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1st November 2021

To All Llanfair Town Councillors

From the Town Clerk

Dear Councillor,

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the Full Council to be held on Monday 8th November 2021 at 7pm in The Youth Room The Institute Llanfair Caereinion Station

If there is any change due to restrictions etc I will call you all.

Yours sincerely,

Robert Robinson

Robert A Robinson MBE FRICS FSLCC Town Clerk & RFO

AGENDA

For a meeting of the Full Council to be held on **Monday 8th November 2021 at 7pm** in the Youth Room The Institute Llanfair Caereinion

1. Welcome by the Chair

To receive a welcome from the Chair.

2. Police PCSO

To meet the PCSO for Llanfair Caereinion.

3. Record of attendance

To record attendance and record any apologies for absence.

4. Declarations of interest

Members are asked to receive declarations of interest under consideration on this agenda in accordance with the Localism Act 2011 s32 and The Relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012.

4. Public Question Time and Participation

Members of the public are advised that they are welcome to ask questions about items on the Agenda or matters about the town itself. It is not always possible to give a verbal response at the meeting and questions may receive a written reply. No resolution can be made under this item. Questions should relate to matters of Town Council policy or practice and not relate to the individual affairs of either the questioner or any other named person.

5. Minutes of the last meeting

To consider and approve the minutes of the last Meeting held on Monday 25th October 2021 – issued separately with Agenda.

6. Actions taken since the last meeting

To note the actions to be taken form the last meeting – see appendix A.

7 Financial

7.1 Deri Woods HLF Grant

To receive an update on the final grant aid figures. (current repayment sought by funders is £ £4,309.00) See appendix B.

8. Planning and Development

8.1 Planning application

To consider the following planning application:

21/1731/FUL Brynelen Uchaf, Cyfronydd, Welshpool, Powys SY21 9HB

Change of use of land from agriculture to tourism for the siting of two lodges and all associated works. (see appendix C).

8.2 Planning decisions

To note the following planning decisions:

Erection of a two storey extension and all associated works

Cae Ddu Eithinog Lane Llanfair Caereinion Powys SY21 9ED

Ref. No: 21/1422/HH | Validated: Mon O9 Aug 2021 | Status: Approve

Erection of an extension to a poultry rearing unit comprising two new buildings, silos and all associated works

Rhos Fawr Llanfair Caereinion Powys SY21 9HE

Ref. No: 21/O226/FUL | Validated: Thu 11 Mar 2021 | Status: Application

Withdrawn

8.3 Town Plan

No changes were proposed to main Town Plan previously issued.

To consider the Town Plan consultation report. See appendix D1

To consider the Action Plan. See appendix D2

To approve and adopt the plan.

9. Youth Council

To receive a report on the Youth Council Meeting held on 19th October 2021. See minutes of meeting at appendix E.

10. Defibrillator Review

To consider a report for implementation of a Defibrillator Plan for Llanfair Caereinion. See appendix F

10. Climate Change

To consider a motion from Cllr Richard Dericutt. See appendix G.

To consider a Town Council Climate Change Policy. See appendix H.

County Council Matters

To receive a report from the County Councillor.

11. Town Clerk report

To consider any matters from the Town Clerk.

12. WLLR update 2022

To receive a short update on the plans for 2022 of the Welshpool & Llanfair Light Railway.

13. Report from the North & Mid Wales Association of Local Councils

To consider a report on the Association Meeting held on 23rd October 2021.

14. Town Clean-up day - Saturday 13th November 2021

To finalise any matters relating to the clean up day.

15. Christmas Dinner

To consider and make a decision on the location for the Christmas Dinner for 2021.

