

Cyngor Cymuned Cilymaenllwyd

Cilymaenllwyd Community Council

Environmental Policy

A conscientious protection of people and the environment is an integral part of Cilymaenllwyd Community Council's working practice. The aim of this policy is to provide guiding principles of the aims and objectives allowing the community council to provide information and direct action where appropriate.

1. Support and promote Carmarthenshire County Council's Local Development Plan and its policies that help to tackle climate change and boost the natural, social and economic environment.
 - Provide up to date information relating to Cilymaenllwyd and the surrounding area.
 - Expect the highest possible standards of energy efficiency for new housing and other buildings.
 - Expect that sites allocated for new developments be accessible by walking, cycling and public transport and avoid loss of local nature sites and green spaces.
 - Support the aging population of Cilymaenllwyd.
 - Promote energy efficiency and increasing the supply of renewable energy.
 - Minerals & Waste; Encourage the efficient and appropriate use and safeguarding of high-quality minerals. Support the sustainable management of waste.
 - Support Economy & Employment proposals and strategies in line with the Plan's Spatial Strategy / Settlement Framework.
 - Support the provision and retention of community facilities.
 - Consider Tourism & Recreation strategies where they add value to, preserve and are sustainable towards the local economy.
2. Support policies, strategies and plans that promote and protect the Welsh Language.
 - Assist in protecting, enhancing and promoting the Welsh Language and the community's cultural identity, assets and social fabric.
 - Work alongside other Welsh-medium and bilingual organisations that have similar goals.
3. Encourage and support action focused on the health & wellbeing of youngsters.
 - Build upon links with the local schools.
 - Encourage interaction between the community council and local pupils.
4. Promote practical action by local people from organisations to individuals.

- A local guide that provides information on local businesses, involved in Fair Trade or renewable energy for example.
 - Encourage and involve local clubs and associations.
5. Use our voice.
- Post regularly updated information on the community council's social media and website re current community issues.
 - Promote sustainable alternatives to high-carbon initiatives.
 - Traffic, transport and parking issues.
6. Encourage and support local groups
7. Ensure Cilymaenllwyd's green spaces, footpaths and areas of natural beauty are run and supported in an environmentally sustainable manner.
- Consider the use of herbicides and pesticides.
 - Consider mowing regimes that are beneficial to environment as a whole.
 - Promote positive actions
8. Be environmentally conscious in all aspects of council business.
- Use local contractors whenever possible.
 - Buy green/environmentally friendly wherever possible.
9. Planning Application Responses – Support CCC's Local Development Plan, The Net Zero Carbon Status by 2030 Plan and the corresponding policies when considering planning applications.
- To ensure that the natural environment, including habitats and species, are safeguarded and enhanced.
 - To safeguard and enhance the built and historic environment
 - To ensure that the principles of spatial sustainability are upheld by directing development to sustainable locations with access to services and facilities and wherever possible encouraging the reuse of previously developed land.
 - To protect and enhance the character, distinctiveness, safety and vibrancy of the community

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