Llchwyr since May 2015,  
Trustee, Brynteg Chapel, Gorseinon  
Member, Peniel Baptist Chapel, Loughor  
Member of Steering Group examining local history trail in the Llchwyr area.

### 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>

<b>Date:</b>	05.06.15
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