## City & County of Swansea - Councillor's Annual Report 2018-2019

This Councillor's Annual Report outlines activities over the year ending **08 May 2019**. 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:	Andrew Stevens	Electoral Ward:	Penyrheol
Senior Salary	Position:		

### **Section 1: Constituency activities**

Over the past year, I have held regular monthly surgeries as well as occasional street surgeries with my ward colleague Jan Curtice.

We have also supported residents to deal with various issues including:

- Housing and renovation scheme issues
- Boundary and Drainage issues
- Parking
- Fly tipping
- Pavement and carriageway repairs
- Highway safety
- Overgrown trees
- Yellow lines
- Anti-Social Behaviour

Our scheme to introduce a raised puffin crossing as well as safety rails at Frampton Road Post office is finally coming to fruition; this is something we have been working on since being elected. Work should be completed soon.

In addition to this, we are still working closely with officers and outside bodies to address speeding throughout Grovesend.

From our community ward budget, we have funded -

- Defibrillators and training at key locations throughout the ward.
- Community Notice Board and handrail in front of Golden Grove Park.
- Picnic benches for Gower View play area and a hot spot camera to help reduce anti-social behaviour.
- Dog Waste Bins
- Daffodil planting along Pontarddulais Road

We have also supported the following good causes with donations from our ward budgets –

- The Gorseinon First Responders Scheme
- The Decky Memorial Touch Rugby Tournament raising almost £3'000 for the inherited cardiac condition service at Morriston Hospital
- Gorseinon Fun Day
- 3M's Running Club First Aid Training
- Gorseinon Dance to Health

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Gorseinon Widow & Widowers Group

We wanted to do something special to mark 100 years since the end of WW1 - so we had commemorative benches installed throughout the ward.

I run a very active ward discussion group on social media that has almost 600 members, it facilitates discussion, provides an easy way for our residents to raise issues, and promote local events.

### 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 <u>viewed here</u>.

Councillor appointments to outside bodies can be <u>viewed here</u>.

Vice Chair of the Transformation PDC Penyrheol Primary & Secondary School Governing Bodies Rural Development Programme

#### **Section 4: Initiatives and Special activities**

Once again, I organised (and played in) the 2nd annual Decky Memorial Touch Rugby Tournament that to date has raised over £8'000 for the inherited cardiac condition service in Morriston. The next one is planned for August this year.

#### **Section 5: Learning and Development**

Councillors training can be viewed here.

#### Section 6: Other activities and issues

I'm a 3rd generation dairy farmer from Llannant Farm in Penyrheol and I'm honoured to represent the ward where my family has lived and worked for over 75 years. I studied Agriculture and took time out to work in Canterbury, New Zealand. I am also a keen sportsman and I have played rugby locally for the past 20 years. With both my farming and rugby background, I believe my strong work ethic and ability to work as a team has helped enormously in my role as ward member for Penyrheol. I am also a bit of an I.T enthusiast and in my spare time and I have experience in hardware and software such as PC Building, web design, and some basic coding knowledge.

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## **Section 7: Councillors Remuneration**

Basic Salary: £13,600

Councillors travel and subsistence claim forms can be <u>viewed here.</u>
Councillors annual expenses and allowances can be <u>viewed here.</u>

<b>Date:</b> 19/06/2019
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