

LLANELLI TOWN COUNCIL

Annual Report 2018-19



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1. Introduction – Cllr David Darkin – Llanelli Town Mayor 2018-19

It is my pleasure to present the Llanelli Town Council Annual Report for 2018-19. This year's Annual Report outlines the activities and services of the Town Council during the 2018-19 financial year.

My Mayoral Year of 2018-19 has been a very busy period for the Town Council with the Council continuing to build upon its important role in our Community.

The Town Council's position at the heart of Llanelli Community has been cemented during the year by the signing of the asset transfer of Crown Park, Havelock Park, Penyfan Park and People's Park from Carmarthenshire County Council.

I have been delighted to attend to many events across the Community including the Christmas Carnival, numerous concerts and awards ceremonies and to have visited residents at care homes and Prince Phillip Hospital. Of course one of the more solemn moments was the Remembrance Sunday Service in the Town Hall Grounds where many serving and retired service men and women came to pay their respect to fallen comrades.



One of the many highlights was the 'meet the mayor' event where pupils from many of our schools visited myself in the Council Chamber to learn about my role and that of the Council more widely.



During August I was invited to represent the Town at the annual Pruneau Show in our Twin Town of Agen. The twinning link celebrates its 30th anniversary on the 1st July 2019.

I have been honoured to be able to invite a number of different organisations to the Mayoral Parlour during the year to thank them for their service or work in the Community. This has included Armed Forces personnel, veterans, health care volunteers and staff and those involved with our local sporting organisations.



The Town Council's statutory work within our Community has again been recognised this year in the One Voice Wales Innovative Practice Awards with commendations for our Youth, Sustainability, heritage and Asset Project work.

Throughout my year in office it has been my honour to represent the Council at in excess of 250 mayoral engagements and undertaken over 950 hours of community activity. I have also had the opportunity to raise money for my chosen Mayoral Charities, CYCA, Friends of Llanelli Railway Station and Llanelli Shop Mobility.

Cllr David Darkin R.I.B.A.
Town Mayor
2018-19



2. Annual Review - Cllr Shahana Najmi, Leader of Llanelli Town Council



I am delighted to be able to provide an overview of the work undertaken by Llanelli Town Council in 2018-19 as part of our annual report. The Town Council has continued to ensure that all its activities and policies take account of the Well-being of Future Generations Act 2016. The Town Council has adopted the 7 key goals and 5 ways of working set out by the Act which continues to inform our community work. This annual report details the Town Council activities in relation to the 7 key goals.

Llanelli Town Council continues to provide a wide variety of services to the people of Llanelli. In order to make this possible I have been delighted to continue with our tradition of partnership working to enable the most efficient use of resources for the benefit of our Town.

The Council has completed the asset transfer of Crown Park, Havelock Park, Penyfan Park and People's Park, with the next stage, the transfer of the Parks at Clos yr Ysgol, Nightingale Court and Morfa Park anticipated in the coming months. The Town Council is committed to maintaining and improving these areas with a large amount of development planned for the 2019-20 year. The Town Council continues to work in partnership with Llanelli Rural Council and Carmarthenshire County Council to maintain these facilities. We look forward to completing the sub-leases at each of the playing field facilities in order that the sporting clubs using them as their home can take a measure of ownership of the facilities and to work in partnership with the Town Council in their maintenance into the future.

The Council also continues to work with the Business Improvement District, Ymlaen Llanelli, supporting the 80's Festival Weekend, the Food Festival and the annual Reindeer Parade. These event bring a large number of people into the Town Centre for what are very popular activities.



Our 7 Community Centres, Selwyn Samuel Centre and Stebonheath Park are as ever extensively used by local organisations and our sporting clubs. Each one of these examples shows the Town Council's willingness to think and work in a proactive, progressive and practical way for the benefit of its communities.

The Town Council is very proud to be part of an unique partnership through the Parc Howard Collaboration Group. This Joint Working Group with the County Council funds and manages Parc Howard, ensuring the facility is improved and remains in public ownership.



Working in our Community continues to be central to the ethos of the Council with our dedicated Community Development Service being seen as an exemplar across Wales. We are currently working in partnership with a number of other agencies supporting community projects such as Llanelli Community Partnership, the Crafty Seniors group, Unloved Heritage project and Ty Golau as well as being a key partner in the multi-agency environmental enhancement project called 'Pride In Our Patch'.



