

2025 - 2026 ANNUAL REPORT



About Llanelli Town Council

Llanelli Town Council was formed in 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 2025/26 year. The report set out the Town Council's work and activities in accordance with the requirements of the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 and the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021.

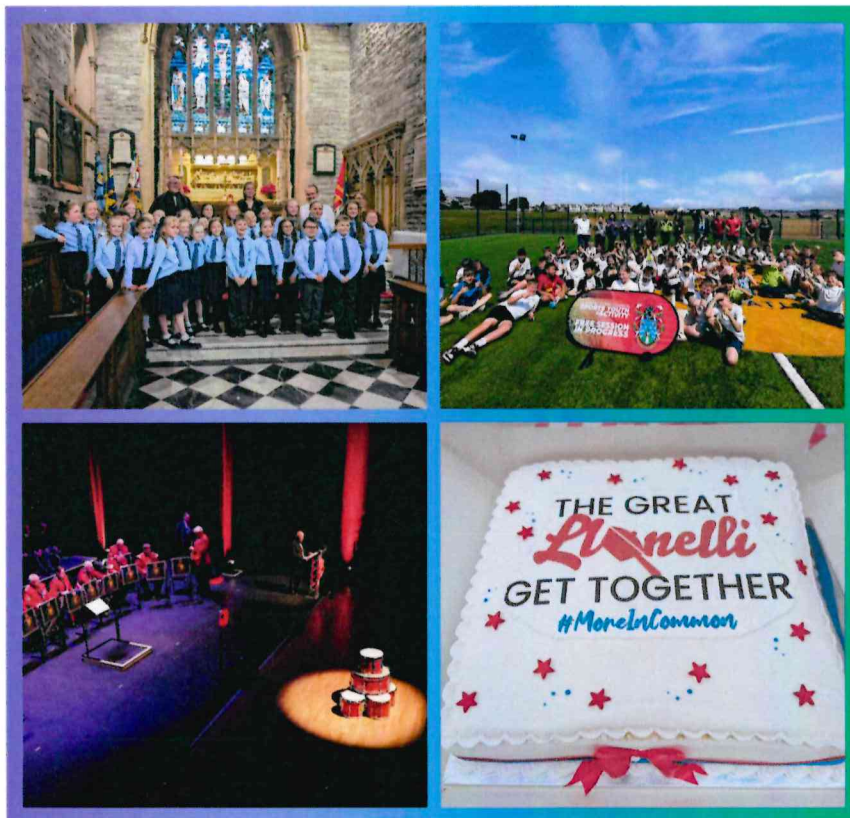


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Message From The Mayor

It is my pleasure to present the Llanelli Town Council Annual Report for 2025-26. This year's Annual Report outlines the activities and services of the Town Council during the 2025-26 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 either directly benefited by or are aware of our work.

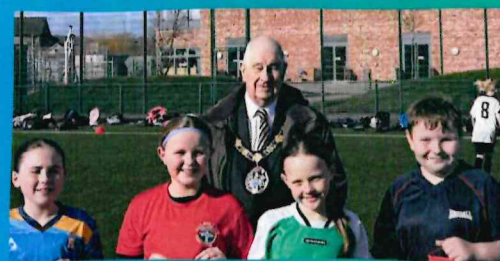
My time as Mayor has involved many visits to those dedicated organisations providing valuable services to the Community. I hope that I have been able, in some small measure, to highlight their excellent work and raise the profile of the organisations, their services and the wonderful people that are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

I have had the pleasure of attending a great variety of excellent events during my year of office. Notable highlights would include 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.

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Cllr John E. Jones J.P.
Town Mayor



The Christmas period was a particularly busy one in which the Town Council supported a number of projects including several Community Christmas tree lighting events across the Town. The previous Town Mayor's Christmas Card was designed this year by pupils of Ysgol Heol Goffa. A large number of entries were provided, and he was delighted with the quality of all the designs. 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.

A real highlight of the year for my predecessor as Mayor was the Meet the Mayor Project at the Old Vicarage which saw 4 secondary schools visit the Mayoral Parlour. Around 150 pupils and teachers visited the Town Council Chamber during the project in November 2025. 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. The Mayor 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 he was pleased to answer their many and varied enquiries.

