

2023 - 2024 ANNUAL REPORT

LLANELLI TOWN COUNCIL



About Llanelli Town Council

Llanelli Town Council has been in existence since 1974. It is one of the largest Town Councils in Wales with a resident population exceeding 25,000 people.

The Council is made up of 22 elected members that represent the community in the 5 wards that surround the Town Centre. The Members make decisions on a range of services and activities which support the local community and liaise with Carmarthenshire County Council, Dyfed Powys Police and others when issues of concern or interest arise.

This annual report provides information for residents on the services provided to Llanelli and the activities undertaken by the Council during the 2023-24 year.



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Message From The Mayor

It is my pleasure to present the Llanelli Town Council Annual Report for 2023-24. This year's Annual Report outlines the activities and services of the Town Council during the 2023-24 financial and civic year.

During my term of office, the Council has continued to maintain and build upon its important role in our Community. I believe its functions are much appreciated by those in Llanelli who are either directly benefited by or cognisant of our work. I hope that during the forthcoming fiftieth-anniversary celebrations, the Council will have an opportunity to showcase the work that has been done and is being done to support the citizens of Llanelli.

My year as Mayor has involved many visits to those dedicated organisations providing valuable services to the Community. I hope that I have been able, in some small measure, to highlight their excellent work and raise the profile of the organisations, their services and the wonderful people that drive them.

I have had the pleasure of attending a great variety of excellent events during my year of office. Notable highlights would include Llanelli Pride, The Carmarthen Bay Film Festival, the many theatre and musical productions staged by local schools, theatre groups and choirs. The Llanelli Multicultural Network and People Speak Up have hosted a number of genuinely uplifting and inspiring events, improving both wellbeing and social cohesion. I hope they can build on the important work they do in the coming years.



Cllr Nicholas Pearce

Elli Ward



The Christmas period was a particularly busy one in which I had the pleasure of supporting a number of projects including the Christmas parade through the town centre as well as several Community Christmas tree lighting-up events across the Town. My Christmas Card was designed this year by pupils of Old Road School. A large number of entries were provided, and I was delighted with the quality of all the designs. I was also pleased to gain an agreement with Father Christmas to provide a post box for children's letters to be delivered directly to him from the Old Vicarage. The run-up to Christmas provided an opportunity for the Mayoral Party to visit Feeding Stations and Food banks supporting those in most need in Llanelli. I was impressed by the dedication of the volunteers and organisers of these services and how they worked in concert to fill the gaps in provision.

Over the past year, the Town Council lost former Town Mayor Mike Burns. Mike served as Town Mayor during 2013-14, our thoughts are with Mike's loved ones.

A real highlight of the year was the Meet the Mayor Project at the Old Vicarage which saw 7 primary schools and this year for the first time, Secondary Schools and Coleg Sir Gâr visited the Mayoral Parlour. Over 300 pupils and teachers visited the Town Council Chamber during the five days of the project in November and April. Pupils learnt about the principle and origination of democracy and contemporary electoral arrangements. Explanation of the role of the Town Council and how it fits within the other bodies that provide civic services for the town, county and country. I was particularly keen to impress upon them the significance of the Future Generations Act in Wales, in shaping how those various bodies plan and deliver their services. Finally, there was an opportunity to ask the Mayor about his role and I was pleased to answer their many and varied enquiries.

The project has been acknowledged nationally, winning a National Award for best Democratic Health Initiative at the One Voice Wales Innovative Practice Conference in March. Congratulations to the team that work hard to make these events so successful and impactful!

Armed Forces Day was recognised in the Town Centre in June and in November at Remembrance Sunday, it was a great honour to attend the ceremony, laying a wreath on behalf of the Council and Town of Llanelli.

At the start of each Mayoral Year, the Town Mayor selects at least one charity which can benefit from a donation of up to £1,000. I chose the Llanelli Deaf Centre, Llanelli Links and Threshold DAS. I have subsequently hosted a number of charity events to raise further monies, thereby allowing a donation to be made to each charity in the sum of £1,135. I wish I had been able to raise more for these most worthy of causes and hope that in addition to the money I have been able to highlight the great work they do for the town and beyond.

