Adroddiad Blynyddol Cyngor Cymuned Llanwenog Community Council Annual Report

Ebrill 2023- Mawrth 2024



1.0 Introduction

- 1.1 Llanwenog Community Council consist of 11 Parish Councillors, who do not represent any political party and who are elected every 4 years. A Clerk/Financial Officer is employed to handle all arrangements for meetings and preparing an agenda to deal with the records and financial and administrative matters linked to implementing the Council's work.
- 1.2 The County Councillor, Cllr Euros Davies also attends the meetings but does not have a vote, he is a member of the Independent Political Party.
- 1.3 The Chairman for the last year 2023-2024 was Cllr Emyr Rees and the vice Chair was Cllr Alwena Williams.
- 1.4 There is a representation from the 8 villages within the community which are Rhuddlan, Cwmsychpant, Cwrtnewydd, Llanwenog, Drefach, Gorsgoch, Brynteg and Alltyblaca.

2.0 Aims and Objectives

2.1 The Council's key aims are:

- To act as a link between public sector organisations and the community on a range of subjects including the environment, planning, community facilities, community safety and other issues affecting the area
- To develop a picture of community needs in order to influence services and policies
- To represent the views of the community
- Provide a wide range of advice, information and support for the community and local voluntary groups
- Identify concerns and issues and seek to develop solutions with other partner organisations
- Support community projects, organisations and groups

3.0 The Council's Activities

- 3.1 Llanwenog Community Council are an active part of the community and work hard to improve the facilities on offer and the appearance of the Parish, as well as the well being of our residents. The following were undertaken in 2023/2024 to aid our aims and objectives.
 - Assessed and responded to all Planning Applications and also reported unauthorised developments to the Local Planning Authority's enforcement team.
 - Responded to a request for a 'Village in Bloom' competition and have bought two concrete water troughs to be used as planters, one in Brynteg and the other in Llanwenog. The support of Ty Cwm Nursery's have been sought to buy the flowers.
 - Responded to the review to the Community Boundary proposed changes.
 - The Remembrance Sunday was organised and held in person by the Community Council with over a 100 people present.
 - Continued holding Hybrid meetings with some members present in the Hall and some on Zoom.
 - Organised and held the Llanwenog Parish Annual Walk around the Cwrtnewydd and Drefach public footpaths and raised £643.00 towards the a new defibrillator for Alltyblaca. This entailed writing about the history of the area and organising tea, coffee and cakes afterwards in Seion Chapel Vestry.
 - Paid for ROSPA Inspection for Cae Sarn, Cwrtnewydd playing field.
 - Repair of the flag pole in Drefach.
 - Communication Boards were received for Cae Sarn and Drefach Playing Fields.
 - Requests were sent to Ceredigion County Council for additional Salt Bins and to clear drains as local flooding has been happening along the roads.
 - Cleaning and maintaining of the Red Kiosks and Book Swap Shops.
 - Moving of one Kiosk to a better position to avoid conflict with an access to a dwelling.
 - Discussions held with Cwmsychpant Show to take over the monitoring and maintenance of three defibrillators in the Parish.
 - Two Councillors represented the Community Council in a meeting held in Aberaeron between the County Council and the Community Councils.
 - Maintenance and cutting of the hedge in the Red Lion car park in Cwrtnewydd.
 - Canvas to get a mobile library in Drefach and Gorsgoch along with a mobile Post Office presence.

4.0 Issues impacting the local community

- Flooding in Highmead Terrace
- Traffic Speed in Drefach and Alltyblacca
- Discussions of the impact of the 20mph on the Parish
- Cutting of overhanging trees and hedgerows
- Filling of potholes
- Clearing of overflowing drains
- Planning and unauthorised development
- Financial support to charities which benefit the residents of the Parish
- Maintenance and repair of roadsides which had collapsed
- Provide support to the organisations within the Parish and collaborate with them on occasions
- Request for mobile library and post office
- Organising of events such as Remembrance Sunday and Annual Sponsored Walk
- Community Boundary Review

5.0 Governance and accountability

- Administered its own affairs effectively, as evidenced by both internal and external audits, ensured good governance and held regular monthly meetings.
 The Community Council filled two vacancies during the year.
- Kept the residents of the Parish informed through the Community Council's website and facebook pages.
- The Community Council's main funding in 2023/24 was the Precept of £15,000.00 and the Council recorded an income of £17,225.23 and an expenditure of £14,026.99 taking over £3198.24 to the next financial year of 2024/25. The precept has remained at £15,000 for 2024/2025 following a review of the budget.
- All Community Councillors declined to take the payment of £154.00 each for their duties.
- The Community Council have now opened up online banking for ease of use for payments for the Clerk and due to the local branch in Lampeter closing.

Clearing of Red Lion Car Park



Remembrance Sunday





