

Llanwrthwl Community Council

Report for Year 2022-23

Llanwrthwl Community Council is situated in Mid Wales, Powys represented by seven members. The Community Council covers a vast area of upland and arable land and woodland which comprises of 7.795.95 hectares with a population of approximately of 191. This equates to a population density of 0.02 persons per hectare.

Meetings are held in Llanwrthwl Village Hall which is the venue where other organisations meet.

This year has been unique as the Platinum Jubilee of HM Queen Elizabeth 11 was an international celebration marking the 70th anniversary of her accession on 6th February 1952. The 1st British monarch to ever celebrate one.

On 3rd June an outdoor party arranged by the Village Hall Committee took place, which was well attended by villagers of all ages. Scrumptious food was served and entertainment was provided by some talented local musicians.

Unfortunately, the Queen passed away on 8th September in Balmoral aged 96 years. During the mourning period meetings and events were postponed and the Village Hall remained closed.

COMMUNITY COUNCIL'S FINANCE

The Community Council's income is provided by a precept which is part of the council tax paid by each household and collected by Powys County Council. The precept is paid to the community council in three parts during the months of April, August and December. Expenses of the community Council include Clerk's Salary, Insurance, Internal and External Audit Fees, Membership to One Voice Wales etc. Precept for 2022/23 was £2500.00

AUDIT

Administered its own affairs effectively which will be subject to an internal and external audit and ensured good governance.

ASSET

Llanwrthwl Village Hall (managed by an independent management committee)

AUDIT OF FUNCTIONS

- * Provided financial support of £750.00 to the Village Hall to assist with running costs
- * Donated £70.00 to St. Gwrthwl's Church and Penuel URC
- * Supported residents (in conjunction with Llanafanfawr Community Council) by administering and assisting with the possibility of a digital broadband project supplied by Broadway Partners LTD
- * Responded appropriately to all planning issues requiring their consideration on time.

* Road issues which were of concern to residents – notably in respect of highways issues including potholes, blocked drains, speeding of traffic, cutting of grass verges and overhanging branches to improve visibility, continue to be reported to Powys County Council via our County Councillor.

- Representation was provided to The Caerllan Trust and The Smithfield Trust.
- All members opted out of the proposed allowance of £150.00 and notified the Proper Officer.

* Continue to support the Rights of Way volunteer group to monitor and improve the condition of footpaths and bridleways in Llanwrthwl

AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

- To act as a link between public sector organisations and the community on a range of subjects such as the environment, planning matters, community events and safety.
- To represent the views of the community.
- Identify concerns and seek to develop solutions from other bodies.
- Support if need identified community projects and groups.
- The impact of climate change remains an ongoing concern