

## LLANWDDYN COMMUNITY ACTION PLAN 2014-2018

This action plan will be reviewed and updated annually. It is not meant to be an exhaustive list and can be added to in-between reviews.

### David Rowlands Community Field

- The Council **WILL NOT** use or increase the Precept to fund the David Rowlands Community Field without a full public consultation. The Council will continue its current policy of making the field available for hire and running events to support the upkeep costs.
- The Council will seek ways to encourage other activities to take place on the Field. No redesign of the Field will take place without a full public consultation taking place.

### Local Facilities

- The Council will continue discussions with PCC to keep the Abertridwr toilets open with the preferred option being for PCC to run them. The Council will only take over the running of the toilets if they are cost effective to run locally.

### Transport, Highways and Refuse

- The Council will continue to work with PCC to ensure a weekly bus service is maintained for residents.
- The Council will continue to work with PCC to keep a weekly rubbish collection in the community.
- The Council will continue to work with PCC to investigate a way of incorporating a safety mirror for traffic emerging from the Dam as per resident's requests and support in the 2014 survey.

### Abertridwr and surrounding areas

- The Council will continue to maintain and upkeep the Abertridwr playground.
- The Council will undertake a period of consultation with the residents of Abertridwr to discuss the request for more parking around the bowling green and for the area to be used by Llanwddyn Gardening Club.

### Top Village

- The Council will work in support of local residents and businesses where requested to resolve disputes relating to the condition of the roads, facilities and services to the top village.

### Tourism

- The Council will work with partner agencies to investigate a cost effective way of incorporating a "visitors" playground into the top village.
- The Council will continue to work with partner agencies to improve the visitor experience including but not limited to appearance, facilities and car parking. This will encourage the use of the probation service to provide manpower to tidy and clean up all areas of the community.

### Education

- The Council will work with PCC and local Cylch leaders to maintain a Pre-School facility in Llanwddyn whilst a demand exists and if Council assistance is requested.
- The Council will continue to support and call for FREE educational transport services from the village to all catchment schools.

### Others

- The Council will continue to work with Dyfed Powys Police on crime prevention as well as discussing ways to make the current patrols more visible.
- The Council will continue to work with PCC to seek an immediate future for the old school building.
- The Council in line with results in the 2014 survey will undertake a study of ways to provide more facilities and activities for the younger members of the Community.

## **2014 Survey Questions and responses**

### **Q) Do you wish the Council to fight to keep the Weekly Bus Service?**

(Legal Power – Local Government & Rating Act 1997 s26 – 29, Local Government (Wales) Measures 2009)

Yes - 26      No - 0      Not answered – 3

#### **Comments**

- Twice a week would be better.
- If there is sufficient demand.
- The Council should back up the local people who are fighting to keep it.
- As far as I'm concerned, this matter has been resolved
- It's sorted.
- Is this your business, don't interfere
- Suggest moving the bus to a Saturday to allow more people to use it.

### **Q) How often should your rubbish be collected?**

(Legal Power – Local Government (Wales) Measures 2009 ss37-47)

Weekly - 23      Fortnightly - 2      Not answered – 4

#### **Comments**

- I would imagine this is a central decision made by County Council
- Does depend on Powys CC system
- Quite happy, why complain you will only cause trouble.
- Either Or
- Is this your business, don't interfere

### **Q) Do you support keeping the Abertridwr toilets open?**

(Legal Power – Public Health Act 1936)

Yes - 23      No - 3      Not answered – 3

#### **Comments**

- It won't help, only the shop and camping field Do they intend to pay towards it.
- Is this not a necessity for disabled users
- These should remain with Powys
- Yes but not if cost excessive
- You should have consulted the community before interfering

### **Q) Should the David Rowlands Community Field remain as a football pitch or should other sports and recreation facilities be considered?**

(Legal Power – Public Health Act 1875 & 1961, Local Gov Act 1972, Open Spaces Act 1906)

Football - 3      Other - 18      Not answered – 8

#### **Comments**

- Football, Rounder's, Cricket etc.
- Both
- Cricket, Rounder, Fetes, Children's Parties etc.
- Archery Club
- Skate Park, BMX Track, Dressage Arena
- Cricket, Rounder's & Events that are organised
- It can still remain as a football pitch to still play other sports on it without extra cost. Whatever sports the young ones want to play
- Neither
- Let the children play on the field instead of outside the shop, it's dangerous
- Tennis, Basketball
- No point keeping it as a football field, we don't have a team.
- Other recreation has been on it for years.
- Any type of sport that ensures the field is used.
- Community events (e.g. fireworks) and fund raising
- Llanwddyn haven't got a football team, you should have consulted the community before you started
- Other sports and recreational gardens
- Children's playground
- Canvas opinions from young people & consider equestrian events

