

ANNUAL REPORT- 2014/15

Councillor: Annwen Hughes	Group: Plaid Cymru				
Ward: Llanbedr					
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: Working in the community and collaborating with the local Community Council to ensure that the community's interests are safeguarded. Member of: Corporate Scrutiny Committee, Communities Scrutiny Committee, Services Scrutiny Committee, Democratic Services Committee, Central/General Licensing Committee.					
The following constituency activities were held:					
Llanbedr Village Continuing to ensure that Arrive Alive visit the villages of Llanbedr and Llanfair regularly, to ensure that speeding is monitored. Have arranged for an automatic traffic recorder to be placed on the road near the Primary School in Llanbedr to establish whether or not traffic calming measures are needed, as some parents expressed their concern regarding the speed at which drivers pass the school. Attended the Coed Hafod y Bryn Open Day in the village and received a guided tour of the forest from the National Park Officers and the volunteers who had been cleaning up the spot, to see the work that they had been doing.					
Llanbedr Airfield Exciting news in July 2014 that the airfield has been selected from a list of eight sites that may be suitable for a spaceport, and since then it has been announced that the airfield has been included in a shortlist of six possible sites. Once the news came out, I held a number of meetings with the Directors of the airfield and took part in a number of television and radio interviews.					
Bypass Plans have been drawn up, and several public consultations have been held to illustrate the different options available to improve access to the airport. The final plan has been selected by now, and I am in discussions with YGC to make sure there's a good link to the village. I have attended several Snowdonia Enterprise Zone Stakeholder meetings with the airfield Directors. Members of other bodies were present to discuss what is happening and what will be happening at the airfield and the plans for the bypass.					
January 2014 Storms The repair work on the flood bank has been completed. As the landowners have concerns that the bank is still leaking, I arranged a meeting in mid-June where the farmers affected along with Officers from relevant Public Bodies were in attendance, and a promise was made to take another look at the bank. The renovation work on the Morfa Mawr houses that were water-damaged has now been completed and the houses have been returned to the tenants.					
The following initiatives and activities were held: Attending monthly Llanbedr Community Council meetings Attending monthly Llanfair Community Council meetings Member of the Eisteddfod Arudwy Committee (Treasurer) Member of the Meirionnydd Appeal Committee Arudwy Group CAFC 2016					
I attended the following Committees:					
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Corporate Scrutiny Committee	2
Communities Scrutiny Committee	4
Services Scrutiny Committee	1
Democratic Services Committee	2
Central/General Licensing Committee	4
Central Licensing Sub Committee	4
Meirionnydd Area Forum	4
Scrutiny Community Preparatory Meetings - Corporate	3
Scrutiny Community Preparatory Meetings - Communities	4

Percentage of Attendance: 94%

I was not able to attend the following Committee(s) due to the following reasons:
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I participated in the following additional meetings, seminars, investigations and workshops:

Schools Seminar	28.4.14
Gwynedd Social Enterprises Initial Forum	25.9.14
Workshop –Local Government Reform	1.10.14
Workshop – Financial Savings	8.10.14
Communities Scrutiny Committee Site Visit to GwryiAD	15.10.14
Meeting to discuss Unitary Development Plan	27.10.14
Financial Seminar	06.02.15

I represented Gwynedd Council on the following outside bodies:	I represented Gwynedd Council in the following meetings:
Llanbedr Primary School (Governor) Ardudwy School (Governor) Special Educational Needs Joint Committee Gwynedd and Môn Adoption Panel	Improving Access to Llanbedr Airport Stakeholder Group Bont Briwet Liaison Group Cambrian Coast Rail Conference Meetings

I attended the following Learning and Development training sessions:

Corporate	Date
Effective Governance	9/4/2014
Waste Strategy	7/5/2014
Workshops on Safeguarding Children & Vulnerable Adults	7/5/2014 + 24/6/2014 + 4/7/2014
Leading Communities through Change	2/7/2014
Transforming Social Services	17/9/2014
Safe Leadership	19/11/2014
Webcasting	26/11/2014
Corporate Parenting	25/2/2015

Additional	Date
Effective Chairing Skills	16/4/2014
Safeguarding Children	24/6/2014
Assertiveness and Dealing with Difficult People	20/3/2015
Time Management and Coping with Stress	17/4/2015

Total Number of hours: 40 hours