

City & County of Swansea - Councillor's Annual Report 2015-2016

This Councillor's Annual Report outlines their activities over the year ending **18 May 2016**. 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:	Robert Francis-Davies	Electoral Division:	Morrison
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Senior Salary Position:	Cabinet Member – Enterprise, Development & Regeneration
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Section 1: Constituency activities

I have held surgeries at Morrison Library every Saturday morning 10 am to 12 pm on a rota basis with my ward colleagues. This surgery has been running from 1983 and is probably the longest running surgery in Wales. We have helped constituents with many issues, such as providing advice on potholes, highway issues, dog fouling, rubbish clearance, fly tipping and anti-social behaviour. I have reported these issues to Council officers and reported back where required.

I attended regular Police and Communities Together (PACT) meetings and local Residents meetings.

I have, along with my ward colleagues compiled and delivered newsletters around my ward highlighting local issues.

I have walked around my ward with colleagues to look at issues to be reported to officers to rectify.

I have represented residents with Planning issues and also with blatant abuse of parking restrictions and speeding contrary to the Road Traffic Act.

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:

Appointments Committee	7	/	14	50	%
Cabinet	13	/	15	87	%
Community / Town Councils Forum	2	/	3	67	%
Development Advisory Group	5	/	6	83	%
Council	17	/	18	94	%
External Funding Panel	4	/	7	57	%
OVERALL	48	/	63	76	%

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Section 3: Councillors role and responsibilities

I was and still am the Cabinet Member for Enterprise, Development & Regeneration. My responsibilities include the delivery of : City Region, Economic Development & Investment, Tourism and Destination Marketing, Planning Policy/ Local Development Plan LDP, Adult Learning /Workways, City Centre, Heritage, Science City, Universities, Creative City, Suburban Centres, Licensing, City Deal (link with Next Generation Services) and Lead elements of Sustainable Swansea.

Outside Bodies 2015/2016:

1. Director on Swansea Business Improvement District Swansea Ltd. (BID);
2. Director on Swansea Stadium Management Committee Ltd. (Liberty Stadium);
3. Director on National Waterfront Museum Swansea Ltd;
4. Director on Wales National Pool Swansea Ltd.;

School Governor Morryston Comprehensive School.

Section 4: Initiatives and Special activities

I have worked closely with the Leader on the St David's scheme and the Civic Centre scheme to bring both areas to the market through the European Procurement strategy. This led to the appointment of Rivington as the Development manager for the St David's scheme and Trebor as the Development managers for the Civic Centre scheme. These schemes will see the City Centre have major redevelopment including new Retail, Food and Beverage quarter, Cinema, Indoor Arena, Aquarium, Hotels and Housing. I helped with delivery of a £50 m development to be attracted to Mariner Street Swansea.

Section 5: Learning and Development

I attended the following training sessions:

- 04/05/2016 - Development Economics & Financial Viability Training
- 11/02/2016 – Child Protection (Governor Training)
- 15/07/2015 - Media Training & Interview Skills

Section 6: Other activities and issues

I worked with my ward colleagues to deliver a Christmas parade in Woodfield Street and the delivery of Christmas illuminations for the Christmas period. We also delivered floral displays and hanging baskets in Morryston Town centre.

This year wild flowers were sown throughout many grass verges and roundabouts in the Morryston area.

We used our environmental money to install yellow lines at some junctions, bus shelters and traffic calming measures.

I worked with sports clubs within the Morryston area to give financial advice. I met with the South Wales Police, concerning several issues around the Morryston area.

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Section 7: Councillors Remuneration

Senior Salary: £32,000 Cabinet Member for Enterprise, Development & Regeneration

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>

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