- We don't have a football team
- Both, this has been used for other recreational facilities in the past
- You should have consulted the community before you started

**Q) Should the Abertridwr playground be maintained?**

(Legal Power – Public Health Act 1961, Local Government (Misc provisions) Act 1976  
Local Government Act 2000)

Yes - 22      No - 3      Not answered – 5

Comments

- Locals will mainly use this
- As long as it is needed
- Who is going to play on it, who is going to pay for it.
- I don't think there is much call for it these days
- Very rarely see people use it though
- Yes – if there is demand and cost is reasonable
- Is there a need for it? Who do you think is going to play there

**Q) Should there be a playground in top village?**

(Legal Power – Public Health Act 1961, Local Government (Misc provisions) Act 1976  
Local Government Act 1972 & 2000)

Yes - 12      No - 13      Not answered – 4

Comments

- Tourists will mainly use this
- There is a large demand for it
- There is a high demand in the top village
- No kids in top village
- There was one and it was neglected and removed
- I thought the playground belongs to Severn Trent
- If STW can't keep the up keep what chance do you stand
- Like there used to be. Good for lakeside visitors
- Not Council funded – it was only used by visitors
- Should be seen as a top priority – tourist facility

**Q) Should the playgrounds be combined to one large area on the David Rowlands Community Field?**

(Legal Power – Public Health Act 1961, Local Government (Misc provisions) Act 1976  
Local Government Act 1972 & 2000)

Yes - 6      No - 19      Not answered – 4

Comments

- Playground is a safe space in the village
- Not unless there are a lot of children wanting to use it on a regular basis
- This would not work on H&S grounds
- It should stay as a football field
- Probably
- Possibly, Obviously not all of it as you would have parking issues to consider plus would visitors bother to stop there and the lake
- Yes if the old playground becomes uneconomic and needs to be replaced
- If it for the visitors they should be charged instead of expecting the community to pay
- One playground would be enough in a central location
- Restricts area available for events
- We cant afford one

**Q) Are you happy with the level of Police patrols in Llanwddyn?**

(Legal Power – Local Government and Ratings Act 1997)

Yes - 19      No - 2      Not answered – 8

Comments

- What Patrols

- Only a massive increase or specific campaigns will help to deter oil/shed/barn thefts. Crime would need to increase significantly before such increases to funding could be justified.
- What Patrols
- They could be employed in towns
- We've never had police patrols up here – Where do you think we live (London)
- Where do you think the money will come from
- Yes, although we live outside the main areas of Llanwddyn

**Q) Should there be more foot Police patrols in Llanwddyn?**

(Legal Power – Local Government and Ratings Act 1997)

Yes - 4          No - 19          Not answered – 6

Comments

- What patrols
- There isn't any
- Encourage Police to knock on doors and say hello

**Q) Should the Council continue to campaign for a safety mirror at the end of the dam?**

(Legal Power – Local Government and Rating Act 1997, Highways Act 1980, Road Traffic Regulations Act 1984, Parish Councils Act 1957)

Yes - 20          No - 5          Not answered – 4

Comments

- I am not aware of this causing a high volume of accidents, time & energy could be better spent on other issues
- Who is going to pay? The one at the bottom of Church Drive was donated by the late Mrs Druce
- Are you trying to upset the village it's nothing to do with you
- If people drove & approached it properly there wouldn't be a need for one
- Would this be legal
- It needs something

**Q) Should the Council campaign for a reduced speed limit from 40mph to 30mph on the roads around Abertridwr and to the Dam?**

(Legal Power – Local Government and Rating Act 1997, Highways Act 1980, Road Traffic Regulations Act 1984, Parish Councils Act 1957)

Yes - 14          No - 13          Not answered – 2

Comments

- (Solar-powered) speed indicator signs will help to slow traffic
- 30 in Abertridwr – 20 in Top Village (Llanwddyn)
- There was a path especially built for pedestrians and was used a lot when 1<sup>st</sup> built. Only seen a horse rider on it lately, do cars speed there?
- Are you going to police it
- As above – common sense
- Can't see the need for this, there is a public footpath for walkers to use
- Come on be realistic, we are living in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century, there are many horses on the road now. Are you considering speed cameras?
- 40mph limit is reasonably well observed – it would be difficult to exceed by much without crashing. 30mph limit likely to be widely broken as elsewhere in the country – and unlikely to be enforceable without disproportionate impact. Traffic calming probably a better long term option.

