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: Cllr Ben Stokes				
Position held: Lead Member for Adult Social Care				
A general outline of the special responsibilities you perform				
Cabinet Member Chair of HWBB Chair of Learning Difficulties Partnership Board Religious Education In Schools Monitor Board (SACRE) CAH Lead Member Briefings Strategic Housing Meeting and meetings with Merlin Directors Safeguarding Adults Board Member Chair of Lead Member SW Network Member of the South West Adults Improvement Board				

Key Milestones/Achievements during the reporting Period

Visiting council care homes and speaking with staff and residents there to inform my views and provide support and encouragement

Opening Care Village in Stoke Gifford and Supported Living Scheme in Thornbury

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

I've been able to link people together to have conversations about how things can be done better.				
How have your special responsibilities enabled the Council to be more effective?				
I've provided challenge and support to Council Officers regarding policy and innovation				
In what ways has the exercise of your special responsibilities supported the core objectives of the Council?				
I've helped deliver efficiency while overseeing the maintainance of customer care standards				