

# Annual Report – Special Responsibilities

(Under the South Gloucestershire Scheme of Members' Allowances, certain councillors who perform significant responsibilities over and above those of other councillors are entitled to receive additional allowances to recognise those extra responsibilities. The Scheme requires councillors in receipt of such allowances to report on their actions. This report is published on the Council's website).

**Report for period: 2016-17** .....

**Name: Councillor Michael Bell**.....

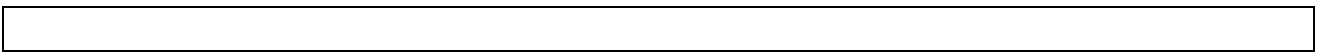
**Position held: Labour Lead Member for Development Control East** .....

## A general outline of the special responsibilities you perform

Act as Spokesperson for Labour Group  
Attend Monthly Agenda, Quarterly, and Training Meetings  
Give advice to fellow Labour Councillors on Planning Issues

## Key Milestones/Achievements during the reporting Period

I have arranged a Presentation Event for a Building Company to meet local residents in respect of their application to build homes in the Mangotsfield Area.



**What “added value” to the local community have you been able to achieve through your special responsibilities?**

Through my knowledge of Planning procedures I have been able to give advice to residents in respect of planning applications

**How have your special responsibilities enabled the Council to be more effective?**

I have been able to explain the role of South Glos Development Control Officers to residents.

**In what ways has the exercise of your special responsibilities supported the core objectives of the Council?**

Advice given irrespective of ethnicity, religion, gender or age etc.