While 2018-19 has been a busy year, I look forward with great anticipation to the further developments to be completed in 2019-20 as the Town Council further cements its central role in the Llanelli Community and moves forward with implementation of further services that can be provided to our residents.

Best wishes

Cllr Shahana Najmi J.P.
Town Council Leader

3. Llanelli Town Council Structure and Governance

May 2017, saw the election of the current Llanelli Town Council with 22 member elected for the first time as the Town Council was expanded from the previous 20 members. Members elected were:

Llanelli Town Council Members 2018-19

Cllr M.D. Cranham

Cllr Ms. S.A. Curry (Deputy Town Mayor)

Cllr D.Ll. Darkin (Town Mayor)

Cllr S.I. Davies

Cllr T. Davies

Cllr J.S. Edmunds

Cllr Ms. L.A. Edmunds

Cllr M.P. Edmunds

Cllr C. Griffiths

Cllr Mrs. S.J. Griffiths

Cllr J.P. Jenkins

Cllr J.E. Jones J.P.

Cllr W.J. Lemon

Cllr A.S.J. McPherson

Cllr Ms. S. Najmi J.P. (Leader of the Council)

Cllr J.G. Prosser

Cllr C.A. Reed

Cllr S. Rees

Cllr Mrs. B.A.L. Roberts

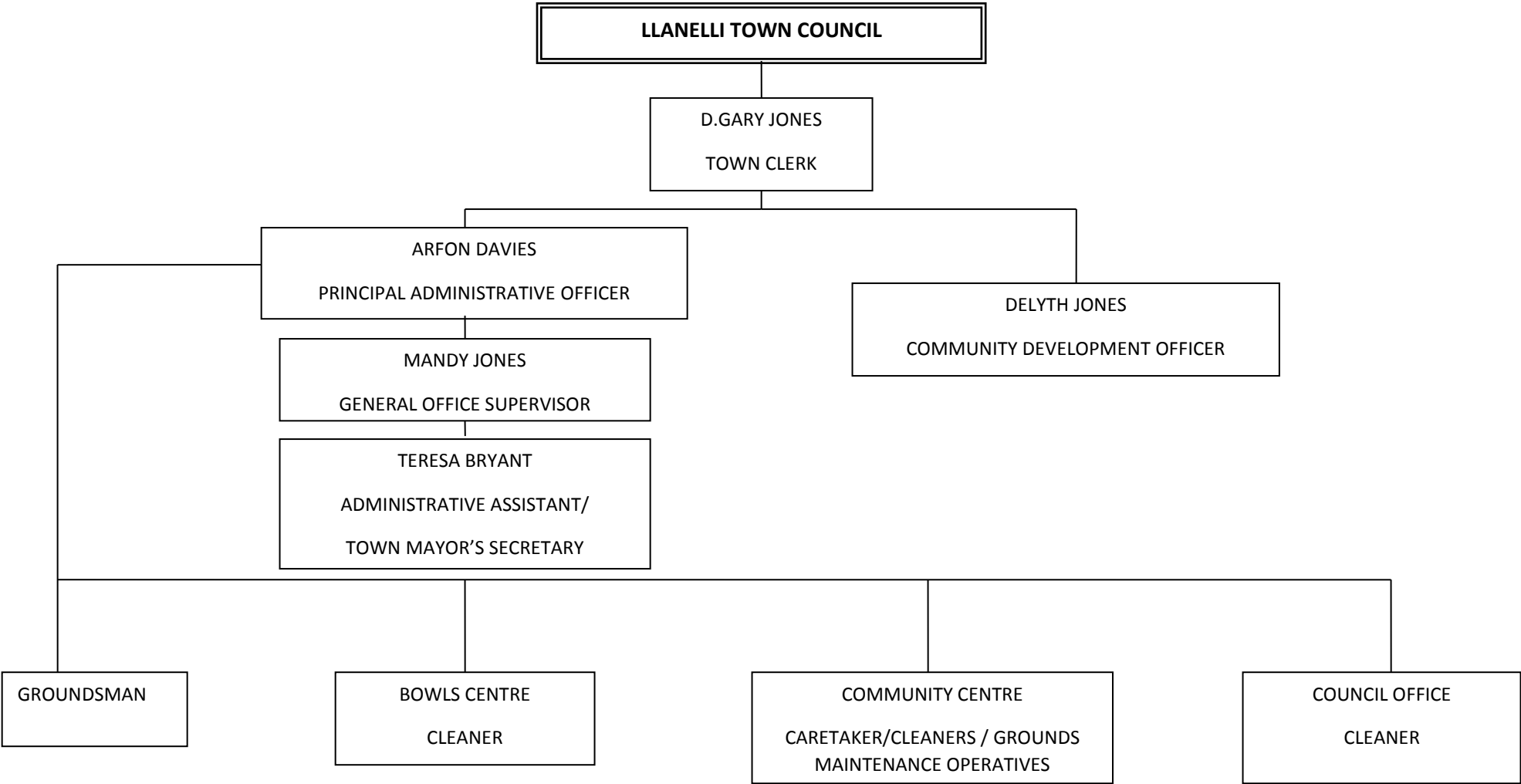
Cllr W.E. Skinner

Cllr. P.T. Warlow

Cllr Mrs. J. Williams

Llanelli Town Council employs a group of dedicated officers and staff to support the actions and policies agreed by the Town Council.

Llanelli Town Council Staffing Structure – 2018-19



4. The Services We Deliver

Recreation and Sport