I was delighted during the year to be able to invite numerous groups into the Mayor's Parlour to thank them for their work.

The 80th Anniversary of the end of the Second World War in Europe and Asia were recognised in the Town Centre in May and August and in November at Remembrance Sunday, it was a great honour for our Council Leader of the time 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. My predecessor chose LLAMAS and the Llanelli Warriors Rugby Club. Cllr Bragoli subsequently hosted a number of charity events to raise further monies, thereby allowing a donation to be made to each charity of over £2,000. Cllr Bragoli very much hopes that he has 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 myself and Andrew to hold the role of Town Mayor for 2025-26 and to my Mayoress Angela and Deputy Mayor and Mayoress, Cllr Sarah Evans and David for their support through the year.



I also note my thanks to the Town Council's dedicated staff team for all their work and would finally wish to take this 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 John E. Jones, J.P.
Town Mayor
2025-26

**Cllr Sean Rees***Leader of the Town Council*

Leader's Foreword

I am pleased to be able to provide an overview of the work undertaken by Llanelli Town Council in 2025-26 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 (Wales) 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.

During the Civic Year, the Town Council changed from Labour to an Independent-led administration. I am proud and honoured to now serve as Leader of the Council.

I would wish to record my thanks to my predecessor, Cllr David LI. Darkin for his dedication to the role and work as Leader during the first period covered by this report.

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, bowls and judo activities continuing.

During the 2025-26 year, the Town Council has continued to carry out improvements at our facilities with additional play equipment provided at Crown Park, Havelock Park and Peoples' Park. The long awaited new Community Centre was also opened at Penyfan Playing Fields.

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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.

Environmental projects continue to be developed, with tree planting undertaken at numerous Town Council facilities.

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 2025 Carmarthenshire County Council Toy Box scheme, providing £1,300 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 2026-27 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 Sean Rees

Town Council Leader



Financial Report 2025-26

Annual Return for the Year Ended 31 March 2026

Accounting statement 2025-26 for:

Name of body: Llanelli Town Council

	Year ending		Notes and guidance	
	31 March 2025 (£)	31 March 2026 (£)		
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	659,949	847,042	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	1,500,000	1,537,500	Total amount of income received/receivable in the year from local taxation (precept) or levy/contribution from principal bodies.	
3. (+) Total other receipts	485,922	289,695	Total income or receipts recorded in the cashbook minus amounts included in line 2. Includes support, discretionary and revenue grants.	
4. (-) Staff costs	-475,357	-496,344	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	-1,323,472	-1,578,717	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	847,042	599,176	Total balances and reserves at the end of the year. Must equal (1+2+3) – (4+5+6).	
Statement of balances				
8. (+) Debtors	293,886	305,155	Income and expenditure accounts only: Enter the value of debts owed to the body at the year-end.	
9. (+) Total cash and investments	795,207	387,816	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	242,051	93,795	Income and expenditure accounts only: Enter the value of monies owed by the body (except borrowing) at the year-end.	
11. (=) Balances carried forward	847,042	599,176	Total balances should equal line 7 above: Enter the total of (8+9-10).	
12. Total fixed assets and long-term assets	7,587,833	8,077,952	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 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
Independent*



Cllr A.A. Carter
*Glanymor Ward
Independent*



Cllr. M.D. Cranham J.P.
Deputy Leader of the Council
*Bigyn Ward
Independent*



Cllr S.A Curry
*Tyisha Ward
Labour*



Cllr D.LI Darkin RIBA
*Bigyn Ward
Labour*



Cllr T. Davies
*Tyisha Ward
Plaid Cymru*



Cllr A.C Williams
*Bigyn Ward
Independent*



Cllr S. Evans
*Lliedi Ward
Independent*



Cllr L. Fenris
Glanymor Ward
Independent



Cllr S. Greaney
Lliedi Ward
Labour



Cllr R. James
Lliedi Ward
Green Party



Cllr J.E Jones J.P
Glanymor Ward
Independent



Cllr G.R. Lloyd
Bigyn Ward
Labour



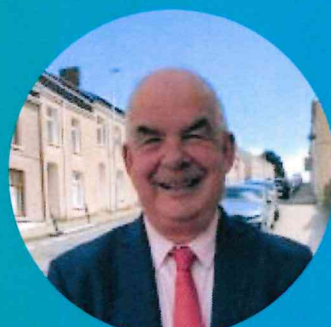
Cllr A. Lochrie
Lliedi Ward
Labour



Cllr A.S.J. McPherson
Tyisha Ward
Labour



Cllr N.J. Pearce
Elli Ward
Green Party



Cllr J.G Prosser
Tyisha Ward
Labour



Cllr S.L. Rees
Leader of Council
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

