

# CYNGOR CYMUNED LLANGELYNNIN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

## The Biodiversity and Resilience of Ecosystems Duty Report 2025

| Environment (Wales) Act 2016 Part 1 – Section 6                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                                                                    |
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| Name of Town or Community Council: Llangelynnin Community Council                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                                                                    |
| <b>Introduction and Context</b><br>Llangelynnin Community Council provide a range of services to its local community which have an impact on biodiversity.<br>These include responsibility for several green spaces including the footpaths, playground and the war memorial<br>We promote sustainability and biodiversity by pursuing sustainability goals and sustainable practices whenever possible.<br>We serve approximately 562 residents. The precept for 2024/25 was £13,164. |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                                                                    |
| Action Report                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                                                                    |
| Action carried out to:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | Monitored by:                                                                                                      |
| -embed biodiversity into decision making & procurement                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reflected the commitment to biodiversity and natural areas by expressing the desire to join the Dyfi Biosphere and committing to playing an active role within the organisation</li> <li>• Taking into account biodiversity considerations when considering planning applications and other associated matters, such as footpath diversion orders and neighbourhood services matters.</li> <li>• Ensuring that our contractors are fully aware of the duty to promote bio diversity and protect it from interference.</li> </ul> | Commitments made in documents<br>Consideration of biodiversity demonstrated in decisions on planning applications. |
| -raise awareness of biodiversity & its importance                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Where possible encourage the public to consider the biodiversity of the natural surroundings</li> <li>• Where possible take part in events and seminars to learn more about biodiversity and how to improve it and contribute to public information schemes and advertising.</li> <li>• Posting details of the actions we have taken to help biodiversity in the Llangelynnin Community Council area on our website, social media platforms.</li> </ul>                                                                          | Through feedback from Council members and residents.<br>Numbers of people taking part in activities                |

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| -safeguard principal species and habitats                                                                 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• This is reflected in the Council's commitment to undertaking essential groundwork at appropriate times of year and with due consideration for the wildlife and plant-life populations.</li> <li>• Ensure no negative impacts on protected species</li> </ul>                                                               | Records of any sites or species safeguarded |
| -restore & create habitats and resilient ecological networks                                              | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Look at possibilities to improve the biodiversity in and around the playground, footpaths and beach areas.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Area of habitat increased.                  |
| -tackle negative factors: for e.g. reduce pollution, use nature based solutions, address invasive species | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Whenever possible, ensuring office supplies such as paper and cleaning products are sustainably sourced (e.g. locally and/or made from recycled material).</li> <li>• Reduce the use of pesticides to only where absolutely necessary such as to control invasive non-native species such as Japanese Knotweed.</li> </ul> | Minimum amount of pesticide applied         |
| -use, improve and share evidence                                                                          | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Work with the Dyfi Biosphere and other local environmental groups to ensure use of best practice and to learn about other initiatives in the local area to increase our knowledge and share our experiences.</li> </ul>                                                                                                    | Increased knowledge                         |
| -support capacity and/or other organisations                                                              | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Work with Keep Wales Tidy to improve the Playground and footpath areas, and NRW to improve beach areas.</li> <li>• Continuously looking for opportunities to take part in projects that will give more knowledge of how to improve the biodiversity in our community.</li> </ul>                                           | Use of expert advice                        |
| <b>Review of s6 duty</b>                                                                                  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                             |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What worked well?</li> </ul>                                     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cut and collect changes preventing disturbance of wildlife habitats.</li> <li>• Hedgehog boxes, bird boxes and bug hotels have been placed in the community. These will be reviewed in the Spring.</li> <li>• Adopting a process of giving local contractors work reducing the carbon footprint.</li> </ul>                |                                             |

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What have the barriers been?</li></ul>                                | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•Gwynedd County Council continue to spray areas within the Community. Lack of communication also means that we are not sure the spraying will take place.</li><li>•Lack of expertise to identify changes needed or best practice.</li></ul> |  |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What will you change?</li></ul>                                       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•Aim to work more closely with the National Park, Gwynedd Council, Dyfi Biosphere and other local experts.</li></ul>                                                                                                                        |  |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• How and when will the s6 duty be monitored and the s6 plan?</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•The biodiversity plan will be reviewed every year. Successful projects and action be noted as well as looking at improvements.</li><li>•Any changes to the biodiversity plan will be decided on in the review.</li></ul>                   |  |

**ADOPTED 14<sup>th</sup> MAY 2025    REVIEW DATE MAY 2026    K Carroll (Vice Chairman)**