The Town Council provides excellent facilities at Stebonheath, home to Llanelli Town Football Club and West Wales Raiders Rugby League and at the Selwyn Samuel Centre. The Asset Transfer of Crown Park, Havelock Park, Penyfan Park and People's Park from the County Council was completed during 2018 with the Council now looking to complete the sub-leases with the local sports clubs and organisations in the near future. The Council continues to work with the County Council to maintain Penygaer Playing Fields and through the Town Council's financial contribution and membership of the Parc Howard Collaboration Group works in partnership with the County Council to manage Parc Howard, ensuring the facility is improved and remains in public ownership.



Events and Promotions

The Town Council funds the provision and maintenance of the Hanging Baskets in the Town Centre, providing a blaze of colour through the summer months. The Council works closely with other organisations such as Y Lle and the Llanelli Business Improvement District (Ymlaen Llanelli) to support a number of events arranged during the year which currently include the 80's Music Festival, Food Festival and Reindeer Parade. The Council also works with the County Council and Llanelli Rural Council to arrange and fund the Annual Christmas Carnival. The Town Council works with Community Organisations and Groups in events and project across the Town such as Llanelli Voices, Story Care and Share and Young Market Trader Promoters.

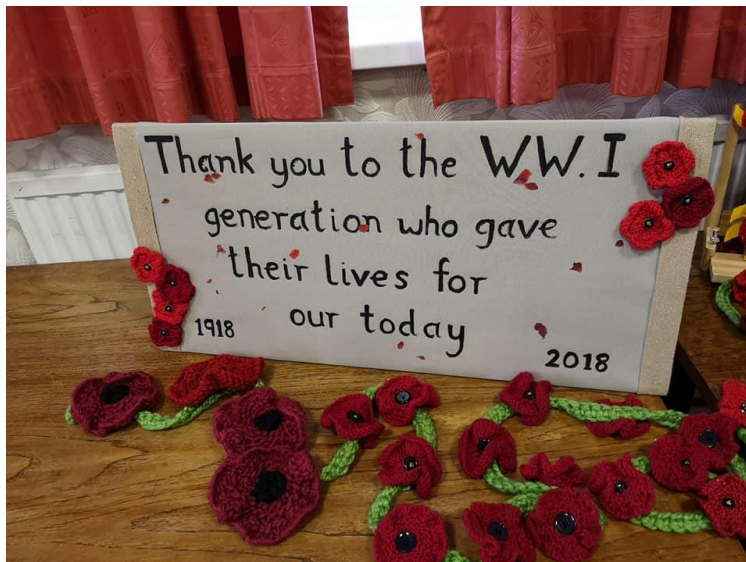


Llanelli Cemetery

Llanelli Town Council jointly owns Box Cemetery with Llanelli Rural Council and through this partnership and our role on the Llanelli Joint Burial Advisory Committee continue to fund the cemetery.