I would wish to thank my fellow Town Councillors for the great honour bestowed on me to hold the role of Town Mayor for 2023-24 and to my Mayoress Kate and Deputy Mayor and Mayoress, Cllrs Philip Warlow and Lillith Fenris for their support through the year.



I would also want to take this final opportunity to express my sincere thanks and to pay tribute to all those residents of Llanelli who provide their time voluntarily and otherwise to support the Town and its people through their many activities, Organisations, Charities and Sporting Clubs, many of whom I have had the great pleasure of meeting during the last year.

Councillor Nicholas Pearce
Town Mayor
2023-24

Leader's Foreword



Cllr David Darkin

Leader of the Town Council

I am pleased to be able to provide an overview of the work undertaken by Llanelli Town Council in 2023-24 as part of our Annual Report. The Council has continued to ensure that all its activities and policies take account of the Well-being of Future Generations Act 2015 and we have 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 these 7 key goals.

The 2023-24 year has been a busy one for the Members and Officers of Llanelli Town Council. Llanelli Town Council has continued to provide a wide variety of services to the people of Llanelli. This has only been possible through extensive partnership working and I would wish to thank all of our key partners for their dedication to the people of Llanelli.

Our Community Centres continue to be used by a variety of clubs and organisations with the Town Council Sporting Facilities being very busy with football, rugby and bowls activities continuing.

During the 2023-24 year, the Town Council has continued to carry out improvements at our facilities with additional sporting equipment provided to extend availability at Crown Park, Llanerch Field and Penyfan Park

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The Town Council innovative Sports, Youth and Activity Service continues to be well received and provides popular activities and opportunities for Llanelli Residents. The Service has also been recognised Nationally by both the Co-operative Council's Innovation Network and One Voice Wales.

The Town Council Environmental projects continue to be developed with National Lottery Grant Funded developments completed at Bryn Yard, Llanerch Field and Penygaer Playing Fields. Forming part of the Town Council sustainability programme, I've been delighted to see how busy the EV charging points at the Selwyn Samuel Centre have proved to be. The Town Council is also giving active consideration to provide additional charging points at our venues.

The Town Council has continued to support Community and Sporting Organisations, subsidising our Community Centre and Playing Field provision to enable activity and with provision of direct funding throughout the year, with over £27,000 provided in financial assistance.

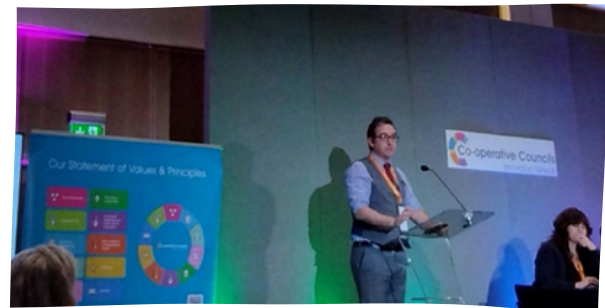
In the run up to Christmas we were again able to support the 2023 Carmarthenshire County Council Toy Box scheme, providing £1,000 worth of toys for families requiring support during the Christmas period.

I would wish to record my thanks to all my fellow Councillors for their service to our Town and to the Town Council staff team for their dedication to their role on behalf of the Town Council.

The Town Council will continue to develop its service provision during 2024-25 with a wide range of plans and projects continuing to be developed and implemented during this Council Term as we work to ensure that Llanelli residents continue to be provided with the highest possible standard of facilities and services by your Town Council.

