

Chairman's report for 2022 - 2023

This year started with the election of a new council. Following a non-contested election the result saw a new council form made up of 5 re-standing councillors, B Davies, A Haynes, M James, D James, G Pargeter and welcomed 4 new councillors K Evans, S Haulstrap, D Raffan, S Stacey, along with a new county councillor C Davies. We also welcomed a new clerk in September T Jones.

Successfully completed actions

This year's term saw a celebration of the Queen Elizabeth II's platinum jubilee, for which the council gifted every child 16 years and under a commemorative medallion. The death of Her Majesty the Queen - which saw the council cancel the September meeting as a mark of respect. By the time of this AGM we will have also seen the coronation of King Charles III.

Over the course of the year we have successfully resolved an issue with an abandoned caravan.

As a council we have worked with Ceredigion County Council to improve the footpath markings along the footpath in Coed Erglodd 3/124, these have now been installed.

During the summer of 2022 the council successfully applied for funding from Ceredigion County Council for a Hwyl yr Haf project. The 1 day per week for 4 weeks summer woodland activity program was a huge success with lots of children from within our community accesses and enjoying.

6 training sessions have been attended by a combination of 4 councillors.

8 local groups and organisations have been supported by grants from Llangynfelyn Community Council. 4 of the groups are based in the parish of Llangynfelyn and 4 are groups from our neighbouring parish of Talybont, which members of our parish benefit from. There is one outstanding grant for a local group. The grants paid out total £1700, with a possible additional £200 for the as yet undecided local group.

A supporting letter was provided to support the Cletwr's grant application for funding for their community digital 'what is community' project. The grant applied for is from Ceredigion County Council.

Ongoing actions

Talks with NRW Bog life project and beginning to collaborate on works to be carried out on the common land owned by Llangynfelyn Community Council. This is in its very early stage, but has support from the council to move forward. It is likely the councils next step is to form a smaller subgroup to take this forward as well as holding a public consultation.

Northern Southbound bus stop, water work to find a solution to be running water that flows through the bus stop and onto the road. Much work has already been carried out by the council trying to negotiate with NMWTRA and Ceredigion County Council. There seems to be a firm opinion by both agencies that they are not responsible and that the water running across the road isn't of high concern. As a Council we are now exploring the option of moving the bus stop location to reduce the impact on residents.

We are currently working on a new footpath maintenance programme, our previous maintenance contract has ended and the contractor has now retired. We are exploring the option of employing a contractor for the larger maintenance work and working to establish a volunteer group to complete smaller maintenance work through out the year.

Unsuccessful actions

We were unsuccessful in achieving the planned double yellow lines around the junctions in Taliesin, NMWTRA stated time frame for completing the work has expired. There is a set period of time that work can be carried out after public consultation and an approved plan being submitted and the work starting. Due to Covid the time between the plan being approved and the work being started passed the deadline.

We were also informed that the agreed and outstanding road safety measures for the southern most end of Taliesin will no longer be going ahead. This is due to cuts to the road safety budget from Welsh government.