Community Support

The Council owns and manages seven community centres providing subsidised facilities for use by the public of all ages. Additionally, it advises and assists community groups on a wide range of issues and provides grants and sponsorship to support the work of many local clubs, societies and organisations. Our Community Development Officer continues to work with many organisations delivering projects such as Unloved Heritage, Our Town and Dementia Friendly Communities.



Footpaths and Lighting

The Town Council continues to inspect and maintain the town's public footpaths on behalf of the County Council as well as funding the energy and maintenance costs of the street lighting on these pathways.

Llanelli Town Mayor

The Llanelli Town Mayor is the Civic Head of the Council and the first citizen of Llanelli. The Town Mayor is supported by a Secretary and the Town Council Staff. They attend a huge number of varying functions, events and meetings during their year of office and raises considerable sums for their Mayoral Charities during the period. In 2018-19 the Mayor attended more than 250 events and meetings.



Cultural and Heritage

Llanelli Town Council owns Llanelly House which it has leased to CHRT on a long lease. The Town Council and the County Council continue to support the House to ensure that the Grade I listed building is maintained to the high standards already being set enabling it to be a significant asset to the town centre and its visitors. The Town Councils involvement in the Parc Howard Collaboration Group continues to ensure the Grade 1 listed museum building remains in public ownership and available to the whole Community. The Town Council also is a key partner, providing funding towards the great places project that will significantly change the way that the heritage of Llanelli is presented and understood, creating a sense of place over the forthcoming 3 years. The very successful Unloved Heritage programme has been and will continue to be supported by the Town Council creating opportunities for young people to become involved in the heritage of their Community.

5. Financial Information

Net Expenditure Analysis 1st April 2018 to 31st March 2019

Budget & Actual Comparison

	Budget £	Actual £
Expenditure		
Cultural & Heritage	1,423	1,381
Recreation & Sport	500,557	356,098
Community Centres	135,407	114,385
Cemetery, Cremation & Mortuary	55,000	66,000
Community Support (including Markets)	129,206	120,841
Footpaths & Lighting	17,306	15,698
Events & Promotions	25,692	23,767
Llanelli Town Estate	(65,000)	(65,000)
Net Direct Services Costs	799,591	633,170
Corporate Management	41,261	40,060
Democratic & Civic	185,716	168,447
Net Democratic, Management and Civic Costs	226,977	208,507
Interest & Investment Income	(510)	(2,547)
Capital Expenditure		878
Transfers to/(from) other reserves		249,386
Reversal of Statutory Adjustments	(126,391)	(126,391)
Surplus to/(Deficit from) General Reserve	333	(63,003)
Precept on County Council	900,000	900,000

An overview of the (underspend)/overspend in relation to the budget is shown below:-

-£144,459	Recreation & Sport		
	-£7,281	Sports Development Officers	
	-£8,957	Selwyn Samuel Centre	
		-£5,000	Miscellaneous Expenditure
		-£1,155	Repairs and Renewals
		-£1,155	Hiring Income
		-£1,531	Energy Re-charges
	-£7,558	Stebonheath Park	
		-£5,000	Miscellaneous

			Expenditure
		£1,508	Water charges
		£2,526	Professional Fees
		£2,000	Income
		-£8,821	Capital saving
	-£10,759	Asset Transfer Sites 2nd Tranche	
	-£9,148	Allotments and Gardens	
	-£38,490	Crown Park Maintenance Works	
	-£20,076	Havelock Park Maintenance Works	
	-£47,789	Parc Y Dre Maintenance Works	
	£4,513	Penyfan Park	
	£1,369	Penygaer Playing Fields	
-£21,022	Community Centres		
	£3,334	Glenalla Community Centre	
		£8,193	Repairs and Renewals
		-£2,187	Energy Charges
		-£1,000	Miscellaneous Expenditure
	£5,124	Penymorfa Community Centre	
		£4,235	Repairs and Renewals
		£2,969	Professional Fees
		-£1,008	Energy Re-Charges
	-£19,699	St. Barnabas Community Centre	
		-£16,250	Lease Purchase
		-£1,000	Miscellaneous Expenditure
		-£1,792	Hirings
	-£7,839	Wesleyan Community Centre	

