



Powys County Council Councillor's Annual Report

This report gives details of the Councillor's key activities over the year ending 15th May 2014. It is provided for the information of all constituents and for no other purpose.

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Group: The Non-Political Group	Date: September, 2014

Section 1: Role & Responsibilities

I served on these Powys County Council committees [actual attendance/number of meetings held] and working groups:

Powys County Council – 9/10

Cabinet – Leader - [May 2013 – December 2013 and from January 2014] – 15/16

Montgomeryshire – 7/11

I served on the following outside organisations:

Llanfair Caereinion Sports Centre Management Committee

Welsh Local Government Association Co-ordinating Committee

Welsh Local Government Association

Section 2: Leader activity

Since becoming Leader of Powys County Council in January 2014, I have worked to ensure that the Cabinet delivers high quality services whilst remaining within the challenging budget set by Council. As Leader I have ensured that the Cabinet receives regular performance and budget monitoring reports.

I have encouraged the move towards Powys becoming a commissioning Council and alternative ways of delivering services including working with Town and Community Councils. As an example, I have worked with the Chief Executive to put in place an officer to act as Town and Community Council liaison and take the lead on community delivery.

Delivering services at a time of budget cuts is challenging but the public consultation events were helpful in shaping the Cabinet's decisions on the budget. Learning from that experience, I have brought forward planning for the 2015/16 budget.

As Leader I have ensured that Powys has a voice at a national level through my membership of the Welsh Local Government Association [WLGA] Co-ordinating Committee and meetings with the Welsh Government Ministers.

Constituency activity

My door is always open to my constituents to solve their problems if I possibly can. I feel it is very important one must not forget who returned us to office and this is also a part of my work that I greatly enjoy.

Section 3: Learning & Development

Sustainable development Bill; Sustainable Standards Day; Regeneration and the Powys Economy; Adult and Child Protection; Post 16 Education seminar; Local Development Plan seminar, Media training; Service and budget challenges seminar.



Cyngor Sir Powys Adroddiad Blynyddol Cynghorydd

Mae'r adroddiad hwn yn nodi manylion gweithgareddau allweddol y Cynghorydd dros y flwyddyn yn diweddu 15^{fed} Mai 2014. Darperir yr adroddiad er gwybodaeth etholwyr, ac nid at unrhyw ddiben arall.

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Grŵp: Y Grŵp Anwleidyddol	Dyddiad: Medi, 2014

Adran 1: Rôl a Chyfrifoldebau

Rwyf wedi gwasanaethu ar y pwyllgorau a'r gweithgorau canlynol o fewn strwythur Cyngor Sir Powys [presenoldeb gwirioneddol/nifer o gyfarfodydd a gynhaliwyd:
Cyngor Sir Powys – 9/10
Y Cabinet – Arweinydd - [Mai 2013 – Rhagfyr 2013, ac ers Ionawr 2014] – 15/16
Sir Drefaldwyn – 7/11

Rwyf wedi gwasanaethu ar y sefydliadau allanol canlynol:
Pwyllgor Rheoli Canolfan Hamdden Llanfair Caereinion
Pwyllgor Cydlynu Cymdeithas Llywodraeth Leol Cymru
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Adran 2: Gweithgaredd fel arweinydd

Ers fy mhenodi'n Arweinydd Cyngor Sir Powys ym mis Ionawr 2014, rwyf wedi gweithio i sicrhau fod y Cabinet yn cyflenwi gwasanaethau uchel eu hansawdd, ac ar yr un pryd yn cadw o fewn y gyllideb heriol a gytunwyd gan y Cyngor. Fel Arweinydd rwyf wedi sicrhau fod y Cabinet yn derbyn adroddiadau rheolaidd ar berfformiad ac ar fonitro'r gyllideb.

Rwyf wedi annog symud Powys tuag at Gyngor Comisiynu, a ffyrdd amgen i gyflenwi gwasanaethau, gan gynnwys gweithio gyda Chynghorau Tref a Chymuned. Er enghraifft, rwyf wedi gweithio gyda'r Prif Weithredwr i gael swyddog sy'n gweithio fel swyddog cyswllt ar ran Cynghorau Tref a Chymuned ac i arwain ar gyflenwi i'r gymuned.

Mae cyflenwi gwasanaethau yn ystod cyfnod o doriadau i'r gyllideb yn heriol, ond roedd y digwyddiadau ymgynghori â'r cyhoedd yn ddefnyddiol o ran siapio penderfyniadau'r Cabinet ar y gyllideb. Trwy ddysgu o brofiad, mae proses cynllunio ar gyfer cyllideb 2015/16 yn digwydd yn gynharach.

Fel Arweinydd, rwyf wedi sicrhau fod gan Bowys lais ar lefel genedlaethol, trwy f'aelodaeth ar Bwyllgor Cydlynu Cymdeithas Llywodraeth Leol Cymru [CLILC] a thrwy gyfarfodydd gyda Gweinidogion Llywodraeth Cymru.

Gweithgaredd o fewn yr Etholaeth

Mae croeso i etholwyr ddod i'm gweld gydag unrhyw broblem - ac rwyf yn barod i helpu os gallaf. Yn fy marn i, mae'n bwysig cofio gan bwy y cefais f'ethol, ac mae gwaith o fewn yr etholaeth yn rhoi llawer o bleser imi.

Adran 3: Dysgu a Datblygu

Mesur Datblygiad Cynaliadwy; Diwrnod ar Safonau Cynaliadwy; Adfywio ac Economi Powys; Amddiffyn Oedolion a Phlant; Seminar Addysg ôl-16; Seminar ar y Cynllun Datblygu Lleol; Hyfforddiant ar y Cyfryngau; Seminar ar yr Heriau i Wasanaethau a'r Gyllideb.