Best wishes

Cllr David Darkin, Town Council Leader



Financial Report 2023-24

Community and Town Councils in Wales Annual Return for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

Accounting statements 2023-24 for:

Name of body: Llanelli Town Council

	Year ending		Notes and guidance
	31 March 2023 (£)	31 March 2024 (£)	Please round all figures to nearest £. Do not leave any boxes blank and report £0 or nil balances. All figures must agree to the underlying financial records for the relevant year.
Statement of income and expenditure/receipts and payments			
1. Balances brought forward	742,512	588,444	Total balances and reserves at the beginning of the year as recorded in the financial records. Must agree to line 7 of the previous year.
2. (+) Income from local taxation/levy	943,717	1,450,000	Total amount of income received/receivable in the year from local taxation (precept) or levy/contribution from principal bodies.
3. (+) Total other receipts	669,100	618,826	Total income or receipts recorded in the cashbook minus amounts included in line 2. Includes support, discretionary and revenue grants.
4. (-) Staff costs	-398,251	-468,718	Total expenditure or payments made to and on behalf of all employees. Include salaries and wages, taxable allowances, PAYE and NI (employees and employers), pension contributions and termination costs. Exclude reimbursement of out-of-pocket expenses.
5. (-) Loan interest/capital repayments	0	0	Total expenditure or payments of capital and interest made during the year on external borrowing (if any).
6. (-) Total other payments	-1,368,634	-1,528,603	Total expenditure or payments as recorded in the cashbook minus staff costs (line 4) and loan interest/capital repayments (line 5).
7. (=) Balances carried forward	588,444	659,949	Total balances and reserves at the end of the year. Must equal (1+2+3) – (4+5+6).
Statement of balances			
8. (+) Debtors	415,569	519,296	Income and expenditure accounts only: Enter the value of debts owed to the body at the year-end.
9. (+) Total cash and investments	284,677	334,210	All accounts: The sum of all current and deposit bank accounts, cash holdings and investments held at 31 March. This must agree with the reconciled cashbook balance as per the bank reconciliation.
10. (-) Creditors	111,802	193,557	Income and expenditure accounts only: Enter the value of monies owed by the body (except borrowing) at the year-end.
11. (=) Balances carried forward	588,444	659,949	Total balances should equal line 7 above: Enter the total of (8+9-10).
12. Total fixed assets and long-term assets	7,325,627	7,538,494	The asset and investment register value of all fixed assets and any other long-term assets held as at 31 March.
13. Total borrowing	0	0	The outstanding capital balance as at 31 March of all loans from third parties (including PWLB).

Meet Our Team



Arfon Davies
Town Clerk



Delyth Jones
Principal Officer



Gary Jones
Principal Finance Officer



Sophia Thomas
*Administrative & Finance
Officer*



Dylan Sion Thomas
*Sports, Youth & Activities
Officer*



Amy Bowen
*Administrative Officer /
Mayor's Secretary*



Eddie Donne
Head Groundsperson



Jack Lynch
Park Keeper



Gerwyn Jones
Park Keeper

The Town Council Team also includes a Caretaker at each of our Community Centres and Grounds Assistants who support the Park Keeping Team

Meet Our Councillors

Llanelli Town Council is made up of 22 elected Town Councillors, the previous elections were held on the 5th May 2022.

Local Councillors are elected by the community to decide how the council should carry out its various activities. They represent the public interest as well as individuals living within the ward in which they been elected to serve a term of office.

Information on Councillor Allowance Payments, Declaration of Interest and Meeting Attendance can be found on the Town Council website.