		-£1,000	Miscellaneous Expenditure
		-£2,112	Wages
		-£5,000	Maintenance Works
£11,000	LJBAC	Movement from Earmarked Reserve	
-£8,365	Community Support		
	-£9,591	Community Development Officer	
	-£3,381	Promotion & Marketing	
	£4,607	Community Grants	
-£1,608	Footpaths and Lighting		
-£1,925	Events and Promotions		
	£201	Hanging baskets	
	-£2,125	Christmas Carnival	
-£1,201	Corporate Management		
-£17,269	Democratic & Civic		
	-£2,994	Democratic	
	-£2,295	Miscellaneous Expenditure	
	-£3,006	Mayoral Car Hire	
	-£4,294	Town Twinning	
	-£3,607	Expenses	
-£2,037	Interest Income		
£878	Capital Works		
-£42	Cultural & Heritage		
£249,386	Movement in Earmarked Reserves		
£63,336	TOTAL		

6. The Strategic Context – What’s happening across Wales?

The Well-being of Future Generations Act, launched in 2015 and the Carmarthenshire Well-Being Plan 2018-2023 '*the Carmarthenshire We Want*' set out the priorities and themes for Wales and Carmarthenshire for the coming years. These themes are to be taken into consideration when developing all Llanelli Town Council future work programmes.



7. How will Community and Town Councils get involved?

The Act places a duty on certain Community and Town Councils in Wales to take all reasonable steps towards meeting the local objectives included in the local well-being plan that has effect in its area. A Community or Town Council is subject to that duty only if it's gross income or expenditure was at least £200,000 for each of the three financial years preceding the year in which the local well-being plan is published.

8. The Carmarthenshire Public Services Board and the Carmarthenshire Well-Being Plan

During 2018-19, Llanelli Town Council has been instrumental in working with the Carmarthenshire Public Services Board (PSB) to develop the Carmarthenshire Well-being plan: The Carmarthenshire We Want 2018-2023 published in early 2018.

<http://www.thecarmarthenshirewewant.wales/media/8331/carmarthenshire-well-being-plan-final-may-2018.pdf>

Town Council members and Officers have met with the PSB on a number of occasions developing the plan and working with the PSB to provide an agreed reporting mechanism for Town and Community Councils in order to meet the requirements of the Act. For the 2018-19 year, this mechanism is being used by all Councils in Carmarthenshire to report to the PSB against priorities set out in the 'Carmarthenshire We Want 2018-2023'.

The 'Carmarthenshire We Want' sets out Short, Medium and Long Term goals and targets in the following areas of work



Healthy Habits

People have a good quality of life, and make healthy choices about their lives and their environment.



Strong Connections

Strongly connected people, places and organisations, that are able to adapt to change.



Early Intervention

People have the right help at the right time; as and when they need it.



Prosperous People and Places

Maximise opportunities for people and places in both urban and rural parts of our county.

All Town and Community Councils are encouraged to use the 5 sustainable development principles as set out in the Act:

- **Long Term** - The importance of balancing short-term needs with the need to safeguard the ability to also meet long-term needs.
- **Prevention** - How acting to prevent problems occurring or getting worse may help public bodies meet their objectives.
- **Integration** - Considering how the public body's well-being objectives may impact upon each of the well-being goals, on their other objectives, or on the objectives of other public bodies.
- **Collaboration** - Acting in collaboration with any other person (or different parts of the body itself) that could help the body to meet its well-being objectives.
- **Involvement** - The importance of involving people with an interest in achieving the well-being goals, and ensuring that those people reflect the diversity of the area which the body serves.

