

# LLANDYSILIO COMMUNITY COUNCIL REPORT UNDER BIODIVERSITY AND RESILIENCE OF ECOSYSTEMS DUTY

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

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Llandysilio 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

## **Actions taken by the Community Council include;-**

- ❖ Monitoring every Planning application to ensure that existing habitat including hedgerows are maintained.
- ❖ If hedgerow has to be removed i.e new access then a request is made for a new hedgerow to be planted.
- ❖ Monitor Planning Applications to protect species such as The Great Crested Newt
- ❖ Councillors aware of the need to report any Japanese Knotweed or Himalayan Balsam to Powys County Council for eradication
- ❖ Community Council is still responsible for the Sports & Recreation Field at Foxen Manor and has a Policy of spraying weeds only when necessary when they are a danger in the Play Area. Also responsible for Open Space at Parc Hafod and around the War Memorial.
- ❖ 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
- ❖ Support the regeneration of the Montgomery Canal

Adopted at a meeting held on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> October 2022

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