Cllr A.R. Bragoli
Lliedi Ward
Labour



Cllr A.A. Carter
Glanymor Ward
UKIP



Cllr. M.D. Cranham J.P.
Bigyn Ward
Independent



Cllr S.A Curry
Tyisha Ward
Labour



Cllr D.LI Darkin RIBA
Leader of the Council
Bigyn Ward
Labour



Cllr T. Davies
Tyisha Ward
Plaid Cymru



Cllr J.R. Elliot
Bigyn Ward
Labour



Cllr S. Evans
Lliedi Ward
Labour



Cllr L. Fenris
Glanymor Ward
Labour



Cllr S. Greaney
Lliedi Ward
Labour



Cllr R. James
Lliedi Ward
Independent



Cllr J.E Jones J.P
Glanymor Ward
Independent



Cllr G.R. Lloyd
Bigyn Ward
Labour



Cllr A. Lochrie
Lliedi Ward
Labour



Cllr A.S.J. McPherson
Tyisha Ward
Labour



Cllr N.J. Pearce
Elli Ward
Labour



Cllr J.G Prosser
Tyisha Ward
Labour



Cllr S.L. Rees
Glanymor Ward
Independent



Cllr B.A.L. Roberts
Glanymor Ward
Independent



Cllr P.T. Warlow
Bigyn Ward
Labour



Cllr J.R. Williams
Bigyn Ward
Labour



Cllr S. Williams
Elli Ward
Independent

Council / Committee

Llanelli Town Council meets on the first Wednesday of every month at 6.00pm (apart from August). Public participation is facilitated at each Town Council meeting. The Full Town Council is supported by a number of principal committees with delegated authority for specific issues, including, the Building and Finance Committee, Planning, Licensing and Consultation Committee and Establishment Committee.



In accordance with the provisions of Schedule 12 of the Local Government Act 1972 and Section 47 of the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021, meetings of Llanelli Town Council are held by a mixture of online and face to face means at the Old Vicarage, Town Hall Square.

The Strategic Context

All aspects of the Town Council's work is developed and managed in accordance to the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act. The Act looks to promote the improvement of the social, economic, environmental and cultural well-being of Wales.

Llanelli Town Council has embedded the principles of the Act which now forms part of the annual auditing process that the Council adheres to. It ensures that the Town Council acts and thinks more about the long term, works better with people and communities and each other, looks to prevent problems and takes a more joined-up approach.

The act puts in place **7 Well-being goals:**

- 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
- A globally responsible Wales



| The Strategic Context

Cymru Can

Cymru Can sets out the Future Generations Commissioner for Wales' 2023 – 2030 strategy and long-term vision.

Cymru Can summarises the approach intended to take over the next seven years towards achieving it's vision.

Cymru Can

Our Vision



Cymru is a better place to live and has a bright and optimistic future – thriving, inclusive and green.

Together we have protected the interests of those not yet born. Well-being and long-term thinking are at the heart of decision-making. **Cymru Can.**

Our Values

Every day, we work towards our vision, underpinned by a set of core shared Values.

We are:

- Inclusive
- Bold
- Open
- Supportive
- Optimistic



Cymru Can sets out five missions:

- Implementation and Impact
- Health and Wellbeing
- A Well- Being Economy
- Climate and Nature
- Culture and Welsh Language

<https://youtu.be/h-MiyyhMEQ4>

The Service We Deliver



Community Centres



The Town Council has a number of Community Centre facilities available for hire by contacting the Council Offices:

- Glenalla Community Centre
- Llanerch Community Centre
- Paddock Street Community Centre
- Wesleyan Community Centre
- Lakefield Community Centre
- Penygaer Community Facility at Penygaer Playing Fields

Please contact the office on 01554774352 or enquiries@llanellitowncouncil.gov.uk to hire any of the centres.

Parks & Green Spaces



The Town Council has responsibility for the playing fields and parks at Clos yr Ysgol Park, Crown Park, Havelock Park, Morfa Park, Nightingale Court Park, Penyfan Park and Peoples' Park.

The Town Council maintains the Penygaer Playing Fields and Llanerch Field.

The Town Council employs a dedicated Park Keeping Service. The Park Keeping service are a visible presence with their Grounds Assistant colleagues maintaining each Llanelli Town Council play area and green space. The Town Council also works in partnership with Llanelli Rural Council on the grounds maintenance of Town Council facilities.

The Council also maintains the Cruyff Court at Penyfan Park, splash pads at Penyfan and Havelock Park and paddling pools at Peoples' Park and Crown Park.

Allotment gardens are provided at Coronation Road, Lower Trostre Road and Sunninghill Terrace, please contact the Office should you wish to be added to the waiting list for an allotment.

Community Facilities

Selwyn Samuel Centre



Selwyn Samuel Centre

The Selwyn Samuel Centre houses a six-rink indoor bowling green with function room, restaurant and bar facilities.

Indoor Bowls Hall

The Indoor Bowls Hall is open seven days a week throughout the indoor season (Sept-April) and has hosted a number of National and International events. In April 2024 the WIBA National Championships were hosted at the Selwyn Samuel Centre. The bowls hall has also recently hosted the Llanelli Schools championship.