**Q) Should Cylch be maintained for pre-school children?**

(Legal Power – Local Government (Wales) Measures 2009, Local Government Act 2000, Local Government Act 1972)

Yes - 15          No - 4          Not answered – 10

Comments

- If there are enough children attending
- Only 2 kids?
- Don't know
- If cost effective but not a council issue
- The building and Cylch has nothing to do with the council. It's up to the leaders

- It is up to the number of children and the leaders, the room belongs to the community centre
- Is this a CC matter
- Surely it's up to the leaders
- Leave education to Powys

**Q) Should the Council campaign for the retention of school transport (if required) to?**

**Pennant? Yes 20 No 1 Not answered 8**

**Llanfyllin Infants? Yes 22 No 1 Not answered 6**

**Llanfyllin High School? Yes 24 No 1 Not answered 4**

(Legal Power – Local Government (Wales) Measures 2009)

Comments

- Isn't it statutory
- Is it not County Council policy to provide transport for children over 2
- It should happen regardless
- I understand Powys are obliged to provide transport
- Is it in danger of not being available?
- Why interfere it's up to Powys

**Q) What would you like to see the old school building used for?**

(Legal Power – Local Government (Wales) Measures 2009, Local Government Act 1972, Town and Country Planning Act 1990, Local Government Act 2000)

Business - 3 Tourism - 0 Either - 14 Not answered – 12

Comments

- Or as an extension to the Community Centre
- Hotel Staff Accommodation
- No idea
- Housing/sheltered housing or use site for new houses
- Possibly housing, it does not lend itself to either of your suggestions
- Neither
- It's up for sale – does not apply
- The school belongs to PCC and what happens is entirely up to buyer could be a pound shop
- Neither of the 2 as there would be parking everywhere
- What has it got to do with Community Council
- Not for horses!! A Spar or village shop that caters for the village, competition didn't hurt anyone
- A mini supermarket- maybe Spar
- Both – it could be brought as could the hall and run as a village co-operative
- This will be up to the buyer, again not the concern of the Council
- Just get it used
- Any reasonable user

**Q) Would you like to see more designated parking areas around the lake/village?**

(Legal Power – Local Government Act 1972, Local Government and Rating Act 1997, Highways Act 1980, Road Traffic Regulations Act 1984, Parish Councils Act 1957)

Yes - 11 No - 14 Not answered – 4

Comments

- People will park where they wish
- No, unless we further establish the hall and school
- Maintain the current facilities first
- Why not enlarge existing ones
- Yes, including reserved for locals

**Q) Would you like to see visitors to Lake Vyrnwy charged for parking if this meant that improvements could be made to the Community Infrastructure?**

(Legal Power – Local Government Act 1972, Local Government and Rating Act 1997, Highways Act 1980, Road Traffic Regulations Act 1984, Parish Councils Act 1957)

Yes - 13 No - 12 Not answered – 4

Comments

- It all costs money that you don't have

- It's a promoting tool offering free parking, rare these days, donation boxes will be better
- Yes, but only a reasonable amount eg £1 max
- I like the idea but not sure how it work in practice
- No, they will park anywhere
- Don't mind

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- No, they will park anywhere
- No but have voluntary donations for parking (boxes in car park) with explanatory notices charged parking requires staffing/policing/admin for fines etc – too expensive
- Residents would need a pass
- Only if no detriment to existing customer base, locals catered for and clear how the money would be spent
- Only if it is a nominal charge and that the money goes back into the village infrastructure
- No because people will then park on the roads
- I don't see that working after expense of bringing the car parks up to standard, installing meters & wardens – what money is left
- Only if used to repair roads

**Q) Should the Council investigate reducing the size of the bowling green in Abertridwr to allow for more residents parking?**

(Legal Power – Highways Act 1980, Road Traffic Regulations Act 1984, Parish Councils Act 1957)

Yes - 13      No - 11      Not answered – 5

Comments

- All these people have the back road – ask STWA
- They should investigate why the residents of 29-24 Abertridwr don't park at the back of 29-24 Abertridwr (it needs resurfacing)
- No, It could be used as a village community garden and orchard
- Isn't it a landlord issue
- If that is what the residents are asking for and it can be afforded
- If necessary
- If that is what the tenants want
- No opinion
- Presence of parked cars causes drivers to reduce speed, maybe a more permissive planning regime for those wanting to create their own parking areas on the front gardens at their own cost.

