Annual Report 2012/13

Annual Report by Councillor Angela Russell, Ward Llanbedrog. 2012-2013 as defined by the 2011 Local Government Act

Gwynedd Council Committees Attended

Attendance at Committees

Number of Meetings	Present	Absent	Apologies
46	43	0	3

Percentage of Attendance at Committees = 93%

Broader Work

As many within my ward are aware that even during the election in May our village was under threat due to Welsh Government consultation on Highly Protected Marine Conservation Zones. This was a clear threat to our businesses, traditions and tourism. I attended many meetings on this subject locally but also in Beaumaris, Caernarfon and Pembrokeshire. Although there is still no public statement at present from the new minister Alun Davies on this subject, there was a new task and finishing group formed due to public pressure with local members representing, and I am informed that we shall hear very soon on this matter.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank my electors for all their support. I am ready for the challenge of representing everyone in Llanbedrog and Penrhos. Since being elected I have been involved in quite a few projects within the ward and would like to personally thank Dafydd Wyn Williams, Dylan Wyn Jones, Alun Roberts, Barry Davies, Gwen Alun, Garry Hughes Carradog and Peter Simpson to name but a few who's assistance during my first year has been gratefully received. I would like to thank Cyngor Gwynedd for resurfacing Llanbedrog's main road and making the A499 Glynllifon bend safer. I am thankful for the external improvements to the public toilets near the beach and providing us with a safe bathing area on the beach. The mirror near the Church has greatly improved safety. The new dog fouling bin on the successful coastal path has been a welcome addition, and I look forward to agreeing where the additional two dog fouling bins will be best placed within the ward.

As chair of Llanbedrog Community Council I look forward to everyone within the ward, receiving a pamphlet that is being designed and produced by ourselves. I hope you enjoy the leaflet and find it informative. A great deal of time and effort has gone into this project and we were fortunate to secure funding.

I have truly enjoyed my first year as your elected County Councillor and have been honoured to be chosen as vice chair for Gwynedd Council's Communities Scrutiny Committee by my fellow members. I have been representing Gwynedd Council on housing issues in Builth Wells and look forward to the challenges ahead.

I am currently working with Gwynedd Council to re open Llwybr Nant after the flood damage and involved in discussions on how to make the junction near Llanbedrog Service Station safer. I am working on making the A499 near Penrhos safer and am discussing a cycle route for the future.

I am grateful to everyone who put faith in me to represent them on Gwynedd Council.

Other Local Meetings

- 1. Governor at Ysgol Gynradd Llanbedrog
- 2. Governor at Ysgol Uwchradd Botwnnog.
- 3. Member of the Polish Society at Penrhos.

Training Attended

- 10 May 2012 Induction for all Members
- 23 May 2012 Introduction to Planning
- 30 May 2012 Introduction to the New Culture and Protocols
- 26 June 2012 Scrutiny : Communities Committee
- 4 July 2012 Change Management Strategic and Improvement
- 12 July 2012 Audit Training
- 13 July 2012 Licensing Training
- 17 July 2012 Familiarisation Workshops Betsi Cadwaladr Health Authority
- 7 Medi 2012 North Wales Regional Induction Session
- 12 Medi 2012 Questioning Methods for Scrutiny
- 2 November 2012 North Wales Regional Induction Session
- 21 November 2012 I-pad Training
- 28 November 2012 Corporate Parenting Training
- 9 January 2013 Education Training
- 27 February 2013 Information about People: Your Responsibility

Total Hours = 61.15

Outside Bodies

Member of the Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty

Member of the Coastal Railway Group