Carmarthenshire County Council Councillor's Annual Report 2015-2016

This annual report outlines the activities of the Councillor named below for the period May 2015 to May 2016 (the Council's Municipal Year). It is provided for the information of constituents, and for no other purpose. The views expressed in the report are those of the Councillor and do not necessarily reflect the views of Carmarthenshire County Council.

Section 1: Role & Responsibilities				
Council Committees	Attendance Record			
	Number	In Attendance		
County Council	14	13		
Education & Children Scrutiny Committee (Chair)	6	5		
Joint Scrutiny Committee – Education & Children and Social Care & Health	1	1		
Appointments Committee 'A' – Directors	2	2		
Members' Appointments Committee	3	1		
Planning Committee (Substitute)		4*		
*Attended as a substitute				

Section 2: Constituency Activities

Meet people as necessary to discuss and promote planning applications; in particular those that concern local needs. Meet them on site and speak on their behalf in planning meetings. Frequent and chair public meetings, and express opinions and advise on matters such as community developments in the area. Attend the meetings of three community councils regularly and listen to and give guidance occasionally on various matters; respond to queries regarding the policies and actions of the County Council.

Work to ensure the continuation of public services in a rural area and to this end make contact with the relevant officers, express matters in the chamber and attend public meetings.

Deal with parents' applications for free school transport for their children. Dealing with matters regarding road signs, street signs and speed limit signs. Contact officers on behalf of community councils in order to deal with matters that relate to filling potholes in the roads, grass cutting, cutting hedges and trees that overgrow into the road, cleaning gutters, sweeping pavements and roads etc. Support and work with local organisations in order to obtain planning permission and grants to allow them to maintain and provide leisure facilities in the areas. Regularly bring applications by individuals and community councillors to the attention of the relevant officers and departments.

Support local residents in various ways to make sure they can benefit from resources and opportunities that are designed to improve their standard of living.

Support numerous cultural and leisure-related events and occasions in the area. Work closely with the Member of Parliament and the Assembly Member, as is necessary.

Section 3: School Governing Bodies		
List of School Governing Bodies	Attendance Record	
	Number	In Attendance
Ysgol Carreg Hirfaen	5 meetings	5

Section 4: Outside Body Representation			
List of outside bodies	Attendance Record		
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Section 5: Learning & Development

28/04/16 Social Media Training

07/04/16 Housing Allocation Seminar

26/01/16 Child Protection Training

18/01/16 Budget Seminar

12/11/15 Education Seminar

20/10/15 Information Technology Training

14/10/15 Budget Seminar

06/10/15 Customer Services Training

05/10/15 Modernising Education Seminar

29/07/15 Regeneration Projects and Grants Seminar

25/05/15 Planning Training

04/06/15 Social Media Training

Section 6: Other Activities and Issues

I am active and busy as Chair of the Education & Children Scrutiny Committee.

Date: 01/09/16