**Q) Would you like to see the Council organise or participate in events to assist financing Community facilities like the Abertridwr Toilets and David Rowlands Community Field to avoid having to increase the precept?**

(Legal Power – Public Health Act 1875 & 1961, Local Gov Act 1972, Open Spaces Act 1906)

Yes - 20      No - 2      Not answered – 7

Comments

- Not Council Business
- I was under the impression that the council was having a grant of £1500 per year towards the toilets
- Perhaps consultation with the village before these were taken on to decide financing would have been useful As it is I feel the council should organise their own fundraising events
- The Council only do what they want for their own ends
- I thought that had already been decided
- You landed the village with the burden you sort it out
- Yes for the field, ambivalent about the toilets

**Q) Would you support provision of facilities for the youth of the community?**

Yes - 21      No - 3      Not answered – 5

**Q) Would you be prepared to see a portion of the precept used to provide these facilities?**

(Legal Power – Local Government Act 1972, Local Government (Misc) Provisions Act 1976, Local Government Act 2000, Local Government and Rating Act 1997)

Yes - 15      No - 8      Not answered – 6

Comments

- Whatever the youth want to do as long as it's not done on the road
- Absolutely not – not council business
- I should ask the youth of the community they will have a better idea
- Facilities to keep them off the road, consult with the young people to see what they want

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- Pre-school, youth club or similar
- Youth Club
- Youth Club, events – nature habitats, active participation in tree management
- Music & sports events, subsidised/free transport to events in Welshpool, Oswestry and Llanfyllin
- Village should fundraise with the help of young people then things will be looked after and respected.
- Youth Centre, facilities
- There are not enough youths to justify the spend
- Sports clubs and school holiday activities

**Q) Would you support the Council working with the probation service to tidy and clean up the village?**

(Legal Power – Local Government Act 1972, Local Government Act 2000)

Yes - 21      No - 2      Not answered – 6

Comments

- If they are well supervised
- Possibly but needs some careful consideration
- Being as no one else looks to be doing it, better than nothing
- Yes, although ST should be doing it
- Can they work to repair/paint the iron fencing

**Q) Do you support the idea of a private hire charge for the David Rowlands Community Field or should the running costs be added to the Council Precept?**

(Legal Power – Public Health Act 1875 & 1961, Local Gov Act 1972, Open Spaces Act 1906, Local Gov Act 2000, Local Gov (Misc Prov) Act 1976.)

Hire - 13      Precept - 3      Not answered – 13

Comments

- No Answer – Depends on maintenance costs and what events would be held there that can afford a fee
- No Answer – The locals should have it free but charge outsiders
- Neither close the field
- You never had to pay before
- Charges must be reasonable/realistic with some flexibility eg charities
- Villagers FOC but organisations is a difficult one + I don't envy your decision
- I don't agree with either, use volunteers to maintain or/and fundraise
- Neither – The Council said it would organize events. The precept has already increased
- Council took the field on without consultation. It is up to the council to raise the funds needed. Very angry about this.
- You should have left the field with STW
- Hire for Events
- Either the field is a necessity to bring the community together for events

General Comments

- Excellent feedback form, well laid out & sensible questions, thank you
- Are the community council campaigning for the Top Village like state of car park and roads etc. Also stop kids playing football on the road by Dafarn shop
- Compiling a useful and meaningful questionnaire is a skilled matter. If you are asking people to give their thoughts and time to filling one in it is only fair that they feel the questions are relevant to their situation and their answers may be helpful – not the case here, I'm afraid.

- The community council should be working for the people within the locality, there seems to be little representation for the top village with efforts concentrated on the bottom village. More pressure should be applied to Severn Trent to maintain the infrastructure and area.
- If you had ask Llanwddyn people you might have a little more support
- Thank you for the questionnaire – It is a good start but this is a wish list, please let us know the costs before they are implemented
- The Community Council is working very hard to make sure we don't lose our services and should be supported fully. Great questionnaire, good to be asked our views.

General Comments from surgeries drop in meetings and other forms of communication not covered in the 2014 survey.

- Can the old green boiler from the DHS be removed before it becomes an eye-sore.
- Can the bowling green be used by Llanwddyn gardening club.
- Can we have somewhere for to go that's indoors and dry so we do not have to stay outdoors, a club house would be great!
- Be there when needed, ensure "top village" (Lake Vyrnwy) and "bottom village" (Llanwddyn) are equally represented and fought for.
- Press STW to bring the area back up to standard.
- Putting a play area in "top village"
- Ensure AM's MP's (& media?) are up-to-date about what is and is not happening here