16.Dates for meetings in November 2021:

To note the date for Full Council meeting to be held in November 2021 as follows:

Monday 22nd November 2021 at 7pm

Meeting to be held at The Institute Llanfair Caereinion

APPENDIX A

ACTIONS SINCE LAST MEETING

No	Heading	Item	
1	Minutes	Complete minutes and circulate with agenda for next meeting.	Completed
2	Planning applications	Inform PCC of the Councils decision regarding the planning application.	Completed
3	Mount Field Containers	Arrange for final paintwork to be completed.	Arranged
		Also to arrange to have the remaining side painted as an extra.	Arranged
4	Existing play area	To prepare a scheme for refurbishment of the existing play area.	Being prepared
5	Clean Up Day	To complete arrangements for the clean-up day.	Arranged
6	Trem Banwy play area	To work with PCC to improve the play area and complete an overall plan for approval for play.	Town Clerk working with Cllr G Jones
7	Watergate Street telephone box	To seek further quotes for refurbishment following ideas put forward on cladding.	Report for this meeting.
8	Budget Consultation	To prepare a full budget report for the 22 nd November Full Council meeting.	Completed ready
9	Mount Field grass compounds	To arrange for the new compound to be put in place.	Arranged
10	Mount Field fence posts	Works to be arranged as soon as possible.	Arranged

APPENDIX B

RE: RE: RE: Llanfair Caereinion Town Council - Deri Woods Project



James Nee-Davies < James.nee-d@heritagefund.org.uk>

14:34



To: ROBERT ROBINSON Cc: ceri@montwt.co.uk

Hi Robert

Thank you for your email.

There were no costs profiled for Council staff time – the staff time on the project was for MWT staff members carrying out work and then invoicing the Town Council.

Planned costs were agreed at the start of the project and any changes are made should be whilst the project is live as a formal request and not in retrospect after conclusion of the project.

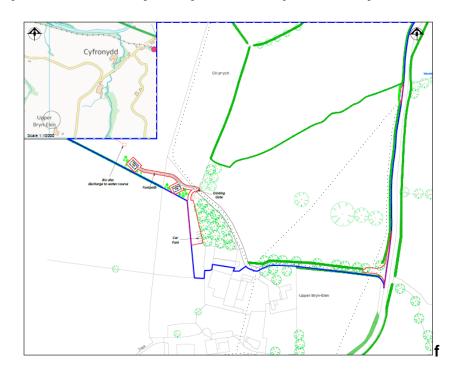
Therefore, we cannot agree such costs at this late stage.

Kind regards

James

Appendix C

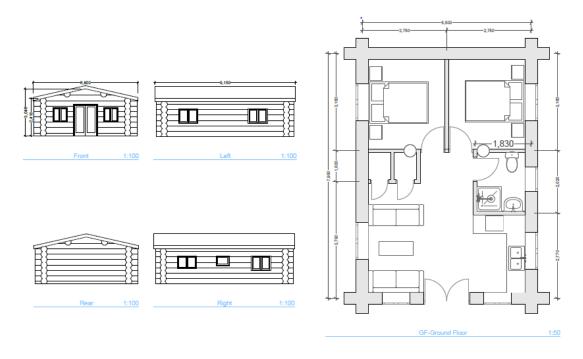
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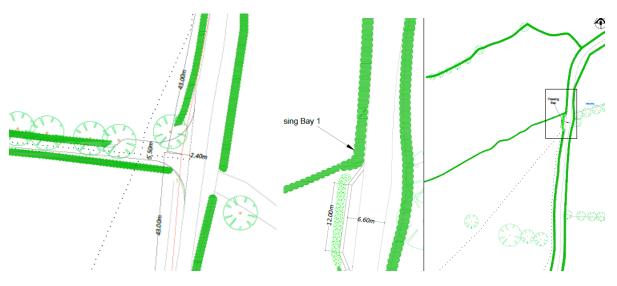
LOCATION PLAN



BLOCK PLAN



ELEVATION AND FLOOR PLAN OF LOG CABIN



ENTRANCE DETAILS

PASSING PLACE DETAILS

APPENDIX D1

REPORT TOWN PLAN CONSULTATION

1. Introduction

This report sets out the responses to the Town Plan consultation and sets out the theme of those who responded with their views about the Town.

2. Consultation

The Town Plan was advertised in the County Times, My Welshpool, the Website and Facebook. There were also 4 drop in days/afternoons/evenings held at Llanfair Connections. A total of 53 people attended the drop in sessions and there were 21 paper returns. The 6th Form at the High School was consulted on 20th September.

