

## CHAIRMAN'S ROLE

- Chairing Full Council
- Civic role / ambassadorial role which covers many aspects
- The role enables Powys County Council to form close relations with other Welsh counties and bordering counties in England
- Receiving guests at County Hall, for example
  - Visiting students from all over the world on exchange visits
  - Scouts
  - Duke of Edinburgh students
  - High Sheriffs, past and present
  - Guests receiving Gold and Silver Kite Awards
  - Guests receiving British Empire Medals
  - Army Personnel
  - Representatives from “town twinning associations” within Powys who are accompanied by visiting Mayors and guests visiting Powys
- Chairman visits Powys residents celebrating 100<sup>th</sup> birthdays and 60<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversaries
- Raises Funds for various charities
- Receives Regiments who have been given the Freedom of the County of Powys
- Supports other councils at fund raising events, civic services and dinners
- Engages with schools, day centres and homes for older people
- Forms close links with Town and Community Councils
- Close link with Young Farmers' Clubs throughout Powys, attending drama plays
- Chairman works closely with High Sheriff and gives support to Lord Lieutenant when members of the Royal Family visit Powys
- Helps to promote Powys at Royal Welsh Show and Winter Fair
- Receptions on the Showground include:
  - Highlighting charities, eg Alzheimers, Diabetes Wales, Cerebra, SSAFA and many more
  - A chance to thank volunteers for all their hard work, for example poppy sellers
  - Highlights foster caring in Powys
  - Farm Tenants
  - Young Farmers' Clubs
  - Town and Community Councils
  - Ministers, MPs and AMs visiting the Show.

The unique role of Chairman of Powys County Council is a complex one, and inviting guest to his / her Civic Service and Civic Dinner provides an opportunity to showcase Powys and also thank guests for their continued support and goodwill.