

Member's Annual Report 2017/18

This is the report by the Councillor below regarding his key activities over the year ending 31 March 2018. It is provided for the information of all constituents and for no other purpose. The views expressed in this report are those of the Councillor and they do not necessarily reflect the views of the Isle of Anglesey County Council.

Councillor: Ieuan Williams
Group: The Independent Group

Ward: Lligwy

1 - Role & Responsibilities

I am Deputy Leader of the Council and portfolio holder for the Welsh Language and Information Technology. In addition, I represent the Council on the Wales Local Government Association and represent the WLGA's independent group on the Partnership Council between Local Government and Welsh Government.

Between May 2017 and March 2018, I sat on the following main committees / sub-committees:	Number of meetings arranged	Number attended
Council	9	8
Executive	11	9
Appointments Committee (Chair)	9	9
Language Task Group	4	4
<p>The statistics provided are relevant only to the committees listed in this table. The statistics do not include attendance at other meetings related to the work of the Council. Attendance may also be dependent on the availability of a Member who is in employment.</p> <p><i>Attendance levels may vary due to the nature of work and responsibilities of members - as portfolio holder, committee chair or representing the Council on outside bodies, for example.</i></p>		

I am a member of the Isle of Anglesey Charitable Trust and attended 1 out of the 6 meetings arranged. I am also a member of the Trust's Regeneration Committee and did not attend the 2 meetings arranged.

I represent the Council on the following outside bodies:	Number of meetings arranged	Number attended
Anglesey Language Forum	10	3
Welsh Local Government Association	5	5
Partnership Council	3	2
Menter Môn	2	1
Governor – Goronwy Owen Primary School Benllech	10	10
Governor – Ysgol Syr Thomas Jones Amlwch	6	5

2 - Constituency Activity

I continuously provide advice or support for individuals regarding various matters in the ward. Over the year, I have assisted electors with planning issues (making enquiries with regard to planning policies, reporting on cases requiring enforcement and calling applications in to committee). Highways issues are raised regularly, e.g. requests for mirrors on dangerous bends and safety issues in Benllech square. This issue is currently being considered by Highways officers and a meeting was held recently between them and Tesco managers. I receive requests for assistance from electors requiring Council housing and although Councillors have little influence in this process, we can help them to fill in the form and explain the banding system.

I attend as many fundraising events as possible in Ysgol Goronwy Owen and recently attended the summer fair and a bingo night.

I have been Chairman of the Moelfre Lifeboat for over a year and I chair their monthly risk management meetings.

I support the group NO TO PYLONS and try to attend as many meetings as possible. I protested with them in front of the National Grid's offices in Pentir and on the bridge over the A55 adjacent to Britannia Bridge.

3 - Initiatives and Special Activities

I, along with Councillor Carwyn Jones and the Head of Planning and Economic Development, recently represented the Council in a meeting with the Mayor of Dublin. This was the result of a proposal made to the County Council by Councillor Robert Llewelyn Jones.

I attended a meeting with Albert Owen and the National Grid in London last month to impress upon them the importance of meeting Members of the Isle of Anglesey County Council. They have neither met nor presented their case to the new members elected in May 2017. On the same day, I attended a meeting of the NO TO PYLONS group and OFGEM.

4 - Learning and Development

I have attended the following learning and development initiatives during the past year (information supplied by the Isle of Anglesey County Council):

Member Briefing Sessions (3 out of 12)	May 2017 – March 2018
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5 - Other Activities and Issues

I have weekly meetings with the team leading on the Wylfa Newydd developments in order to have on oversight of the Council's progress in our response to the DCO and the proposal by National Grid.

As portfolio holder, I meet regularly with the information technology manager and the head of transformation.

I deputise for the Leader as the need arises. Recently, the Chief Executive and I attended a meeting in Builth Wells to listen to the Minister for Local Government explaining his case for the reorganisation of Local Government.

More information about me can be found here:

<http://democracy.anglesey.gov.uk/mgUserInfo.aspx?UID=7&LLL=0>

Councillor Ieuan Williams

April 2018