3. Responses

The responses and comments received were:

- a) There was not comment from Powys County Council.
- b) The Welsh Government supports the Plan.
- c) All attending were pleased there was a plan, that they were being consulted and were content with its contents with some additions.
- d) Many commented positively on the progress the Council is making for the Town.
- e) The main theme of concern for everyone who responded was threefold:
 - i) The state of the roads.
 - ii) The speed humps in Watergate Street.
 - iii) The number of lorries coming through the Town Centre.
 - iv) Parking issues around the Town.
 - f) The additional items that were suggested are:
 - a) A Youth Plan to contain their wishes prepared by them.
 - b) Support for bringing back a youth club.
 - c) A blue plaque scheme for older properties with history.
 - d) A safer cycle route from the top of Town to the school.
 - e) Hanging baskets around Town.
 - f) Dementia provision.
 - g) A Craft market sometimes in the summer.
 - h) Town looking tired tidy days.
 - Support retention of the Welshpool bus and extend it each time to the Foel.
 - j) Importance of supporting our local businesses.
 - k) Use Army Centre for youth with perhaps refreshments attached.

- I) More community engagement.
- m) Public toilets need to be upgraded with baby changing facilities.
- n) Promote disability and accessibility in the Town.
- o) Re-instate water pump in Wesley Street so it is working.
- p) Bring back stocks as an attraction by the Chapel in the Square.
- q) Morgan's Yard needs to be sorted.
- r) Perhaps a music group for the youth.
- s) Dog mess issues particularly in Deri Woods.
- t) Bridge over River Banwy by station needs repair.

4. Other longer term considerations put forward:

- a. Consideration of Community enablers.
- b. Consideration of a Community Foundation.
- c. Key performance indicators monitoring included in plan.

All other suggestions are already within the draft plan.

5. Town Plan alterations

The alterations made to the Town Plan following the consultation are:

- a) The main Town Plan is unaltered.
- b) The Action List has been adjusted to include:
 - i) Baby Changing facilities in the public toilets.
 - ii) Supporting a Youth Club.
 - iii) Access for disabled.
 - iv) Youth plan appendix.
 - v) Refurbishment or return of water pump and stocks.
 - vi) Seeking a solution to Morgan's Yard.
 - vii) Future consideration of Community enablers.
 - viii) Future consideration of a Community Foundation.

R A Robinson Town Clerk November 2021

APPENDIX D2

TOWN PLAN 2021-2027 ACTION PLAN

Ref	Priority	Project	Details	Target completion
1	1	Fencing by WLLR station	Complete new fencing by the Banwy footbridge and re-fix information boards.	May 2021
2	1	Publicity and press releases	To publish council activities via social media and press releases.	June 2021
3	1	Web Site	Re-organise headings to provide full information about the Council	July 2021
4	1	Library	Sign agreements for a 5 year support package	September 2021
5	1	Defibrillators	To provide a defibrillator in the Watergate Street telephone box. To ensure the unit at the Institute is working and to consider its relocation.	September 2021
6	2	Defibrillators	Prepare and implement a defibrillator plan for Llanfair	September 2021
7	1	Telephone Box High Street	Refurbish telephone box in High Street as information point.	September 2021
8	1	Keep Llanfair Tidy	Host annually a Keep Llanfair Tidy day with volunteers.	September 2021
9	1	Community Awards	To implement a Community Award Scheme annually to recognise those who have given good service within the Community.	September 2021
10	1	Youth Council	To work jointly with the High School to host a Youth Council on a quarterly basis.	September 2021
11	2	Communication to residents	Provide a community news booklet for residents to aid engagement and passing news out.	October 2021
12	2	St Marys Church lighting	To investigate and implement a new scheme of lighting in St Marys Churchyard.	October 2021