THE WALES WE WANT						
Our common purpose – the seven well-being goals for Wales						
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
A Prosperous Wales	A Resilient Wales	A Healthier Wales	A More Equal Wales	A Wales of Cohesive Communities	A Wales of Vibrant Culture and Thriving Welsh Language	Globally Responsible Wales
The way in which we will measure progress						

9. How the Town Council has embedded the Future Generations Act in its activities, structures and policies.

Llanelli Town Council has embedded the core principles of the Future Generations Act and the Carmarthenshire We Want. These can be detailed in three specific areas:

a) Structures

The Town Council has implemented reporting structures that ensures its successful delivery of the requirements set out in the Act. Direct reporting mechanisms are in place from Officers to Members. Council Members are fully consulted on the development of activities:

- Well-Being of Future Generations Working Group.
- Monthly, Six-monthly and Annual Reporting to the Council Building and Finance Committee.
- Annual Reporting to the Full Town Council at year end.
- Annual Reporting to the Carmarthenshire Public Service Board which in turn reports to the Welsh Government.

b) Policy and Procedures

All new Town Council Policies and Procedures are measured against the Well-being goals set out in the National and the 'Carmarthenshire We Want' to ensure that all actions undertaken by the Council are working towards these agreed short, medium and long term targets

c) Activities

All Town Council activities are shaped by Community Need, these are developed by working closely with the Community to ensure that all the services provided by the Council are meeting Community requirements.

Annual work programmes detailing the Town Council's proposed Community Activity are developed and approved by the Town Council. This work programme is kept under constant review and is flexible enough to enable changes as and when the Community requires change. These areas of work are measured against which of the 7 key national goals and 4 local targets are being met. (Please see annex 1)

The Town Council is required to show how it is delivering against the identified strategic goals.

10. Review of Town Council Activity in the Llanelli Community 2018-19

Llanelli Town Council works closely with residents within our Community providing a wide range of services within the Town. A review of how the Town Council has performed against the agreed targets for 2018-19 are set out in Annex 1.

a) Healthy Habits

i) Cancer Project

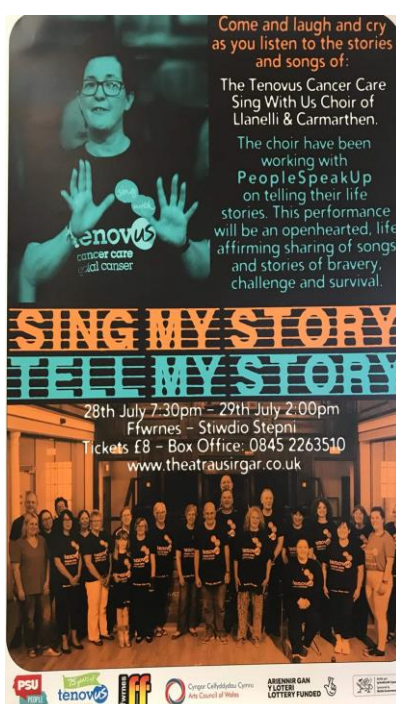
Llanelli Town Council has developed a project with Tenovus Cancer Care and People Speak Up, following consultation with members of the Llanelli and Carmarthen Tenovus Choirs to create a story telling project for those living with cancer.

The project worked with individuals who are often overlooked or hidden as a community of interest, bringing families and others closer together who have walked a similar journey in their experience of cancer.

The project delivered a stage production called 'Sing My Story, Tell My Story' held at Ffwrnes Theatre, Llanelli with 2 showings in July 2018. The successful production was viewed by over 200 attendees.

The Choir has been asked to perform the production at an NHS conference in July 2019. The 2 Tenovus Choirs meet weekly, singing at regular Community events, raising charity funds and providing friendship networks.

The project was highly commended in the One Voice Wales Innovative Practice awards.



ii) Dementia

The Town Council continues with its innovative work in the area of dementia. In 2018-19, the Town Council completed adjustments at all of its Community Centres making them Dementia and Age Friendly venues. The Town Council is also working on the development of an advice pack called the 'toilet paper pack' providing simple advice on making business and public venues more dementia friendly. Town Council Officers have trained over 180 individuals in Llanelli to become Dementia Friends, this work continues.

iii) Mayoral Visits

During the Christmas period, the Mayoral Party visit Care Homes across Llanelli and Prince Phillip Hospital to visit residents and patients and to thank staff for their hard work and commitment throughout the year. These visits are always appreciated by the residents and staff.



iv) Park and Play Area Improvements

Since completion of Asset Transfer, the Town Council has invested over £60,000 on improvements to the play areas across the Town, this has included upgrading the splash pads and paddling pools at Havelock Park, Penyfan Park and People's Park providing new or upgraded play equipment at each location. These developments will continue in 2019-20.



b) Early Intervention

i) Nurturing Programme

Food and Fun

Working in partnership with Ysgol Penrhos, funding from Welsh Government was secured to deliver a three-week food programme in the school over the summer holidays. On average 40 pupils and siblings joined the sessions to learn about the value of food, teamwork and to improve their cooking skills. Breakfast and lunch was provided, with the Town Council supporting three weeks of half day sessions.

