

ANNUAL REPORT – 2013/14

Councillor: Elin Walker Jones

Group: Plaid Cymru

Ward: Bangor - Glyder

Purpose of the annual report:

The aim of the Annual Report is to assist the electorate to become better informed of the work and activities of their elected local authority member during the year.

Role and responsibilities:

Gwynedd Council's Autism Champion
Elected Member for the Glyder ward, Bangor

Constituency activities:

Local Matters: traffic, the condition of roads and footways, waste, dog fouling, working with the schools, hedge cutting, tree felling, problems with phone boxes, the water board, road works, bus shelters, floods, public footpaths, street lights, child safety, benefits, educational settings, the rights of disabled people having fair access to the High Street, (e.g. supporting GUBOA), planning issues, supporting Tyfu in their effort to ensure allotments for the people of Bangor, working with the Penrhos Football Club and RDA to ensure a lease of the land of the former Coed Menai school etc.

Other initiatives and activities:

Establishing Menter Iaith Bangor, CPERA (Cymdeithas Pobl Eithnog Residents' Association); collaborating with North Wales Wildlife Trust; Gwynedd and Anglesey Autism and Asperger's Group, including the adults group, the parents support group and the youth club; governing bodies of Ysgol y Garnedd and Ysgol Tryfan, meetings with a wide variety of stakeholders: electors, officers, fellow politicians at several levels of representation.

Arranging a Walking Bus during the Walk to School Week; arranging/ participating in several litter squads with residents/school pupils.

Volunteering to assist with the Bangor Carnival, representing Menter Iaith at the meetings of the Bangor Events Group and occasionally with GCPB, supporting the Street Pastors; Gwynjim.

Supporting local fund-raising events, e.g. school fairs and Ysgol Feithrin, parents and teachers associations, coffee mornings, Walk On etc.

Participating in a traffic workshop, collaborating with others to try to assist in establishing a ParkRun in Bangor.

I attended the following Committees:

COMMITTEE	PRESENT
The Council	3
Services Scrutiny Committee	4
Local Joint Consultative Committee	1
Services Scrutiny Committee Preparatory Meeting	4
Ogwen Area Forum	1

Percentage of Attendance: 72%

I participated in the following additional meetings, seminars, investigations and workshops:

Corporate Parent Panel (representative of the Services Scrutiny Committee)

Health and Safety Panel

Welsh Education Quality Working Group

Health Care Working Group

More Than Words Working Group

Meirion Dwyfor Special School Project Board

Gwynedd and Anglesey Autism Stakeholders Group

Seminar on the Council's Financial Position

<p>I represented Gwynedd Council on the following outside bodies: Ysgol Tryfan (School Governor) Ysgol y Garnedd (School Governor)</p>	<p>I represented Gwynedd Council at the following meetings: Grassroots Diplomats Awards Ceremony, London in May 2014 (Category of Social Drivers) The category winner was Baroness Lawrence, the mother of the late Stephen Lawrence</p>
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<p>I attended the following Learning and Development training sessions:</p>	
<p>Corporate</p>	
<p>Housing Allocation Policy and Statutory Responsibilities</p>	
<p>Corporate Parent Panel</p>	
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<p>Total number of hours: 5.5</p>	