Concerts, seminars and exhibitions

During the summer recess period from May until mid-September the Centre, which is licensed for public entertainments, is utilised for a range of activities including concerts, seminars and exhibitions. With a 12,000 square feet floor area it is fully equipped with a modern stage lighting system, tiered staging and chair stock for a maximum seated audience of 1,200 persons.

Lliedi Suite

The adjoining Lliedi Suite caters for wedding receptions, dinners, and functions throughout the year.

EV Charging Points

The Town Council through a partnership with the Dolen Teifi Community Transport Scheme provide for EV Charging Points at the Centre.

Community Facilities



Stebonheath Park

The Town Council has been the owner of Stebonheath Park since 1977.

The stadium is the home of Llanelli Town AFC and has been used for a variety of Community Activity arranged by the Town Council Sports, Youth and Activity Service and our partners such as Carmarthenshire County Council and Llanelli Town AFC, including a Disability Football Tournament and Schools Sports Festival.

In March 2024 the Stadium was used by FAW to host the Cymru C v England C international. In May the Stadium hosted over 1000 young people at the Llanelli Olympics, homeless football and disability tournaments.

Footpath and Public Lighting

The Town Council inspects and maintains Public Rights of Way and Footpaths on behalf of the County Council.

The Town Council funds the energy and maintenance costs of street lighting columns on the Footpaths.



Working in Partnership to Provide Community Facilities

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.

Parc Howard

The Council continues to work with the County Council through the Town Council's financial contribution and membership of the Parc Howard Collaboration Group to manage Parc Howard, ensuring the facility is improved and remains in public ownership.

Llanelly House

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 as a significant asset to the town centre and its visitors.



A Review of Community Activity



Early Intervention



Primary Schools Provision

Support has been provided to local primary school teachers in order to up-skill physical literacy sessions for pupils. Direct activities have been provided at Stebonheath, Old Road, Penrhos, Morfa, Dewi Sant, Penygaer and Pentip Primary Schools.

Toddler Activities

Activity provision has been supported at Once Upon a Time Nursery and Llanerch Meithrin. Stand alone toddler activity sessions have been provided free of charge at Paddock Street, Penygaer and Wesleyan Community Centres.



School Sporting Events

A series of sporting opportunities have been provided to Llanelli Schools including a Stebonheath Schools Football Festival in Spring 2023 and the Llanelli Schools Indoor Bowls Competition at the Selwyn Samuel Centre supported by Llanelli Indoor Bowls Club in April 2024.

In the run up to the Rugby World Cup, in partnership with the Scarlets Community Foundation, 22 Llanelli area schools took part in a touch rugby festival at Coleg Sir Gar.



Inclusion

Syria Sir Gâr Football Sessions

Working in Partnership with Syria Sir Gâr and Llanelli Multicultural Network and with funding from the Tesco Community Champion, football sessions were arranged for refugee families at the Penylan's Cruyff Court. The sessions have proved very popular and support an isolated Community in Llanelli.



Dementia Friendly Provision

Llanelli Cradle Choir – Officers worked in partnership with the Carmarthenshire Dementia Coalition and Welsh National Opera to create the new Cradle Choir in Llanelli. The Choir is currently held every Tuesday afternoon at Ffwrnes Theatre. The Council also supports the dementia provisions at the Elevensees project by providing chair exercise activities.



Disability Football Festival

Llanelli Reds Disability Team hosted their first ever Disability Football Festival in April 2023. Disability teams attended from as far away as Aberystwyth and Bridgend with over 120 players taking part. The event was sponsored by Tata Steel.



LGBTQ+

Llanelli Town Council supported Llanelli Pride in July 2023 and proudly flies the Rainbow and Transgender flags on designated days at the Old Vicarage. Free use has been provided for safe spaces for LGBTQ+ groups at the Town Council venues during 2024.



Environment

Town Council green space facilities are managed in partnership with Llanelli Rural Council. These facilities are sensitively managed in order to promote biodiversity wherever possible with areas allowed to grow naturally. Planting of additional trees has also been undertaken wherever possible, this has been completed at 4 separate locations over the last year. The Town Council Biodiversity and Environmental Development Action plan has recently been reviewed and forms an annex to this report.



