

ANNUAL REPORT - 2015/16

<p>Councillor: Caerwyn Roberts</p> <p>Ward: Local member for Harlech and Talsarnau</p>	<p>Group: Plaid Cymru</p>																														
<p>Purpose of the annual report:</p> <p>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.</p>																															
<p>Role and responsibilities:</p> <p>Local member for Harlech and Talsarnau</p>																															
<p>Constituency activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I managed to obtain £10,000 from the National Grid to create a playing field and car park in Talsarnau. • Assisted with the petition objecting to changing and charging a parking fee in Harlech and got the County Council to agree to reduce the parking fee. • Managed to ensure that the Community Council gets a 25 year lease of land at Pen Graig, Harlech. • Arranged for Coleg Harlech to spray Japanese knotweed-killer for the second year running. • Supported and assisted the social initiative that runs the Harlech Swimming Pool including assisting them to tarmac the road leading up to the pool. • Chairman and co-founder of the Harlech in Action Group, a group that has been established in order to improve the town and the vicinity. It includes residents, businesses and a representation from local schools. 																															
<p>Other initiatives and activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member of Harlech Community Council (Chairman 2014-2016) • Member of Llanfair Community Council • Attended Talsarnau Community Council • Snowdonia National Park Authority Chairman • One Voice Wales Honorary President • Vice-chair of Gwynedd Council's Communities Scrutiny Committee • Ysgol Talsarnau Chair of Governors • Governor of Ysgol Tan y Castell, Harlech • Chairman of the Gwynedd and Anglesey Special Educational Needs Committee • Meirionnydd Area Forum Chairman 																															
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* NUMBER OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS DURING 2015/16					
Percentage of Attendance: 80%					
I was absent from the Committees noted because:					
I participated in the following additional meetings, seminars, investigations and workshops:					
Scrutiny Forum					
Post-16 Education Transport Scrutiny Investigation					
Homelessness Scrutiny Investigation					
Public Toilets Scrutiny Investigation					
Green Waste Scrutiny Investigation					
Closure of Harlech Library in Future					
106 Agreements Scrutiny Investigation					
Strategic Plan Workshop					
Savings Workshop					
Gwynedd Council's Response to the Refugee Crisis					
The Welsh Language and the Planning System					
I represented Gwynedd Council on the following external bodies or following meetings:					
Governor of Ysgol Tan y Castell, Harlech					
Governor of Ysgol Talsarnau					
Snowdonia National Park Authority					
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I attended the following Learning and Development training sessions:					
	Date				
i-Pad Training	20.05.15				
Planning Bill (Raising awareness of Members and SNPA Members)	05.11.15				
Modern Gov	25.11.15				
Your Responsibility for Equality	03.12.15				
Social Services and Well-being (Wales) Act 2014	21.01.16				
Effective Scrutiny	05.02.16				
2016 Code of Conduct - Update	23.03.16				
A Rights Based Approach to Disability	31.03.16				
Effective Charing Skills	20.04.16				
Dementia - raising awareness and developing dementia friendly communities	09.05.16				
Total number of hours: 23					