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**LATEST NEWS:** Good news as **employment in Wales is up** by 25,000 in the past year and **crime down** to a record low.

I was delighted with the feedback from the **Pembrokeshire Jobs Fair** which showed that over 10% of jobseekers attending had found work as a result of the event. I will be hosting a **second fair in Carmarthen** in the Autumn and full details will be made available shortly.

**COMPETITION:** Have you taken a particularly evocative picture of our constituency in the summer? **Enter it in our summer photo competition** to be in with a chance of winning an iPod Nano. Full details are available on my Facebook page or by contacting the office on the numbers below.



## In the past few weeks here in Pembrokeshire and Carmarthenshire I have:



Held a public meeting in **Lampeter Velfrey** for residents to learn more about the possibilities of superfast wireless broadband provided by **TFL** (*picture: left*). The local Vicar and County Councillor are helping me to try and banish this 'Notspot'.

Met with local **NUT representatives** to discuss teachers' pay and conditions; held a catch up with **Carmarthenshire County Council Chief Executive**, Mark James, on council matters and concerns of local residents. I also visited local success story **GD Harries** which now employs 260 people at it's Narberth depot.

Enjoyed being part of **Their Royal Highnesses' Charles and Camilla's** visit to the **Laugharne Boathouse** as part of the Dylan Thomas Centenary celebrations.

Met worried neighbours of **Tenby Junior School** (*picture: right*) who are concerned about plans to build a new school on the existing playing field. There seems to have been a lack of consultation by Pembrokeshire County Council on any proposals.



Met **Dwr Cymru Welsh Water in Amroth** to discuss problems with sewerage disposal. The company is now offering free emptying of septic tanks for affected homes and are asking for feedback on their future investment plans. **You can contribute** on this website [yourcompanyyoursay.com](http://yourcompanyyoursay.com)



Attended the link up of **Pendine to Vodafone's Open Femto** technology. I nominated the village for the project and was delighted to learn that it would be the first in Wales to benefit from the wireless boxes to boost mobile phone signal.

I also learned more about the challenges facing rural mobile phone providers on a **visit to the 3 Shop in Carmarthen** (picture: left).

Met **Falklands Veterans** organising the Walk on Wales event in aid of the Welsh Guards and Combat Stress. I'm looking forward to joining them for a stage in September.

### In Westminster recent events have included:

Taking part in debates on **legal aid in rural Wales, register of lobbyists and Police & Crime Commissioners**. I've also held meetings with Education Minister, Michael Gove, and Justice Secretary, Chris Grayling, to discuss issues relating to education and legal aid in Wales.

Welcoming groups from **Ysgol Dyffryn Taf** (picture: right) in Whitland and **Monkton Priory School** for visits and tours of Westminster.



Sitting on the **EU Referendum Bill Committee** where the opposition tried in vain to stop the Government's proposals to hold a referendum in 2017. I have also attended meetings of the **Welsh Affairs Select Committee** which has been discussing **Severn Crossing tolls** and also meeting the Welsh **Police & Crime Commissioners** in Cardiff.



Attended the launch of the **RNIB campaign** (picture: left) to get noise generators fitted to electric cars to make them safer for blind and partially sighted pedestrians. I also went to an event organised by **British Gas** to help raise awareness of smart meters and how these can help people save money on their energy bills. 326 have been installed in the constituency already.

Attending briefing sessions and meetings with **Ofcom** about the ongoing concerns with nuisance phone calls; with **Royal Mail** about privatisation; the **NFU** on bovine TB; and **Welsh solicitors** concerning possible legal aid changes.

### And finally:

I was delighted to attend the fantastic **Long Course Weekend** which has now become a major feature in the local calendar. My daughter, Elinor (picture: right), was interviewed by Radio



Pembrokeshire after she won the Taffkids race for her age group and exposed her father's lack of fitness in the process!

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### **What's coming up:**

I've recently held surgeries in Whitland and Narberth and my next ones are at the **County Show** on 14 August and **Pembroke Dock** on 6 September. Please call the office to make an appointment.

**A chance to meet:** many of you will be receiving invitations to meetings I am holding around the constituency over the next few months. These are open to anyone regardless of voting intention and are a chance to ask me questions and discuss issues and concerns that really matter, so please come along. The next event will be held in the **Carmarthen area** or pop into the **Conservative stand at the County Show 13-15 August**.

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