Ref	Priority	Project	Details	Target completion
13	1	Pollinator Garden	Install garden at Erw Ddwr	October 2021
14	1	Street Scene	To refurbish and clean up street furniture, benches and signs within the Town Boundaries.	October 2021
15	1	Deri Woods	Enter into an agreement with the MWT to manage Deri Woods.	October 2021
16	1	Planning and Development	Introduce a good neighbour scheme where affected parties are informed of the Town Council meetings that discuss that application.	November 2021
17	2	Business Forum	To work jointly with the local businesses and to host a business forum on a quarterly basis.	November 2021
18	2	Tourism	To investigate and implement a Tourism Plan for the Town.	November 2021
19	1	Town Trail	Complete the booklets and town trail boards through the town.	November 2021
20	2	Mount Field	Prepare and implement a management plan for Mount Field.	November 2021
21	3	Banwy Industrial Estate Road	Consider if the Town Council should take an asset transfer of the road and remaining PCC land.	December 2021
22	2	Car Parking	Investigate and seek a way to provide more car parking for the Town including Morgan's Yard.	January 2022
23	2	Water in a bottle	To provide a water in a bottle point in the Town Centre.	January 2022
24	2	Marketing	Council Logo adopted	February 2022
25	1	Public Toilets	Install baby changing facilities.	March 2021
26	2	Youth Facilities	To draw up a plan with the Youth Council for the Youth of the Town.	March 2022

Ref	Priority	Project	Details Target completion	
27	2	Markets	Investigate and implement a street market in the Town Square area or other suitable location.	March 2022
28	2	Bus stops	To investigate and implement a scheme of bus stop signs.	March 2022
29	2	Tourist	Arrange an annual event involving tourist forming a Be a local Tourist Week	March 2022
30	2	Access	To promote disabled access where ever possible.	April 2022
31	1	Town Centre WiFi	To install in partnership with PCC a WiFi system which also retains data for preparation of reports?	April 2022
32	2	Playground	Seek to take over the Trem Banwy Play Area from PCC and refurbish.	April 2022
33	2	Historic Records	Create a historic records January 20 package for storage.	
34	2	History in the Town	Re-instate the water pump in Wesley street and the stocks in the Square.	
35	2	Flicks in the Sticks	Provide a monthly cinema such as Flicks in the Sticks for the community. March 20.	
36	2	Signage	Complete a Signage May 2022 Audit on all Town Council property and update.	
37	2	Volunteers reception	To host a coffee morning reception to say thanks local volunteers who work to make Llanfair a better place.	
38	2	Flowers	Improve hanging baskets and flower tubs around Town.	
39	2	Book-start Event	Book-start Day with outing and storytelling for reception class at school.	June 2022

Ref	Priority	Project	Details	Target completion
40	1	Climate Change	All Councils should have a plan to set how the Council works in this respect.	June 2022
41	2	Dementia	To complete what is needed for the Town to become Dementia Friendly	July 2022
42	1	Parking	Prepare a parking plan for Llanfair and seek to implement it.	July 2022
43	2	Allotment provision	Complete investigations into provision of further allotments in Llanfair.	July 2022
44	1	Youth Club	To support the introduction of a Youth Club for the Town.	October 2022
45	2	Safer Cycle Routes	Safer cycle routes from the top of Watergate Street to the schools.	October 2022
46	2	Blue plaque scheme	To introduce a booklet to support and install blue plaque scheme (Historic Buildings) on property that are prepared to host one.	March 2023
47	2	Website	Build a new web site which can be interactive	July 2023
48	1	On street parking	To work with PCC to improve street parking with more controls as required.	On-going
49	1	Heavy traffic through town	To work with Powys County Council to seek a solution to reducing heavy traffic through the Town.	On-going
50	2	Watergate Street traffic calming	To review and make recommendations to the County Council regarding traffic calming in Watergate Street.	On-going

Ref	Priority	Project	Details	Target completion
51	2	Buses	To support the retention of bus links from Llanfair to Welshpool when Powys County Council reviews take place.	On-going
52	1	Roads	To support the County Councillor in seeking road surface improvements in the Town.	On-going
53	2	CCTV	Move CCTC control into office and put monitoring procedures in place.	On-going
54	1	Existing service delivery	To update, keep well maintained and secure the delivery of existing services.	On-going
55	2	Playground	Seek to provide an All Purpose Sports Area with all-weather surface.	Future
56	2	Explore setting up a community foundation	To allow legacies to be left to the town to aid development of projects.	Future
57	2	Community Engagement	To consider seeking a grant for a short term community engagement officer. This to be combined with a community enabler.	Future
58	1	Banwy Foot Bridge	To support the County Councillor is seeking refurbishment of the River Banwy Footbridge.	On-going
59	1	Morgan's Yard	Seek to find solution to the development or change of use to this land.	Future
60	2	Events	To prepare an events booklet annually to ensure residents and visitors know what is on offer.	On-going
61	2	Repair Cafe	To aid the setting up of a repair café to help recycle goods and provide a meeting point.	April 2023

APPENDIX E

LLANFAIR CAEREINION YOUTH COUNCIL MINUTES OF MEETING NO 1

held at Llanfair Caereinion High School on Tuesday 19th October 2021 at 12 noon

AGENDA

1. Record of attendance

There were 6 Members from the High School and the Town Clerk of the Town Council.

