ANNUAL REPORT- 2014/15

Councillor: Ioan Ceredig Thomas

Group: Plaid Cymru

Ward: Caernarfon - Menai

Purpose of the annual report:

The aim of the Annual Report is to assist the electorate to become better informed of the work and activities of their elected local authority member during the year.

Role and responsibilities:

Elected member for the Menai ward in Caernarfon.

From May 2014 to January 2015 - Cabinet Member for the Welsh Language, Customer Care that included the Council's property, the Galw Gwynedd service and Siop Gwynedd service, Information Technology, Libraries and Emergency Planning, Democracy, Legal matters and contact with the Armed Forces.

From January 2015 to May 2015 – Cabinet Member for the Welsh Language, Customer Service that includes Galw Gwynedd and Siop Gwynedd service, Libraries, Housing, Deprivation, Equality and contact with the Armed Forces.

The following constituency activities were held:

I attended 100% of Caernarfon Town Council meetings and I had the opportunity to listen to matters of concern in relation to my duties as a Gwynedd Councillor.

Advice was offered to constituents and other individuals on a number of matters e.g. Planning, Waiting Lists for Housing and municipal matters.

I responded to enquiries from constituents over the phone and via e-mail and house visits occurred every time they were requested.

Met with and walked around the ward with Police officers to draw attention to problems.

The following initiatives and activities were held:

No Pylons Public Meeting National Grid Meetings/Consultations Bontnewydd/Caernarfon Bypass Meetings/Consultations 2016 Caernarfon Food Festival Meetings Caernarfon Chamber of Commerce Meetings Caernarfon Business Improvement Meetings Attended Plaid Cymru meetings regularly during the course of the year

I attended the following Committees:

COMMITTEE	PRESENT
The Council	5
The Cabinet	11
Corporate Scrutiny Committee	1
Services Scrutiny Committee	1
Democratic Services Committee	2
Language Committee	4
Gwyrfai Area Forum	4
Meirionnydd Area Forum	1

Percentage of Attendance: 97%

I was not able to attend the following Committee(s) due to the following reasons: I did not attend one Cabinet meeting due to illness.

I participated in the following additional meetings, seminars, investigations and workshops: Older People Strategy Homelessness Panel

I represented Gwynedd Council on the following	I represented Gwynedd Council in the following
outside bodies:	meetings:
Welsh Books Council	Annual Wales Local Government Society Conference
Ysgol Y Gelli (Governor)	National Armed Forces Champions Meetings

Ysgol Santes Helen (Governor)	North Wales Armed Forces Forum (Vice Chair)
Menai Strait Fishery Order Management Association	Regional Business Improvement Scheme
	Mentrau laith Cymru Annual Meeting
	Cist Gwynedd
	Regional and National Meetings to Safeguard People

	I attended the following	Learning and Developmen	t training sessions:
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Corporate	Date
Effective Governance	9/4/2014
Waste Strategy	7/5/2014
Safeguarding Children & Vulnerable Adults	7/5/2014
Workshops on Safeguarding Children & Vulnerable Adults	24/6/2014 + 4/7/2014
Transforming Social Services	17/9/2014
Webcasting	26/11/2014
Safe Leadership	5/12/2014
Corporate Parenting	25/2/2015
Additional	Date
Child Protection Workshop	24/6/2014
Speed Reading	2/7/2014