



# Annual Report 2017/18

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Thomas

Penrhyndeudraeth Ward



**Plaid Cymru**

The purpose of the report is to help constituents know more about the work and activities of their elected members during the year

[This link leads](#) to the Council's website, which shows the details of the committees and outside bodies on which I serve, as well as my attendance record.

## Main Electoral and Community Activities

- Cabinet Member with responsibility for Education
- Working with the Town Council and the Minffordd Improvements Society to establish a play area in the village
- Regular meetings with the Police to discuss local issues
- Discussions with the Highways Agency regarding road safety in the Square and Castle Street
- Collaboration with Council Officers and the Head of Ysgol Cefn Coch to plan safe routes to School
- Work with the Welsh Language Society and local residents on housing matters
- Work with the Football/Sports Association/Town Council to secure the future of the Parc Sports Field
- Meetings with Council staff and the residents of Penlan Uchaf and Penlan Isaf to try and resolve a land ownership conflict
- Working with the Penrhyn Town Council to conduct a housing needs survey in the area
- Working with the Town Council to establish an use for Cae Cookes
- Supported a number of electors with housing and accommodation matters
- Campaigned to get a play field at Minffordd
- Campaigned to overcome parking difficulties in various places within the ward
- Campaigned on the impact of the Local Development Plan on Penrhyndeudraeth
- Campaigned against charging at Sarn Car Park.
- Campaigned for work to install electricity cables underground and under afon Dwryrd
- Campaigned to clean the area around the Train Station at Penrhyn
- On behalf of the Ward, I attended the Strategic Plan Workshop
- On behalf of the Ward I attended Savings Workshops
- On behalf of the Ward I attended Cuts Workshops
- On behalf of the Ward I attended the Council's Engagement Group

## Meetings, Seminars and Training that I attended

- Member of Penrhyndeudraeth Town Council
- Ysgol Hafod Lon and Ysgol Ardudwy Governor
- Llanfrothen Community Council meetings
- Meetings with Minffordd residents and Festival No.6 Organisers
- Member of a group that seeks to develop a Community Energy project in the Area
- Member of a Local Committee that seeks to restore + develop the Cob Tollgate Building
- Chair of Gwynedd and Anglesey Post-16 Education Consortium
- Estyn meetings
- Welsh Government meetings
- Chair of GwE Joint Committee (North Wales School Improvement Service)
- Corporate Parent Panel
- Strategic Panel for Safeguarding Children and Adults
- Working Group to Influence Children's Social Use of Welsh
- Strategic Meetings of Secondary and Primary School Headteachers
- Chair of Schools Organisation Programme Board
- Chair of Cynnal Management Board
- Additional Education Project Board
- Schools Budget Forum
- Education Management Team
- Schools Admission Forum
- Primary Headteachers Conference
- WLGA Annual Conference
- The Welsh Language Charter Conference
- Attend Services Scrutiny Committee (as required) and Scrutiny Investigations
- Team Development (Cabinet) - 5 Behaviours 19/03/18
- Dealing with the Press 23/02/18
- Mentoring Training 17/01/18
- Developing Managers (Implementing Ffordd Gwynedd Project) Vanguard 12/01/18
- Corporate Parenting 10/01/18
- The Responsibilities of Housing and Partnerships in Gwynedd 15/11/17
- Safe Leadership 02/10/17
- Good School Development Plan 27/09/17
- The Well-being of Future Generations Act 14/06/17
- Induction for Members 09-10/05/2017 - Code of Conduct , Technology, Democracy, Support for Members and Information