Youth Activity Programme

Through the summer of 2018, working alongside Carmarthenshire Youth Service the Town Council supported a number of activities. These ranged from water sports to team activities, with on average 25 young people taking part.

ii) Unloved Heritage

Llanelli Town Council is a key partner in the Unloved Heritage Programme. The scheme, funded by Heritage Lottery and Supported by Cadw is delivered over three years. It works with young people considering heritage in an unique ambitious way.

The project works with 6 key partners including Dyfed Archaeological Trust, Coedcae School, Carmarthenshire County Council Youth Service, People Speak Up and Llanelli Community Partnership. Around 100 youngsters have been involved in the first two years.

The Council nurtures the linkages between each organisation, providing contact between the School, the programme and provides staffing resources for activities. Project activities have included:

- The 'Our Town' project where participants looked at Llanelli Town Centre's industrial heritage through storytelling and photography leading to an exhibition in Llanelli Library with People Speak Up;
- Physical outdoor activities including coasteering and kayaking;
- Visits to Welsh heritage sites at Brecon Military Museum, Big Pit and Llyn y Fan;
- Sessions building on these activities engendering understanding of individuals place in Communities building a sense of self-worth and respect;
- Projects looking at new technology in areas of photography and projection;
- Involvement in the GP90 WWI Commemoration project.

The project was highly commended at the One Voice Wales Innovative Practice Awards.



iii) Tyisha Working Group

The Town Council is a partner of the Tyisha Working Group which is looking at possible improvements that can be made within the Tyisha Community taking account of the social and other issues experienced by residents. A detailed action plan is being developed for implementation by the County Council and key partners.

iv) Toy Box Appeal

Every year the County Council undertakes a Toy Box appeal for disadvantaged families and individuals throughout the County. The Town Council continues to support this appeal in Llanelli by working with a number of organisations, supplying the 'toy boxes' and 'well-being' packs.



c) Strong Connections

i) Llanelli Community Partnership

Llanelli Community Partnership had been in place for 4 years. The Town Council and Rural Council support the working of the Partnership. During 2018-19 a detailed working programme was developed and arranged a number of successful events, including the 'Big Lunch', and was supported by a number of smaller Community Groups such as the Women's Network and the Men's Shed.



ii) Strategic Working with the Public Services Board

The Town Council has worked closely with the Public Services Board throughout the year to develop reporting mechanisms for Town and Community Councils in relation to activities undertaken for the Well-Being of Future Generations Act and the 'Carmarthenshire We Want'. These arrangements are seen as an exemplar across Wales and are being adopted in many other areas.

iii) Community and Town Council Development Officer Networks

Town Council Officers have been instrumental in developing a number of Community Officer Network Groups in order to pool resources and to work on areas of commonality across the Town Council area. These include:

- Town and Community Council Community Development Officer Working Group.
- Town Centre Community Development Officer Working Group.
- Town and Community Council Development Officer Working Group with the Carmarthenshire Public Services Board.

iv) Meet the Mayor and Great War Commemorations

As part of our contribution to helping young people understand local democracy and citizenship in Llanelli, the Town Mayor invites primary schools in Llanelli to visit the Town Council Chamber for the 'Meet the Mayor' project. 2018-19 saw 240 youngsters visit the parlour.

