



Annual Report 2017/18

**Councillor Nia
Jeffreys**

**Porthmadog Ward
(East)**



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

- In my first year as a Councillor I have focused on work in the ward and helping people with their problems.
- I hold regular surgeries every month where people can come and see me face to face. I also proactively contact people to offer help when I hear of problems.
- I have arranged site visits with council officers to look at rubbish collection in the ward, road safety and parking. I have had success in dealing with issues like road safety, parking drainage, rubbish collections, housing and many more.
- I communicate regularly with people in the ward via social media and newsletters.
- I have taken up the role of school governor at Ysgol Eifion Wyn and Ysgol Eifionydd and I am grateful to the teachers and fellow governors for the warm welcome and support. Working with the Head teacher of Eifion Wyn we were able to get the council to put measures in place to try and tackle the Seagull problem at the school.
- I have continued with my voluntary work in the community.
- I am Vice Chair of Caru Port and thankful to everyone involved with the Christmas lights and the Hwyl yr Harbwr summer activities.
- I am on the Wylan committee and have secured new income for the community paper.
- I am still a member of the Marie Curie fundraising group who have raised thousands of pounds this year.
- I am pleased to be involved with the Dementia Go project. A recent evening with Beti George was a big success in raising awareness of the condition.
- Meet regularly with local police officers and PCSO to discuss concerns of Porthmadog people about, for example, drugs and speeding in the town.
- Member of Cartrefi Cymunedol Gwynedd Board and regularly raise local issues with them.

My focus for the year to come will remain on helping people in Porthmadog – my advice surgeries will continue on the first Saturday of the month from 11am till 12 in Porthmadog Library.

Meetings, Seminars and Training that I attended:

- The Role of Welsh in the Community 31/01/18
- Lettings and Homelessness Policy 22/11/17
- TThe Responsibilities of Housing and Partnerships in Gwynedd 15/11/17
- Leadership Programme (Elected Members) 17/10/17
- Principles of Education 20/09/17 Face to face
- Scrutiny Questioning Skills 05/09/17 Face to face
- Lead and contribute towards Effective Committees 19/07/17
- Ffordd Gwynedd 05/07/17
- Advisory Sessions 14/06/17
- Council Budget 07/06/17
- Induction for Members 2017 - Code of Conduct 09/05/17
- Induction for Members 2017 - Technology 09/05/17
- Induction for Members 2017 - Democracy 09/05/17
- Induction for Members 2017 - Support for Members 09/05/17
- Induction for Members 2017 - Information 09/05/17