

**LLANDRINIO & ARDDLEEN COMMUNITY COUNCIL  
REPORT UNDER BIODIVERSITY AND RESILIENCE OF  
ECOSYSTEMS DUTY 20<sup>th</sup> Oct 2022**

**(Part 1, Section 6, Environment (Wales) Act 2016)**

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Llandrinio & Arddleen Community Council is committed to reducing the decline of biodiversity in its area and realises the importance of biodiversity conservation and enhancement for our community's health and wellbeing and enables behaviour change towards a sustainable lifestyle.

Under the Environment (Wales) Act (2016) all public bodies in Wales are required to;

1. Maintain and enhance biodiversity when carrying out their responsibilities and in doing so promote the resilience of ecosystems
2. Demonstrate an ecosystem approach by applying the principles set out in the Act.
3. Prepare and publish a plan outlining how they intend to fulfil the duty
4. Publish a report, every three years, on the actions which they have taken to meet this duty

**Review of the S6 Duty:**

**Actions taken by the Community Council include:-**

- ❖ Monitoring every Planning application to ensure that existing habitat including hedgerows are maintained.
- ❖ If hedgerow or trees have to be removed i.e new access then a request is made for a new hedgerow or trees to be planted.
- ❖ Monitor Planning Applications to protect species such as The Great Crested Newt
- ❖ Has paid for daffodil bulbs to be planted in the verges around Sarnau
- ❖ Councillors aware of the need to report any Japanese Knotweed or Himalayan Balsam to Powys County Council for eradication
- ❖ Community Council is still not responsible for any open Space but is supportive of the Open Space called the Wide Water Wharf in Arddleen and has given Grant Funding for maintenance of this area.
- ❖ Have circulated any information to Councillors & Organisations within our Community of the Grants available to create more Nature friendly areas.
- ❖ Encourage and support local schools and youth groups to engage in bio-diversity projects and plant for pollinators
- ❖ Replacement Benches are made of recyclable material
- ❖ Supports local volunteers who maintain the local Footpaths.

### **What are the barriers?;-**

- ❖ Do not have direct control of any areas where work could be carried out i.e planting for Pollinators.
- ❖ Need to pass the information re; Biodiversity to other local groups and Arddleen School

### **What can be changed?**

- ❖ Try to receive training and more information and pass this on to Community Organisation's and Arddleen School
- ❖ Consider appointing a Councillor who will champion the topic and engage with the wider community.