2. Election of a chair for the meeting.

The meeting elected Owen Chennetier as Chair until 31st May 2022.

3. To consider the layout of the Youth Plan

The meeting considered the general layout of the Youth Plan proposed. This was agreed as a format to start from. See appendix A.

4. To consider a plan for Youth

The meeting considered what could be included in such a plan with the first ideas being:

- i) An area where the youth can 'hang out', perhaps some picnic benches provided. The grassed area by the river was suggested.
- ii) The re-introduction of a youth club.
- iii) Transport for young people is an issue in a rural area.

 Bus stops clearly marked would be good as would clearly published timetables.

The current draft action plan is attached at appendix B.

5. Consultation

The meeting agreed to consult the other students in the school to gain their ideas. It is hoped this can be completed by the end of November 2021.

6. School crossing point by the Junior School

The members were of the view that this was very important, however they did understand the cost implications. The Town Clerk informed the meeting that a public consultation is being held in November on the subject.

7. Queens Jubilee June 2022

The meeting considered possible events for the above and it was agreed that the Youth Council should encourage the school to take part.

8. Date of next meeting

To be set by the Chair when the consultation is completed.

9. Actions from the meeting

The following actions are to be taken forward:

- i) Consultation with the students at the school by the Youth Council Members.
- ii) Town Clerk to gain information on youth bus passes.

APPENDIX F

DEFIBULLATOR PLAN

REPORT ON PRICES AND LOCATIONS

Defibrillator Plan

Following the Council decision to take forward a defibrillator plan this short report outlines the locations which are available and the prices sought from various suppliers.

Locations

The following locations are available which all have power for the installation.

- a) Telephone Box High Street
- b) Clubhouse Llanfair Town Football Club Mount Field
- c) The Chapel Market Square

Purchase prices

The prices gained are set out below (covering a 5 year period for comparison:

No	Item	The Defib	The Defib	Defib	ST JOHNS	CALONS
		Shop	Pad	Warehouse		(5 years
						rental)
1	Defibrillator	£2,985.00	£2,844.00	£2,805.00	£2,694.00	£5,475.00
2	External Box	£1,560.00	£1,560.00	£1,425.00	£1,515.00	£1,560.00
3	Fitting	£900.00	£900.00	£900.00	£900.00	£900.00
4	5 years	£825.00	£825.00	£825.00	£825.00	£0.00
	maintenance					
	Totals	£6,270.00	£6,129.00	£5,955.00	£5,934.00	£7,935.00
	Per annum	£1,524.00	£1,226.80	£1,191.00	£1,186.80	£1,587.00

Rental option

There is a rental option from Calons which is made up of £1 per day (£365pa) per unit which covers the defibrillator and maintenance/monitoring.

The cabinet would be extra as above.

Maintenance

Annual maintenance and registration is approx. the same for each supplier at £165pa per Defibrillator.

Grant funding

Grant funding researched included:

Award for All Wales	Funding could be applied for but not likely to cover defibrillators.
Wind Farm Community Fund	Possible with applications due to be submitted in February 2022.
Community Defibrillator Fund	Applications are based upon population and Llanfair falls below what they are funding at present.
Welsh Government	Allocated £2.5m to provide defibrillators over Wales over the next 3 years. Fund no launched yet.
Sports Wales	Note sent seeking funds but no response.
Debits for churches have grant funding	Application made.

A lot of the funding comes via companies offering the grant against their product. Often the product is more expensive than others so it balances out.

