

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: 2015/16.....

Name: Jon Hunt.....

Position held: Chair, Children & Young People Committee.....

A general outline of the special responsibilities you perform

Chair of Children & Young People Committee
Chair of Corporate Parenting Steering Group
Chair Virtual School Governing Body
Member of Childrens Trust Board
Member of Helath & Wellbeing Board
Member Care & Accommodation Group
Member Local Safeguarding Childrens Board
Member Youth Offending Management Board
Member Families in Focus
Member Schools Forum
Representing South Glos Council in media
Regular meeting with Head of Services
Attend front line services to hear views of staff
Work with officers & partner agencies to ensure the best outcomes for all Children & Young people within South Glos.

Key Milestones/Achievements during the reporting Period

Securing the renewal of the Positive Activities Subsidy
Introducing the Staying Put policy
Appointing a permanent Head of ICS

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

Acting as a main point of Contact for South Glos members with officers
Acting as a main point of contact between residents and the CYP department
Ensuring improved outcomes for Children & Young people in South Glos through policy improvements and that decisions are in the best interest of residents and are best use of Council money

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

The implementation of the transformation programme and appointment of Head of ICS has allowed the department to work towards its delivery of the CSP.
Ensuring that correct and proper planning and scrutiny at the decision formulation stage has encouraged strong positive decisions to be put in front of Committee for final decisions.
Quick and full engagement with officers and public allows the council to be efficient and effective.
Meeting with front line staff enables issues to be picked up by members at an early stage before they escalate.

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

CYP directly contributes to the economy through raising education standards and opportunities for young people in South Glos.
Ensuring policies are in place that supports the best outcomes for Children & Young people.
CYP directly supports families and communities through several initiatives including FiF, Early years, Preventative services.
CYP supports our children in care to give them the best opportunities possible.

