

# 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.

<b>Councillor:</b>	Robert Smith	<b>Electoral Ward:</b>	Upper Loughor
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<b>Senior Salary Position:</b>	Committee Chair - Education & Skills Policy Development & Delivery Committee
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## Section 1: Constituency activities

I have held monthly evening surgeries at the Welfare Hall, Loughor and taken part in 'street surgeries' throughout Upper Loughor in 2017-18. I also attended coffee mornings which provided opportunities for residents to meet with local Councillors. In addition, I have supported local events held by Llŵchwr Town Council, St David's Church, Penuel Chapel, Moriah Chapel, Tre-Uchaf Primary School, Ysgol Gymraeg Pontybrenin, Loughor RFC, and Loughor Workingmen's Club.

I represented residents' views on major planning applications. I have also discussed road safety issues with residents and officers and have requested a number of traffic speed surveys in the area. This year saw the completion of work to improve the safety of the junction of Danybryn Road and Alexandra Road, Loughor. At the same time, I have worked with officers to resolve issues preventing the use of the path from North Road to Tre-uchaf school. I am pleased that remedial works have been carried out by the landowner and will be working to ensure that any remaining issues are addressed.

I have assisted fund-raising events held by Loughor Town Trust and Loughor RFC. In addition to the above, I have represented individual householders' concerns to a range of Council departments. These have included matters relating to parking, drainage, public transport, fly tipping, parks management, and environmental improvements.

## 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](#).

Llŵchwr Town Council Chair

Swansea Bay Port Health Authority Director

Wales National Pool

Member of the Swansea Festival Advisory Committee.

Chair of Governors, Ysgol Gynradd Gymraeg Pontybrenin

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Governor, Ysgol Gyfun Gŵyr.  
Chair of the City and County of Swansea Education and Skills Policy Development Committee.  
Vice Chair (Swansea) of the West Glamorgan Archives Committee

### Section 4: Initiatives and Special activities

Secured re-surfacing work to pavements at Heol Pen-y-Scallen and Bryn Road.  
Secured improvements to the junction of Danybryn Road and Alexandra Road in response to identified concerns about safety at the junction.  
Represented residents' views in relation to proposed development at Ty'r Fry and monitored the progress of the Section 106 Agreement linked to the development.  
Commissioned a speed survey in parts of Upper Loughor.

### Section 5: Learning and Development

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

### Section 6: Other activities and issues

Deacon and Secretary of Penuel Chapel, Loughor.

### Section 7: Councillors Remuneration

Senior Salary (Committee Chair): £22,100

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

<b>Date:</b>	31/10/2018
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