

Annual Report 2023/24

Llanwddyn Community Council

The year 2023/24 has been very challenging for the council.

The year started with the co-option of five new councilors following the resignation of all previous councilors. It remains disappointing that no-one from the community has come forward to fill the remaining councilor vacancies, three positions are unfilled.

Despite continued efforts, the council had not been able to secure the continued services of a clerk/responsible financial officer. This, combined with inexperienced councilors and difficulties accessing the council's bank accounts, has caused serious problems, making it difficult to ensure that the council meets its legal and financial obligations. It is hoped that with the steps taken so far, the coming year will see a more stable situation.

Despite the difficulties the council has been able to move forward, providing help and support to the community when needed.

Solid relationships have been formed with other stakeholders in our area to ensure that the community is represented and considered in decision making.

Full access to the council's bank accounts has now been established.

The council has been able to maintain the council's assets, with a programme of refurbishment where needed.

The website has been improved and brought up-to-date.

The council has encouraged better use of the community field, with access for all. In line with the council's biodiversity plan, parts of the field have been turned over to nature, with ongoing tree and wildflower planting.

The council has continued to support the village community centre, which is seen as a vital hub for the community. The provision of broadband will now allow the council to fulfill its legal obligation to provide remote access to its meetings.

The council have raised the need for a review of speed limits within the area with Powys County Council and continue to press for a resolution.

Looking forward. Many of the problems faced through the year have been resolved, a foundation has been laid for the council to move forward. Thanks must go to the new members for stepping into the breach and for their continued hard work in keeping the council functioning, the council is fortunate to have active and committed members.

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