Watergate Street Defibrillator telephone box

The above telephone box has a defib installed and working. The telephone box needs to be painted where the covering described below do not cover phone box. A picture of the proposed covering is for 2 sides (not the door opening or the blank bank panel. The inside of the telephone box could do with exposed paintwork added. The overall cost of the works is estimated as follows:

Full Panel option for telephone box

No	Item	Cost
1	Painting of telephone box	£300
2	Paint	Nil
3	Fitting panels to two sides	£200
4	Information panels to two sides	£150
	Total estimated cost	£650

Fill in panel's option for telephone box

No	Item	Cost
1	Painting of telephone box	£600
2	Paint	Nil
3	Fitting panels to two sides	Nil
4	Information panels to two sides	£150
	Total estimated cost	£750

Pictures of the two options

The two options (examples) are set out below:



Note the full panel option has been used elsewhere on more modern telephone boxes.

Robert Robinson Town Clerk October 2021

APPENDIX G

From CIIr Richard Derricutt

Dear Cllrs of Llanfair Caereinion,

We're asking the Government to choose life for our children and grandchildren, it's as simple as that.

As the latest Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change Report makes clear, we can no longer afford to wait. We must take strong, decisive action if we are to avert the most catastrophic effects of climate and ecological breakdown – and if, in Powys as in other predominantly rural areas, we are to ensure that farmers and local communities have the support of central government in moving to a sustainable future.

In this process, town and community councils have a crucial role to play. As representatives at a local level, their voices could have a decisive effect on our MPs' willingness to back the cross party Climate and Ecological Emergency (CEE) Bill themselves.

Were the CEE Bill to be made law, it would ensure that:

- 1) the climate and ecological emergencies are tackled together;
- 2)the UK does its real fair share in limiting global temperature rise to the most stringent end of the 2015 Paris Agreement i.e. to 1.5°C above the preindustrial average;
- 3)the UK's ecosystems are protected and restored with a focus on biodiversity, soils and natural carbon sinks (a matter of particular concern to Powvs):
- 4)the UK takes full responsibility for its total greenhouse gas emissions i.e. by including in the figures all of the emissions produced overseas to manufacture, transport and dispose of the goods and services we import and consume;
- 5)the UK takes full responsibility for its ecological footprint, so that we protect the health and resilience of ecosystems along both our domestic and our global supply chains;
- 6)an emergency strategy is produced by a Climate and Nature Assembly representative of the UK population working directly with Government and Parliament to find a way forward.

It would also be greatly appreciated if you could inform the CEE Bill Alliance of your decision by emailing joinus@ceebill.uk, and if you could write and request your principal authorities and MP to follow your example, if they have not already done so. A list of the bill's current sponsors can be found at https://www.ceebill.uk/allies_and_supporters.

Yours faithfully, Cllr Derricutt

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Motion to Llanfair Caereinion Council to Declare an Ecological Emergency and Support the Climate and Ecological Emergency Bill Preamble

Humans have already caused irreversible climate change, the impacts of which are being felt in the UK and around the world. Global temperatures have increased by 1.2°C from pre-industrial levels and the natural world has reached crisis point, with 28% of plants and animals currently threatened with extinction.

Unless we drastically change course, the world is set to exceed the Paris Agreement's safe 1.5°C limit. Pledges like the Paris Agreement and updated emissions targets are not legally binding. The gap between pledges and policies leaves the world on course for catastrophic warming of near 3%. As the 2018 report by the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) made clear, every half a degree makes a world of difference: severe climate impacts with 1.5°C of warming, such as extreme weather patterns causing flooding and heat waves, get significantly worse with 2°C. According to the IPCC, limiting heating to 1.5°C may still be possible with ambitious action from national and sub-national authorities, civil society, the private sector and local communities.

The UK is one of the most nature-depleted countries in the world and more than one in seven of our plants and animals face extinction and more than 40% are in decline. We have lost 95% of our hedgehogs. The UK needs a legally-enforceable nature target so that by 2030 nature is visibly and measurably on the path of recovery, in line with the Global Goal for Nature and the Leaders' Pledge for Nature

Council notes that:

- Many local authorities are playing an important role in the UK taking action to achieve net zero carbon emissions, and to protect and revitalise local wildlife and natural habitats.
- II) Parliament in May 2019 declared an Environment and Climate Emergency [and this Council has already declared a Climate [and Ecological] Emergency].
- III) There is a Bill before Parliament—the Climate and Ecological Emergency Bill (published as the "Climate and Ecology Bill"), which, if it became law, would require the government to develop a strategy to address the emergency that would ensure:
- A. the ecological emergency is tackled shoulder to shoulder with the climate crisis in a joined-up approach;
- B. the **Paris Agreement** is enshrined into law to ensure that UK does its real fair share to limit global temperature rise to the most stringent end of the Paris agreement -1.5°C.