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 Jones
*Administrative Officer /
Mayor's Secretary*



Eddie Donne
Head Groundsperson



Jack Lynch
*Park Keeper
Supervisor*



Gerwyn Jones
Park Keeper

*The Town Council Team also includes a
Caretaker at each of our Community Centres*

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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.



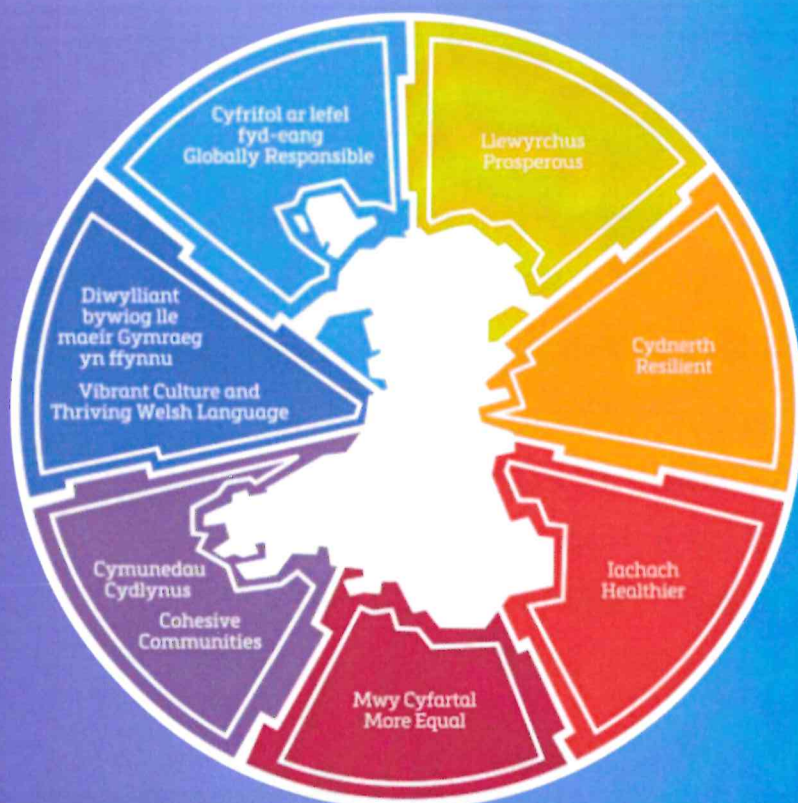
In accordance with the provisions of Schedule 12 of the Local Government Act 1972 and Section 47 of the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021, meetings of Llanelli Town Council are held by a mixture of online and face to face means at the Old Vicarage, Town Hall Square.

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 and the working way forward with Cymru Can which now form 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 is a strategy launched by the Future Generations Commissioner for Wales to enhance the implementation of the **Well-being of Future Generations Act**. This initiative aims to create a more sustainable and inclusive Wales for current and future generations by focusing on five main areas:

- Ensuring the Act is implemented effectively.
- Responding to climate and nature emergencies.
- Preventing ill health.
- Establishing a well-being economy.
- Protecting and enhancing culture and the Welsh language.
- The strategy emphasizes the importance of long-term thinking and aims to accelerate positive change in Wales by 2030.

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



The Service We Deliver



Community Centres



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

- Bigyn Community Centre
- Glenalla Community Centre
- Llanerch Community Centre
- Paddock Street Community Centre
- Wesleyan 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, Crown Park, Havelock Park, Morfa Park, Nightingale Court, Penyfan Park, Peoples' Park and Penygaer Playing Fields.

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

During 2025-26, additional play equipment has been installed at Havelock Park, Peoples' Park and Crown Park.

The Town Council employs a dedicated Park Keeping Service. The Park Keeping service are a visible presence 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.



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 continues 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.



