

## 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.

<b>Councillor:</b> David Hopkins	<b>Electoral Division:</b> Townhill
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<b>Senior Salary Position:</b>	Cabinet Member for Environment and Transportation
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### Section 1: Constituency activities

I held monthly surgeries in Mayhill and Gors.

I was a member of (and at the time of writing this) Plasmarl Governing Body

I was/still am a member of Townhill School Governing Body

I held regular meetings with the Housing Manager of Townhill District Office

### 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.

Cabinet	10	/	15	66.67	%
Council	14	/	16	87.50	%
External Funding Panel	3	/	8	37.50	%
<b>Overall</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>/</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>69.23</b>	<b>%</b>

### Section 3: Councillors role and responsibilities

One of my roles was to oversee all Highways, Transportation, Waste Management and Cleansing across the City.

I had regular meetings with the Police to discuss Ward issues.

I have met regularly with the other two Councillors for "walk-about" around the Ward to try to tackle fly-tipping and identify any problem areas.

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## Section 4: Initiatives and Special activities

I have been very involved in improving the road traffic safety along The Kingsway and changing the directional flow of the buses along this stretch of road.

I have been in discussions with First Cymru to set up a working partnership document to improve bus services across Swansea. This would also enable us to apply for funding from the Welsh Government.

I worked with Officers to improve our recycling targets across the City with a view to reduce landfill costs.

I have worked with Officers and Bridgend Council on procuring new food waste agreements.

I worked with Officers to bring about the 48 hours pothole hotline to ensure that potholes are repaired within 48 hours of being reported.

## Section 5: Learning and Development

I attended the following training sessions:

Exclusions and the Role of the Pupil Discipline Committee – 15/02/17

Good Decision Making, Bias, Pre-determination & Rules of Natural Justice – 19/05/17

## Section 6: Other activities and issues

Over the years that I have been a Councillor in the Townhill Ward I have always been there for my Constituents and taken on board their problems and tried to solve them. I was Lord Mayor for the 2016/2017 municipal year and carried out many Civic duties across Swansea. It has always been my intention to be there for the people of Mayhill, Townhill and Gors.

## Section 7: Councillors Remuneration

Senior Salary: £32,000 Cabinet Member for Environment and Transportation

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:**

30/10/17