- C. the Leaders Pledge for Nature is enshrined into law to ensure that the UK's ecosystems are protected and restored with a focus on biodiversity, soils and natural carbon sinks;
- D. the UK takes **full responsibility for our entire greenhouse gas footprint** (ie consumption emissions plus shipping, flights and land-based transport) by accounting for all of the emissions that take place overseas to manufacture, transport and dispose of the goods and services we import and consume;
- E. the UK takes **full responsibility for our ecological footprint** so that we protect health and resilience of ecosystems along both domestic and our global supply chains;
- F. an **independent**, **temporary Climate and Nature Assembly** is setup, representative of the UK's population, to engage with the UK Parliament and UK Government to help develop the **emergency strategy**.

Llanfair Caereinion Council therefore resolves to:

- I.**Declare** an ecological emergency;
- II. Support the Climate and Ecological Emergency Bill;
- III. Inform the local media of this decision;
- IV. Write an open letter to Craig Williams MP (shared with our residents through local and social media) urging them to sign up to support the Bill, or thanking them for doing so; and
 - Write to the CEE Bill Alliance, the organisers of the campaign for the Bill, expressing its support (joinus@ceebill.uk).

APPENDIX H

Climate change and Llanfair Caereinion



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2. Aims and objectives
3. The Need to seek Climate Change
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5. Background
6. Working with others
7. Action Plan and Monitoring
Appendix A – Action plan and programme

Robert A Robinson MBE FRICS FSLCC Town Clerk

November 2021

1. Introduction

Llanfair Caereinion Town Council at its Full Council Meeting held on

- a) Declared a 'Climate Emergency'
- b) Agreed to take action to improve the Town Councils own practices to reduce our own contribution to Climate Change.
- c) Agreed that the Town Council Action plan be adopted as per appendix A.

2. Aims and objectives

This document sets out the aims, objectives and policy of Llanfair Caereinion Town Council With regards to actions to help with the 'Climate Change' issues.

3. The Need to seek Climate Change

Extreme weather events this last few years have presented severe challenges to transport, agriculture and other services, though what we have experienced in the Llanfair Caereinion area is almost insignificant compared to many parts of the world.

Unless we act on climate, we collectively face the greatest threat to our local and global environment. According to October 2019 Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change predicts a1.5C increase in temperatures over the next few decades.

The report suggests that humanity has 12 years to deliver the major actions needed to turn this around (and that was in 2019), so we can avoid reaching tipping points where we no longer have the ability to avoid extreme weather events.

It is clear to many of us that we must act locally and globally.

Business as usual is clearly no longer an option.

We need local wisdom and action to increase our resilience and to prepare for the changes already in the system.

Llanfair Caereinion can play its role in preventing dangerous and extreme weather events in its own little way.

4. Our Aspiration

The Town Council has the aspiration to take action to:

- * help move towards Llanfair Caereinion being a net-zero carbon producer as soon as possible
- * increase local resilience to climate impacts
- * maximise local benefits of these actions in other sectors such as health, agriculture, transport and the economy
- * Call on Wales and UK Government to provide the support and resources to make this possible
- * Work with other organisations, such as Renew Wales, other Community Councils and Local businesses to help counter climate change

5. Background Information & links

Along with any changes due to the Natural Cycle it is clear Humans have already aided irreversible climate change, the impacts of which are being felt around the world.

Global temperatures have already increased by 1 degree Celsius from pre-industrial levels.

Atmospheric CO2 levels are above 400 parts per million (ppm). This far exceeds the 350 ppm deemed to be a safe level for humanity.

The IPCC's Special Report on Global Warming of 1.5°C, published in October, describes the enormous harm that a 2°C rise is likely to cause compared to a 1.5°C rise, and told us that limiting Global Warming to 1.5°C may still be possible with ambitious action from national and sub-national authorities, civil society, the private sector and local communities.

