

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: Yvonne Jardine	Electoral Division: Morriston Ward
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Section 1: Constituency activities

I attended regular surgeries, Police and Communities Together (PACT) meetings and residents meetings which were shared amongst the ward councillors. Residents' were concerned on number of fly tipping, dog fouling and parking issues in the area which were dealt with.

We held public meetings with residents to hear their concerns on Planning permission being sought for a new housing estate in the area and on any other issue they wished to discuss.

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:

Corporate Services Cabinet Advisory Committee	3 / 7	43 %
Council	12 / 18	67 %
Engagement & Inclusion Cabinet Advisory Committee	2 / 4	50 %
Trustees Panel	1 / 2	50 %
OVERALL	18 / 31	58 %

Scrutiny Meetings:

Child & Adolescent Mental Health Services Working Group	7 / 9	78 %
Child & Family Services Scrutiny Performance Panel	10 / 12	83 %
Civic Events Scrutiny Working Group	1 / 1	100 %
Public Engagement Scrutiny Inquiry Panel	0 / 1	0 %
Tethered Horses Scrutiny Working Group	1 / 3	33 %
Transformation of Adult Social Services Scrutiny Panel	10 / 12	83 %
OVERALL	29 / 38	76 %

Section 3: Councillors role and responsibilities

Member of the following committees: -

Child and Family Service (CFS) Scrutiny Performance Panel, Transformation of Adult Social Services (TASS) Scrutiny Panel, Corporate Services as part of this committee I recently attended the Helping Hands project I was also a member of the following task and finish groups:

Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS) Scrutiny Inquiry Panel, Tethered Horses Scrutiny Working Group. I was/am the Council's Champion for Race, Religion, Belief and Heritage and chaired the Black Minority Ethnic (BME) forum which acts as a bridge between the Council and the BME community. The forum gives communities the opportunity to voice their needs and concerns; it is also an opportunity for the council to inform the communities of what is happening.

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Section 4: Initiatives and Special activities

With my ward colleagues we once again funded the flower displays across Morriston. This has been well received in the past and I have received calls asking for confirmation that we will be having displays again as they brighten the day for many residents.

The switch on of the Christmas lights was a success and a big thanks to the residents, the choirs, police, fire service, and various members of staff and everyone who ignored the weather to make it a success. Raffle tickets were sold to raise money towards the cost of repairing the clock on the Tabernacle Church on Woodfield Street.

Attended the opening of the first phase of the remodelling of Pentre'r Graig Primary School, I was given a warm welcome by the staff and children and shown around the work that had been completed and the ongoing work by the project manager.

With my ward colleagues we have commenced work on bringing a Farmers Market to Woodfield Street starting on the first Saturday of July. Initially it will be for a trial period of three months but then the first Saturday in the month.

Section 5: Learning and Development

19/04/2016 - S.106 Planning Agreements / Obligations

18/04/2016 - Guidance on Equality & Human Rights Impact Assessment & Scrutinising Changes to Community Services

23/02/2016 - Regional Member Development Session – Disabilities

04/02/2016 – Supported Looked After Children in Schools (Governor Training)

09/12/2015 - Members Responsibility to Gypsy & Traveller Communities under the new Housing & Equality Acts

05/11/2015 - Introduction to Community Engagement

29/10/2015 - United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC) Training

I have also completed the following mandatory courses online:

Basic Health and Safety, Counter Terrorism and Security Act 2015, Hate Crime Awareness, Fire Safety Awareness, Equality & Diversity and Safeguarding Adults.

Section 6: Other activities and issues

I was involved in the election of the AM for Swansea East leaf letting, door knocking and spoke to many people in the 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>

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