Penygaer Sensory Garden

Members, Officers and volunteers worked hard to create the Penygaer Sensory Garden. October saw the railway sleeper planters put in place with 9 tons of soil being moved by hand. Penygaer school started a filming project on the garden which will form part of their work for this years' curriculum for year 6. Several community planting days took place through to the spring of 2024.

Crown Park Wild Flower Beds

In the spring of 2023, 3 wild flower beds were created with the support of Ysgol Penrhos and community volunteers at Crown Park. The wild flower beds help to support the newly formed bee hives at Ysgol Penrhos and form part of the ongoing Bee Cafe project within Town Council Parks and green spaces.



Llanerch / Penygaer River Walkway

The National Lottery funded Local Places for Nature Scheme developed a river walkway at Llanerch and Penygaer. This development led to a health and well-being walking group utilising the newly established river walkways for their first well-being walk. The event set off from the Penygaer Changing Rooms / Community Facility building. The walk was supported by several organisations including the River Trust, Llanelli Green Network, Llanelli Multicultural Network, and the Hywel Dda University Health Board.



Mayoral

Mayor Visits to Food Stations

Sponsored visits were undertaken by the Town Mayor to 3 food stations in Llanelli providing products and financial support to these organisation who provide assistance to those in need in the Town.



Meet the Mayor

Pupils from 7 Llanelli Primary Schools visited the Town Council Chamber for the 2023-2024 The Meet the Mayor Project. Almost 300 pupils visited Town Mayor, Councillor Nicholas Pearce.

The schools involved were: Ysgol Dewi Sant, Pentip School, Old Road School, Stebonheath School, Ysgol Penrhos, Bigyn School and Penygaer School. With pupils from Ysgol Coedcae and Coleg Sir Gar also attending this year for the first time.

The project involves providing pupils with a session based on the school curriculum, democracy, voting history, citizenship, the importance of partnership working within the community along with the young person's place in the democratic process. The project is carried out in partnership with Llanelli Community Partnership Volunteers.



Christmas Toy Box Appeal 2023

The Town Council supported the County Council Toy Box Appeal again in 2023, providing £1,000 worth of toys and products for distribution to families in need of support in the run up to Christmas.

Working Together

Young Traders

The event tasks school pupils to develop products for sale at Llanelli Town Centre Market. The project provides an insight to pupils on academic values such as mathematics and artwork, alongside interacting with members of the public, increasing their confidence in selling and bargaining. The event is carried out in partnership with Llanelli Community Partnership, Ymlaen Llanelli, Carmarthenshire County Council Markets and the Llanelli Chamber of Trade & Commerce.



People Speak Up

PeopleSpeakUp is a social, mental-health, arts, health and wellbeing charity. They connect communities through storytelling, spoken word, creative writing and participatory arts. The Town council works closely with the team on the provision of a number of activities in the Community. Projects in 2023/24 have included support to Elevensees activities, and the International Women's Day event.



Llanelli Multi Cultural Network

The Llanelli Multi Cultural Network is a key partner of the Town Council/ The Council has worked closely with the Network Volunteers on a number of activities during the year supporting their work with BME communities who are living in the Llanelli. The Network encourages integration within their local community through the provision of information, advice and sign-posting to other services and support to develop skills and confidence to contribute to and participate in community activities, volunteering and employment.



Llanelli Community Partnership

The Town Council works closely with Llanelli Community Partnership on a wide range of activities including the Meet the Mayor and Young Traders Projects.

Ymlaen Llanelli

The Town Council works in partnership with Ymlaen Llanelli / Llanelli BID on a number of projects and co-funds Town Centre activities including the 80s Festival, Food Festival and Christmas Parade.



Achievements

One Voice Wales National Awards Conference

At the 2024 One Voice Wales National Awards Conference, Llanelli Town Council were awarded Best Democratic Health Initiative for the Meet the Mayor Project. The project involved inviting pupils from all Town Council area primary schools, secondary schools and Coleg Sir Gâr to visit the Council Chamber to 'Meet the Mayor' and have a session based on the school curriculum, democracy, voting history, citizenship, the importance of partnership working within the community along with the young person's place in the democratic process. The project was carried out in partnership with Llanelli Community Partnership Volunteers. This year over 300 pupils took part in the scheme.

