

Carmarthenshire County Council Councillor's Annual Report 2018-2019

This annual report outlines the activities of the Councillor named below for the period May 2018 to May 2019 (the Council's Municipal Year). It is provided for the information of constituents, and for no other purpose. The views expressed in the report are those of the Councillor and do not necessarily reflect the views of Carmarthenshire County Council.

Councillor: Kevin Madge	Electoral Division: Garnant
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Section 1: Role & Responsibilities
<i>Council Committees:</i>
County Council
Policy & Resources Scrutiny Committee
Appointments Committee A – Directors
Planning Committee
http://democracy.carmarthenshire.gov.wales/mqAttendance.aspx?UID=180

Section 2: Constituency Activities
<p>Over the last Municipal year I have undertaken 20 surgeries at Ysgol y Bedol and Garnant Club.</p> <p>Over the last Municipal year I have raised 95 enquiries relating to the Garnant ward including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Golwg yr Amman Park pool area• Enforcement Garnant Workman's Hall• Street lighting Upper Station Road and near Bethel Bridge• Maintenance issues at Maes y Bedol and Maesyrendre• Blocked culvert at Brooklands Garage• School crossing patrol at Ysgol y Bedol (Folland Road)• Footpath Arcade Terrace, Garnant• Pothole junction Bryncethin Road / Stepney Road• Asset transfer of Golwg yr Amman• Dog fouling and dogs off leads at Golwg yr Amman• Blocked drains Highfield Road• Water leak at Twyn Square• Caravan enforcement at Bryncethin Road• Blue bags delivery Twyn• Planning application E37177 Brecon View Eco Village

In the last year I have been the Vice-Chair of Carmarthenshire County Council and I attended many events on behalf of the Council.

This year I have been an elected member for 40 years.

I have been working closely with the Cwmamman Bowls Club regarding a new mower with a cash injection of £7,000 from Betws Windfarm Community Benefit Fund.

I am very disappointed that the development at Arcade Terrace has been on stop for nearly a year. I am now working with officers to see what the Council can do to take the development forward in the coming year.

The Workmen's Hall, Garnant remains an eyesore. Planning consent was given by the Planning Department last September, but the developer has not started the development for 74 residential care home.

In the last year, I have had many meetings with officers regarding the Cwmamman Day Centre. I hope next year we will have new investment at the Centre with new activities and also the Centre will celebrate 25 years since it opened in 1994.

In the last year I have worked with officers to have a new surface on the footbridge from Ysgol y Bedol to the Twyn.

Also in the last year, I have been working with officers to have a project to clean all the walls and houses in Maesyrehendre and Maesybedol. I hope the work will be done in September 2019.

I've also been campaigning for new walls at Maesyfron and I am pleased this has now been done.

Part 3: School Governing Bodies

<i>List of School Governing Bodies</i>	<i>Attendance Record</i>
Ysgol y Bedol	Attended all meetings of the School Governing Body

Section 4: Outside Body Representation

<i>List of outside bodies</i>	<i>Attendance Record</i>	
	<i>Number of meetings</i>	<i>Percentage</i>
Brecon Beacons National Park	19	74%

Section 5: Learning & Development

Workshop with Hywel Dda University Health Board

Seminars on:

- Homelessness
- Eiriol Independent Mental Health & Carers Advocacy
- Transform, Innovate & Change Programme
- County Council budget
- Economic Development in Carmarthenshire

Mod.gov Training

Chairing Skills Training

Section 6: Other Activities and Issues

Over the last year I have worked and campaigned as Chairman of Amman Valley Hospital Action Committee to stop cutting beds at Amman Valley Hospital and campaigned for a new x-ray machine at the Hospital.

I have been working with the Town Council on asset transfer of play areas in the community over the last year.

I am involved in the following organisations in the Community, and have undertaken work with them over the last year:

- Chairman of Garnant Branch of Royal British Legion
- Poppy Secretary of the Garnant Branch Legion
- Chairman of Cwmamman Meals on Wheels
- Chairman & Trustee of Garnant Family Centre
- Member of Amman Valley Hospital League of Friends
- Member of Garnant Church Governing Body
- Chairman of Amman Valley Hospital Action Committee

Signed by Councillor: K Madge

Date: 4.11.19