Community Facilities

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. 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 and is home to Llanelli Town AFC and Evans and Williams 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 Scarlets and Llanelli Town AFC, including disability football, Rugby Tournament and Schools Sports Festival.

Footpaths 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.



Defibrillators and Critical Bleed Kits

The Town Council provides Community Defibrillators and Critical Bleed Kits at Crown Park, Penyfan Park, Penygaer Playing Fields, The Old Vicarage, Selwyn Samuel Centre, Nightingale Play Area, Glenalla Community Centre and Parc Howard.

Early Intervention

Primary Schools Provision

Primary schools across Llanelli Town have experienced a variety of enriching projects throughout the year. Such as the newly developed Stay On Side project, litter picking projects and cross country events.



Toddler Activities

Activity provision has been supported at St Pauls Family Centre as well as the continued provision at Llanerch Meithrin. Stand-alone toddler activity sessions have been provided for free at Paddock Street, Penygaer and Wesleyan Community Centres.



School Sporting Events

A series of sporting opportunities have been provided to Llanelli Schools including Football tournaments, Rugby events at Stebonheath Stadium, bowls festival and cross country events.



Stay on Side Project

The Town Council has developed a project called the StayOnSide project which works in schools to provide learning and practical application to tackling anti-social behaviour in our communities. The project was commended at last years One Voice Wales National Awards. 5 schools have now taken part in the project.



Inclusion

Darts Sessions



Llanelli Town Council in partnership with Menter Cwm Gwendraeth Elli have begun a darts academy for local children to take up a evergrowing sport through the medium of Welsh. The weekly sessions and termly competition have attracted a variety of ages.

International Women's Day

Llanelli Town Council have worked with a variety of partners to deliver one day events to celebrate women in Llanelli and internationally. The day had motivational speakers for local champions along with a showcase for Llanelli based opportunities for women to take part in.



Disability Football Festival

Llanelli Reds Disability Team hosted their third Disability Football Festival in 2025. Disability teams attended from as far afield as Aberystwyth and Bridgend with over 120 players taking part. The event was sponsored by Tata Steel.



LGBTQIA+

Llanelli Town Council continue to support the LGBTQIA+ Community in Llanelli, attending numerous events arranged in the Town.



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. The Town Council Biodiversity and Environmental Development Action plan has been published in accordance with the the Biodiversity and Resilience of Ecosystems Duty of Part 1 - Section 6 of the Environment (Wales) Act 2016.



Learning into Nature

Further improvements have been made in each of the parks. With learning opportunities for the community. These have included increasing our wildflower areas and bulb planting supported by Llanelli Green Spaces Network and Local Places for Nature Carmarthenshire.

Tree Nursery

The Tree Nursery was created at Llanelli Box Cemetery in the winter. The Nursery has been developed in partnership with Llanelli Rural Council. Trees and saplings are given time to grow before being planted out in the community.

Park Well-being Walks



A number of health and well-being walking sessions utilising the newly established river walkways, Pentre Awel lakeside walks and park walks at Peoples' Park have been undertaken in partnership with Llanelli Green Spaces Network. The walks were supported by several organisations including Llanelli Multicultural Network, Hywel Dda University Health Board and Pentre Awel Community Team. The year also saw a number of community members train as walk leaders.

Our Veterans Community



- Arrangements for Remembrance Sunday were supported by the Town Council in partnership with the Royal British Legion, Llanelli Veterans Association, Carmarthenshire County Council and the Bands of the RBL and Salvation Army.
- The Town Council again supported the Great Western Railways Poppy Train to Paddington.
- The RBL Festival of Remembrance was held at the Y Ffwrnes Theatre in November. The 80th Anniversary of the end of the Second World War in Europe and Asia was recognised in the Town Centre in May and August.



Signing of the Armed Forces Covenant

Llanelli Town Council formally adopted the Armed Forces Covenant in March 2026, with Town Mayor Councillor John E. Jones J.P signing on behalf of the Town Council and Captain James John, Commanding Officer of 157 Royal Logistics Corps signing on behalf of the Ministry of Defence.

The Town Mayor was joined by Colonel Simon Walker, Deputy Lord Lieutenant of Dyfed, County Council Chair Cllr Dot Jones, Llanelli Rural Council Chair Cllr Sue Lewis, fellow Town Councillors and representatives of numerous Armed Forces Organisations at the event held in the Old Vicarage.



