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: 2017-18
Name: Rachael Hunt
Position held: Vice-Chair of Council

A general outline of the special responsibilities you perform

Representing the Council at civic functions, for example, community events, royal visits citizenship ceremonies and educational award ceremonies, among others, when requested.

Being available to chair Full Council in the event the Chair is unavailable.

Key Milestones/Achievements during the reporting Period

Supporting the Chair in his fund-raising endeavours for his chosen Charities and attending events as requested.

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

Being able to highlight local community events, groups and causes through the ceremonial lens, featuring the wide array of volunteering successes, educational achievements and community endeavours that our county should be so proud of.

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

As Vice-Chair, the role ensures that all events can be covered, in relation to the events that the Chair cannot attend.

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

The Vice-Chair role helps, in particular, to engage people of all ages so they feel they belong and encourages a strong sense of place in our neighbourhoods. It allows visibility of the council in the wider community and helps to maximise opportunities for all by highlighting successes within our local authority.