Additionally, in order to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the end of the Great War and 90th Anniversary of the Great Pilgrimage 1928, a series of events were funded and supported by the Town Council. These included the creation of

a remembrance poem by the children of the Town with the help of local poet, Steph Simms that was laid at the Menin Gate in August 2019 by Peter Killick and the Llanelli Branch of the Royal British Legion. Additionally, the Town Council invited the Deputy Lord Lieutenant of Dyfed Lt Col David Mathias to give a series of talks to local school children in the Mayors Parlour on the Great War. Lt Col Mathias also completed his annual lectures on the 100th Anniversary of the Great War which were started in 2014 and concluded with a very well attended event in Llanelly House during November 2018.





v) Christmas Carnival

Llanelli Town Council works in Partnership with Llanelli Rural Council and Carmarthenshire County Council to arrange the Annual Christmas Carnival which continues to grow in popularity each year.

d) Prosperous People and Places

i) Parc Howard Collaboration Group

In 2018-19 Llanelli Town Council and Carmarthenshire County Council formalised its partnership in managing Parc Howard and Llanelli Museum through the Parc Howard Collaboration Group. Through its financial contribution and membership of the Group, the Councils manage Parc Howard, ensuring the facility is improved and remains in public ownership.



ii) Tall Ships

For many years, the Town Council has funded a number of ‘births’ with the Tall Ships Youth Trust based in Portsmouth to provide opportunities for up to 4 individuals from the Llanelli Town Area on an annual basis to attend Tall Ship Voyages. This provides these individuals with unique opportunities to learn new skills and to gain valuable life experiences.

iii) Mayoral Evenings

Throughout the Town Mayor’s term of office a number of Community Organisations are invited to the Mayor’s Parlour for official receptions. These provide the Mayor with an opportunity to thank local organisation for their work in the Community whilst also enabling networking between organisations working in areas of commonality or with similar goals. Events in 2018-19 included:

- HMS Trenchant.
- Armed Forces Evening.
- Health Services and Charities Evening.
- Sporting Clubs and Associations Evening.
- Cancer Networking Projects Evening.
- Multi cultural Evening.
- Disability and Dementia Groups Evening.
- Local Business Morning.



iv) **Mayoral Charities**

Every year the Town Mayor nominates Charities that benefit from a donation of £1,000 from the Town Council. In addition to this, the Town Mayor arranges a number of events to raise money. This year the Charities were:

- Carmarthenshire Youth and Children's Association (CYCA)
- Friends of Llanelli Railway Station
- Shop Mobility

A number of fundraising events were undertaken including Curry Nights, Board Game Convention, Easter Fun Day and Christmas Concert.



2018-19 saw the first Llanelli Town Mayor complete the Llanelli Half Marathon.



v) Community Projects

The Llanelli Town Council Community Development service works in partnership with a number of other agencies supporting community projects such as Llanelli Community Partnership, People Speak Up, Fusion, the Crafty Seniors group, Unloved Heritage project and Ty Golau as well as being a key partner in a multi-agency environmental enhancement project called 'Pride In Our Patch'.





vi) Partnership Working with Ymlaen Llanelli / Llanelli BID

Llanelli Town Council works closely with Ymlaen Llanelli Business Improvement District providing officer support to the BID and match funding 3 planned events arranged during the year. In 2018-19 these were the:

- Food Festival
- Reindeer Parade
- 80s Festival

In addition to these, the BID arranges a number of other highly successful events in Llanelli Town Centre bringing large numbers of people into the Town.





e) Community Funding Support

The Town Council continues to provide a Community Grant scheme enabling local Community Organisations to access small amounts of funding to support their activities in the Community, these continue to grow year on year.

Additionally, Town Council Officers continue to support Community based organisations with funding applications.

f) Twinning

2018-19 was another busy year in the activities undertaken between Llanelli and our Twin Town of Agen.

The Llanelli and District Twinning Association led on a number of events including:

- A visit by well-known singer Christian Moulrier who held a number of concerts in Llanelli during the summer.



- Involvement in marking the Centenary of the end of the Great War.

In August, Town Mayor Cllr David Darkin was a guest of the Agen Town Mayor at their annual Pruneau Show.



2019 marks the 30th Anniversary of the Twinning Link and a series of events is planned to celebrate this important milestone.

11. Llanelli Town Council 2019-20 Action Plan

This report provides a flavour of the activities carried out by the Town Council during 2018-19. The Town Council will continue to develop its activities and services throughout 2019-20 and the Community Activity and Development Work Programme for the year has been approved by the Town Council and is attached at Annex 2.

The Town Council would wish to place on record its thanks to all its key partners in the delivery of its services such as Carmarthenshire County Council, Llanelli Rural Council and all the Community Organisations and Llanelli residents who have supported the delivery of our work.