

## 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: Dylan Wyn Rees**  
**Group: Plaid Cymru**

**Ward: Canolbarth Môn**

### 1 - Role & Responsibilities

<b>Between May 2017 and March 2018, I sat on the following main committees / sub-committees:</b>	<b>Number of meetings arranged</b>	<b>Number attended</b>
Council	9	7
Democratic Services Committee	4	4
Standing Advisory Council on Religious Education (SACRE)	2	2
Corporate Scrutiny Committee (Vice-Chair)	11	10
Audit and Governance Committee	6	5
Disciplinary Committee	0	0
<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 4 out of the 6 meetings arranged. I am also a member of the Trust's General Grants Committee and was unable to attend the 1 meeting arranged.

<b>I represent the Council on the following outside bodies:</b>	<b>Number of meetings arranged</b>	<b>Number attended</b>
North Wales Community Health Council – (Anglesey Local Committee)	8	4* *Unfortunately CHC meetings sometimes clash with Fire & Rescue Authority meetings.
North Wales Fire and Rescue Authority	4	4
North Wales Fire and Rescue Authority Audit Committee	3	3
North Wales Police and Crime Panel	6	6
Governor – Bodffordd Primary School	10	9
Governor – Canolfan Addysg y Bont	8	6

## 2 - Constituency Activity

In addition to sitting on the above committees I also regularly attend a number of other meetings throughout my ward including:

Town and Community Council Meetings – I am a Town Councillor with Llangefni Town Council (I attended 13 full Council meetings out of 14 = 93%) and I have also assumed the main responsibility amongst the three Canolbarth Môn Councillors for attending Llanddyfnan Community Council which I regularly attend.

I also on occasions attend Bryngwran Community Council meetings and Trewalchmai Community Council meetings although my fellow Canolbarth Môn Councillor Bob Parry is the main representative on these committees.

School Governor Meetings – I am a school governor of Canolfan Addysg y Bont and Chair of the Board of Governors for Ysgol Gymuned Bodffordd.

Four years ago I was appointed to serve on the North Wales Community Health Council which is one of eight statutory NHS Wales's watchdogs representing public and patients interests in healthcare. As part of my role I have assisted with public exhibitions to raise awareness of the CHC's work.

Other local organisations that I am involved with include the following:

- I am a member of Red Squirrels Trust Wales which has done such fantastic work in eradicating grey squirrels from Anglesey and re-establishing the island as a natural habitat for the red squirrel.
- I am secretary of the trustees for Gobaith Môn which is a charity that promotes Christian youth work on the island. Currently Gobaith Môn youth workers are very much involved in working alongside staff at Holyhead High School and Ysgol Syr Thomas Jones, Amlwch.
- I am a member of the Llangefni Partnership which seeks to bring individuals and organisations together with the aim of reviving Llangefni.

During last year I also performed the role of Vice-Chair of the County Council which involved deputising for the Chair in carrying out civic duties on a number of occasions.

Two other bodies that I have been appointed to serve upon since May last year are the North Wales Fire and Rescue Authority (NWFRA) and the North Wales Police and Crime Panel (NWPCP). The NWFRA monitors the operations and budget of the North Wales Fire and Rescue Service whilst the NWPCP monitors the performance and the budget of the North Wales Police and Crime Commissioner.

As well as attending various meetings I also have a significant caseload as I seek to undertake work on behalf of my constituents. Examples of cases I have dealt with over the last twelve months include:

- Planning – objections to applications and assistance with applications.
- Housing – providing advice regarding the allocations policy and assisting clients threatened with homelessness or who were seeking a transfer.

- Highways – complaints regarding speeding, parking and conditions of the road surface.
- Waste Management – complaints regarding waste collection and replacement recycling containers.
- Environment – complaints regarding condition of public footpaths and fly tipping.
- Social Services – assisting complainants.
- Health – signposting complainants to the Community Health Council.

In order to make myself as accessible as possible to my constituents I have created my own Councillor Dylan Rees Facebook page.

### 3 - Initiatives and Special Activities

During the last 12 months I have remained very busy continuing in my role as Chair of the Llangefni Urban Sports Park Project. At the time of writing this report the construction work is coming to an end and the official opening is planned for June 16<sup>th</sup>. The Park will be a fantastic facility for use by all sections of the community. In addition to a wheeled sports area for skateboarders, scooterists and BMX riders it will also have a basketball area, a climbing wall and an outdoor gym.

During the last year I have also been busy attending consultation meetings and representing the views of constituents regarding the Schools Modernisation Programme in the Llangefni area.

### 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):

Introduction to the Authority's Services	11/05/2017
IPad training	12/05/2017
Briefing Session – Corporate Plan and Code	18/05/2017
Finance including Budgeting and Treasury	25/05/2017
Basic Safeguarding	01/06/2017
The Constitution	05/06/2017
Effective Audit	15/09/2017
Introduction to the Auditor General	21/09/2017
Effective questioning in Scrutiny	04/12/2017
Introduction to e-learning	16/01/2018
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Risk Management	23/03/2018
ACE Training	28/03/2018
Member Briefing Sessions ( 11 out of 12 )	May 2017 – March 2018
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## 5 - Other Activities and Issues

In order that I can best serve my constituents I recognise that I need to involve myself in the community as much as possible. As a result I regularly attend different cultural/community and public events e.g.

Cultural events – Eisteddfod y Llys, various exhibition openings at Oriel Ynys Mon, Cymanfa Ganu in Gwalchmai, book launch at Theatr Fach – “Croesi i Fon” by J Richard Williams.

Community events – Llangefni Carnival, Young Farmers Rally at Mona, Clean up events in Llangefni organised by Keep Wales Tidy, Christmas Concerts at Ysgol Gymuned Bodffordd, Canolfan Addysg y Bont and Bodwrog Memorial Hall, opening of the Iorwerth Arms, Bryngwran as a community hub, Phoenix project awards to young people at Llangefni Fire Station, Autumn Fair at Mona Showground, Ysgol Gyfun Llangefni school fair, Keeping healthy and Eco week at Ysgol y Graig, Llangefni, Llangefni Food Slam.

Public events – AGM of Ynys Mon CAB, AGM Red Squirrels Trust Wales, Launch of Gorwel Supporting People Programme, Re-opening of the Tenovus store in Llangefni, Tree of Lights Christmas Service at St Cyngar’s Church, Llangefni.

More information about me can be found here:

<http://democracy.anglesey.gov.uk/mgUserInfo.aspx?UID=267&LLL=0>

<b>Councillor Dylan Rees</b>
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<b>April 2018</b>
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