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:	Alyson Pugh		Electoral Ward:	Llansamlet
Senior Salary Position:		Cha	Chair of Poverty Reduction Policy Development	
		Com	Committee	

Section 1: Constituency activities

We took it in turn to do three surgeries a month.

I supported Stadwen Youth Club with activities and trips for the young people and used the Councillor Community Budget to pay to have the hall repainted.

Many fun events for families funded and run by us in the holidays.

A trip to Folly farm for families with young children.

Bi monthly events for OAPs with food, an artist and bingo.

Pact meetings attended.

Supported resident meetings about housing estates and developers.

Supported residents meeting regarding speeding in Trallwn and Birchgrove.

Funded yellow lines and restriction parking in Birchgrove.

Worked with Coastal housing to support residents.

Worked closely with housing officers on neighbour disputes and housing conditions amongst many.

Numerous reports of problems with waste bins, dog bins and fly tipping.

Addressed traffic light issues.

Addressed the issues of the tanks on the main road.

Provided letters of support for residents.

Dealt with disputes of usage of land.

Attended "Live Well, Age Well" Forums.

Worked with Trading Standards on complaints.

Provided food bank support for residents as required.

Planted wild flowers and hanging baskets etc.

Supported many residents with individual concerns and supported them through the process.

Worked with the NEET (Not in Employment, Education or Training) team in Parc yr Helig woods.

Supported the opening of the new Welsh School on Lon Las.

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

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Section 3: Councillors role and responsibilities

Councillor responsibilities can be viewed here

Councillor appointments to outside bodies can be viewed here

Chair of Poverty Reduction Policy Development Committee, consisting of internal policies including food poverty, high interest lending and Housing First.

Partnership working with many outside bodies e.g. Swansea Prison, Police, Safer Swansea Partnership, Poverty Truth Commission, Poverty Forum, Compact meetings with the 3rd sector, VAWDASV (Violence Against Women Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence) Steering Group.

Attended many political meetings.

Section 4: Initiatives and Special activities

Assisted with the following:

Fought against the incinerator.

Costa Coffee campaign - development on a busy M4 junction.

Serious safety issues due to parking in Tregof Village from large employers close by.

Talycopa Football serious drainage problems of their pitch and the financial implications of having to use elsewhere.

Period Poverty campaign with STOPP and we provided sanitary products for the schools and the youth club.

Holiday hunger schemes in every holiday to provide food for families who need extra support including food hampers at Christmas.

Supported grant applications for a Nature Reserve, Primrose Park and cycling paths.

Fought to get Parc Bryn Heulog adopted.

Provided hot meals throughout August to families in need of support.

Section 5: Learning and Development

Councillors training can be <u>viewed here</u>.

Section 6: Other activities and issues

A member of:-

The Nature Reserve committee

Friends of Parc yr Helig

Friends of Heol Las Park

Birchgrove Community Centre

Eastside Food Bank

Governor in Glais and Talycopa Primary Schools

Talvcopa Football Club

Monthly meetings with Local Area coordinator to support vulnerable residents

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Section 7: Councillors Remuneration

Senior Salary (Committee Chair): £22,300

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

Date: 03/02/2020