Mayoral Activities



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 Llanelli Mind and the Llanelli Arts Society.

Meet the Mayor

A real highlight of the year was the Meet the Mayor Project at the Old Vicarage where Town Mayor, Cllr Andrew Bragoli welcomed 4 secondary schools to the Mayoral Parlour in November 2025. As part of the project around 150 pupils and teachers visited the Town Council Chamber. The project provides 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 in Llanelli

The Town Council supported the County Council Toy Box Appeal again in 2025, providing £1,300 worth of toys and products for distribution to families in need of support in the run up to Christmas.



Sponsored visits were undertaken by the Town Mayor to 3 food stations in Llanelli during December 2025, providing products and financial support to these organisation who provide assistance to those in need in the Town.



Mayoral Charities

Cllr Bragoli chose LLAMAS and the Llanelli Warriors Rugby Team as his charities for the year. Cllr Bragoli arranged a number of events, raising more than £2,000 each for the charities during his time as Town Mayor.

Working Together

Junior 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 Team 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. Projects in 2025/26 have included support to Elevensees activities, and the International Women's Day and International Children's Day.

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 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.

Transforming Tyisha

Llanelli Town Council has successfully worked alongside the Transforming Tyisha Team to support their Spring Clean Up initiative, involving pupils from Ysgol Penrhos and Bigyn School. This project is one of a number of community-focused initiatives that the Council has supported, helping to promote environmental awareness, civic pride, and positive engagement among local young people.

Llanelli Community Partnership and the Green Spaces Network

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



The Town Council continues to work 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.

International Events

June 2025 saw the 'Twin Cities Rugby Challenge', with 25 youth players and 5 coaches heading over to the Llanelli Twin Town of Agen. The boys were treated with great hospitality and even got to watch the European Cup final on the main pitch on the big screen after the match. Llanelli run out eventual winners 19-12 against a resilient French side in around 40 degree heat. The weekend was a great experience for all players, coaches and parents who were given a walking tour of the city on the last day of the visit.



Plans are already underway for the reverse visit of the 'Twin Cities Rugby Challenge' in June 2026.



Achievements 2025/26

FAW West Wales McDonalds Fun Football Provider 2025

Llanelli Town Council were awarded FAW McDonalds Fun Football provider of the year for the West Wales region! The weekly sessions at Penyfan Playing Fields' Cruyff Court has grown from strength to strength with half term sessions proving very busy with players who want to play in a safe environment in their local area.



StayOnSide Project

The Town Council has developed a project called the StayOnSide project which works in schools to provide learning and practical application of how activities can tackle anti-social behaviour in our community. The project was commended at last year's One Voice Wales Awards. 5 schools have now undertaken the project with the project continuing in 2026.



WESDA Awards

The Syria Sir Gar project was nominated to the final three at the national awards for the Welsh Ethnic Diversity Sports Awards in the Celtic Manor in 2025.



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Pentre Awel Leisure Centre, 5
Friday: 20th January at 10.00am

Other Projects Supported in 2025-26



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 2025. Additionally, the Town Council funded Christmas Trees and Lighting at the Old Vicarage, Penyfan, Havelock Park and Llanerch.

Jo Cox More in Common Day

More in Common Day was marked in Llanelli in June 2025 as part of a nationwide effort to celebrate unity and shared values. The event honored the legacy of Jo Cox, bringing local residents together through community activities, conversations, and acts of kindness. It reflects the belief that communities are stronger when people focus on what they have in common rather than their differences.



#MoreInCommon

Nepalese Cultural Celebration

In June 2025 and in Partnership with Llanelli Multicultural Network - A Nepalese cultural celebration that took place at Penygaer Fields Llanelli. Nepalese families from all over Wales joined us for music, dance and delicious food. All the families have direct links to family members who have served the the British Army in Gurkha Regiments, with links going back over 200 years.



Next Steps

This report provides a flavour of the activities carried out by the Town Council during 2025-26.

Project work will continue to be developed in 2026-27.

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, Cegin Y Bobl, Hearts and Crafts, Transforming Tyisha Team, Welsh Government, UK Government and all the Sporting and Community Organisations and Llanelli residents who have supported the delivery of our work through the year, thank you.



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