Councils around the world are responding by declaring a 'Climate Emergency' and committing resources to address this emergency.

6. Working with others

The Council will seek to work with others (where possible) which might include: Welsh Government, Powys County Council and other Communities around us.

7. Action Plan and Monitoring

8. Approved

The action plan is attached at appendix A.

The programme to achieve the items listed is noted next to each item. The Council shall receive a report quarterly on progress. This Policy shall form part of the Annual Report issued in September each year.

Signed	Cllr W Williams Chair
Signed	Cllr I Davies Vice Chair
Signed	Robert A Robinson Town Clerk
Dated	

Llanfair Caereinion Town Council approved this document on

APPENDIX A

CLIMATE CHANGE ACTION PLAN

No	Activity	Current situation	Planned actions	Priority
1	Youth lead To involve the youth and take their advice on the activities proposed to help with restricting global warming.	There is a need for youth involvement in the future.	A Youth Council is to be set up with the High School and possibly the new Junior School.	HIGH
2	Drive less Walk, bike, car-pool or take mass transit more often. You'll save one pound of carbon dioxide for every mile you don't drive! Use vehicles less.	Most of the Council's work is local so can be done on foot. A car is only used where necessary.	To continue seeking a reduction in car use where possible.	MED
3	Recycle more You can save 2,400 pounds of carbon dioxide per year by recycling just half of your business waste.	Limited recycling taking place with the Council litter bins going to normal rubbish.	A planned recycling procedure to be put in place in the office and where possible when disposing of Council rubbish.	HIGH
4	Drinks cups Use bio-degradable cups for Council and Buildings use	When the Council hosts events either bio-degradable cups or rewashable cups are used.	This policy to continue	HIGH
5	Water in a bottle Provide a drinking water station to help encourage people using re-usable bottles.	Provision in the Town is required for a water in a bottle facility.	The provision of a central water point to be put in place. The site to be registered.	MED
6	Avoid products with a lot of packaging You can save 1,200 pounds of carbon dioxide if you reduce your garbage by 10 percent.	When ordering products little attention has been made to the packaging issues.	Where possible to seek purchase of goods with either less or limited packaging.	LOW
7	Plant a tree A single tree will absorb one ton of carbon dioxide over its lifetime.	The Council looks after a woodland area. There is limited activity to plant new trees.	The Council is to seek to provide and arrange for one new tree to be planted each year.	HIGH
8	Wildlife To protect wildlife and in particular control cutting of hedgerows.	Hedge cutting and grass cutting is completed in line with guidelines on nesting etc.	The Council to continue this practise.	HIGH
9	Wild planting To protect where possible habitats which support wild growth.	To leave areas to grow wild where appropriate. To remove weeds where necessary only.	To continue with leaving areas of wild growth where possible.	HIGH

No	Activity	Current situation	Planned actions	Priority
10	Pollinating To manage the Council facilities to ensure pollinating is supported.	Areas of appropriate planting maintained.	Continue current practises and also introduce a pollinating garden or gardens.	MED
11	Turn off electronic devices Simply turning off your television, DVD player, stereo, and computer, when you're not using them, will save you thousands of pounds of carbon dioxide a year.	The Council has no office so to date has no way of doing this. Staff are encouraged to turn off equipment at the end of the day.	The Council has a new office and all equipment will be turned off at the end of the period of use.	MED
12	Efficient equipment When equipment is renewed to replace with energy efficient products.	The Council has not considered this aspect.	All equipment must where possible be replaced with energy efficient products.	MED
13	Renewable Energy Support renewable energy schemes.	The Council supports in principle renewable energy but subject to constraints.	The Council will continue to support renewable energy schemes but only to an extent where any power lines are not intrusive or power is carried on 440kva power lines.	MED
14	Publicity Make the public aware of the Council's actions and consider how to promote the global warming issues.	The Council has not taken this into account to date.	Where possible the Council will promote its Climate Change Policy.	LOW
15	Monitoring Ensure monitoring of the policy so that progress is made.		The Council will have a short report each quarter with a full assessment to be contained in the Annual Report.	HIGH

Key:

Red – top priority (asap)
Blue – medium priority (within a year)
Green – low priority (within 3 years