At the Conference the Town Council was also highly commended in the Best Community Initiative for its Sports Youth and Activity programme which provides free activities across Town Council Facilities and works with schools, clubs and other organisations to support sporting and other activities across Llanelli.



Co-operative Council's Innovation Network

Llanelli Town Council was represented at the CCIN Annual Conference in Sunderland by Council Leader Councillor David Darkin. Councillor Darkin, who was invited to address the Conference on the work of the Town Council and the Well-being of Future Generations Act for Wales.

In April 2024 Llanelli Town Council's Innovative community work through the Sports, Youth and Activity Service was recognised at a UK level by the Co-operative Councils Innovation Network, being included as a case study by the Network.



The collage features 15 hexagonal images arranged in a grid-like pattern. The images depict various community activities and events in Llanelli. The top row shows a group of people sitting at tables in a hall, a group of people sitting on a green bench, and a group of people sitting on a green bench. The middle row shows a woman and a man preparing food, a group of people sitting on a green bench, and a group of people sitting on a green bench. The bottom row shows a group of people sitting on a green bench, a group of people sitting on a green bench, and a group of people sitting on a green bench. The images are set against a dark blue background with a subtle pattern.

CYMRU C V ENGLAND

INTERNATIONAL CHALLENGE MATCH

19.03.24
19:45
STEBONHEATH PARK, LLANF...

Other Projects Supported in 2023-24

Agen Twinning Link

Supported by Radio BGM and Llanelli and District Twinning Association, a project to celebrate and educate pupils on the Llanelli Twinning Link was undertaken in March 2024. It created a radio programme with Ysgol Stebonheath and Department 47 a local radio station in Agen. The project was delivered in Welsh, French and English.



Llanelli Christmas Lighting

Working with Carmarthenshire County and Llanelli Rural Councils, the Town Council funded the Annual Christmas Carnival and Town Centre Christmas Lighting again in 2023. Additionally, the Town Council funded Christmas Trees and Lighting at the Old Vicarage, Penyfan, Havelock Park, Llanerch and the Rose Garden Project.

Welsh Language

Town Council service provision is available to the same standard in both the Welsh and English Languages, the Council works closely with Menter Cwm Gwendraeth Elli to provide additional opportunities in the medium of Welsh in Llanelli. This has included football sessions at Wesleyan Community Centre and the creation of 'Awr Gymraeg'.

Mayoral Invites

Every year the Town Mayor invites members of Community Organisations and those who have achieved notable successes into the Town Council Chamber to thank them for their work in the Community. This year, invites have been extended to among others the Llanelli Veterans Association and Young Sporting Achievers



Remembrance Sunday

Arrangements for Remembrance Sunday are supported by the Town Council in partnership with the Llanelli Veterans Association, Carmarthenshire County Council, Royal British Legion the Bands of the RBL and Salvation Army and other partners.



| Next Steps

This report provides a flavour of the activities carried out by the Town Council during 2023-24.

The Town Council will continue to develop its activities and services throughout 2024-25. The year will also see the Town Council celebrate its 50th Anniversary.

Future plans include the development of a Sensory Play Area at Penygaer Playing Fields along with activity play equipment improvements at Crown Park, Penyfan Park and Penygaer Playing Fields. The project is funded by the UK Government SPF Fund. The Play Area at Clos yr Ysgol will be upgraded using S106 Funding supported by Carmarthenshire County Council.

The proposed Modular Building Community Centre at Penyfan Park continues to be developed with the support of Welsh Government funding.

Project work to develop the Town Council Biodiversity and Sustainability programme will continue.

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, Llanelli Community Partnership, Llanelli Multicultural Network, Tesco Trostre, People Speak Up, all the Sporting and Community Organisations and Llanelli residents who have supported the delivery of our work through the year, thank you.



LLANELLI
TOWN COUNCIL
50th Anniversary 1974 - 2024

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