

TUESDAY, 5 DECEMBER 2023

TO: ALL MEMBERS OF THE CABINET

I HEREBY SUMMON YOU TO ATTEND A **MULTI LOCATION MEETING** OF THE **CABINET** WHICH WILL BE HELD IN THE **CHAMBER - COUNTY HALL, CARMARTHEN. SA31 1JP AND REMOTELY AT 10.00 AM. ON MONDAY, 11TH DECEMBER, 2023** FOR THE TRANSACTION OF THE BUSINESS OUTLINED ON THE ATTACHED AGENDA

Wendy Walters

CHIEF EXECUTIVE

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**This is a multi-location meeting.
Members can attend in person at the venue detailed above or remotely via the
Zoom link which is provided separately.**

**The meeting can be viewed on the Authority's website via the following link:-
<https://carmarthenshire.public-i.tv/core/portal/home>**

Wendy Walters Prif Weithredwr, *Chief Executive*,
Neuadd y Sir, Caerfyrddin. SA31 1JP
County Hall, Carmarthen. SA31 1JP

CABINET

MEMBERSHIP – 10 MEMBERS

COUNCILLOR	PORTFOLIO
Councillor Darren Price	Leader
Councillor Linda Evans	Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Homes
Councillor Glynog Davies	Education and Welsh Language
Councillor Ann Davies	Rural Affairs, Community Cohesion and Planning Policy
Councillor Hazel Evans	Regeneration, Leisure, Culture and Tourism
Councillor Philip Hughes	Organisation and Workforce
Councillor Alun Lenny	Resources
Councillor Edward Thomas	Transport, Waste and Infrastructure Services
Councillor Jane Tremlett	Health and Social Services
Councillor Aled Vaughan Owen	Climate Change, Decarbonisation and Sustainability

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THE REPORTS RELATING TO THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE NOT FOR PUBLICATION AS THEY CONTAIN EXEMPT INFORMATION AS DEFINED IN PARAGRAPH 14 OF PART 4 OF SCHEDULE 12A TO THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 AS AMENDED BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) (VARIATION) (WALES) ORDER 2007. IF, FOLLOWING THE APPLICATION OF THE PUBLIC INTEREST TEST, THE CABINET RESOLVES PURSUANT TO THE ACT TO CONSIDER THESE ITEMS IN PRIVATE, THE PUBLIC WILL BE EXCLUDED FROM THE MEETING DURING SUCH CONSIDERATION.
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CABINET

MONDAY 13TH NOVEMBER 2023

PRESENT: Councillor D. Price (Chair) (In Person)

Councillors (In Person):

C.A. Davies

L.D. Evans

G. Davies

H.A.L. Evans

A. Lenny

E.G. Thomas

J. Tremlett

A. Vaughan-Owen

Also in attendance as an observer (Remotely):

Councillor D.M. Cundy

Also Present (In Person):

W. Walters, Chief Executive

C. Moore, Director of Corporate Services

J. Morgan, Director of Community Services

G. Morgans, Director of Education & Children's Services

A. Williams, Director of Place & Infrastructure

I. Jones, Head of Leisure

J. Jones, Head of Regeneration, Policy & Digital

L. Rees-Jones, Head of Administration and Law

C. Higginson, Media Manager

M. Roberts, Asset Management Surveyor

K.J. Thomas, Democratic Services Officer

R. Morris, Member Support Officer

D. Hall-Jones, Member Support Officer

S. Rees, Simultaneous Translator

Also Present (Remotely):

M. Evans Thomas, Principal Democratic Services Officer (Note Taker)

M. Runeckles, Member Support Officer

Chamber, County Hall, Carmarthen and remotely : 10.00 am - 10.30 am

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

An apology for absence was received from Councillor P.M. Hughes.

2. DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST

There were no declarations of personal interests.

3. TO SIGN AS A CORRECT RECORD THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CABINET HELD ON THE 30TH OCTOBER 2023

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting of the Cabinet held on the 30th October, 2023 be signed as a correct record.

Note: These minutes are subject to confirmation at the next meeting.

4. QUESTIONS ON NOTICE BY MEMBERS

The Chair advised that no questions on notice had been submitted by members.

5. PUBLIC QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

The Chair advised that no public questions had been received.

6. LEISURE, CULTURE AND OUTDOOR RECREATION STRATEGY

The Cabinet considered a report detailing a new 10-year Leisure, Culture and Outdoor Recreation Strategy for Carmarthenshire which was developed to provide strategic direction for the service moving forward.

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that the 10 Year Leisure, Culture and Outdoor Recreation Strategy for Carmarthenshire be endorsed.

7. COUNCIL'S REVENUE BUDGET MONITORING REPORT

The Cabinet considered the revenue budget monitoring report which provided the latest budgetary position as at 31st August 2023 in respect of 2023/24.

Overall, the monitoring report forecast an overspend for the year at departmental level of £8,730k, with a forecast overspend on the Authority's net revenue budget of £6,098k.

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED

7.1 that the Budget Monitoring report be received and the budgetary position and appropriate corrective action taken be noted;

7.2 that, in respect of significant overspends on specific budget areas, Chief Officers and Heads of Service critically review options available to them to address the ongoing impact.

8. CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2023-2024 UPDATE

The Cabinet received a report which provided an update on the latest budgetary position for the 2023/24 capital programme, as at the 31st August 2023 and detailed new projects and virements for noting and Cabinet approval. Appendix A to the report indicated a forecasted net spend of £91,370k compared with a working net budget of £142,842k, giving a -£51,472k variance.

The net budget included the original H.R.A. and General Fund capital programmes approved by Council on 1st March, 2023 and slippage from 2022/23. Some of the budgets have also been amended to account for

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differences in actual grant allocations compared with the anticipated allocations at the time the programme was approved and new grant awards received during the year to date. The main variances within each department were detailed in Appendix B to the report.

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED

- 8.1 that the capital programme update report 2023/24 be received;**
- 8.2 that the new projects as detailed within the report be noted and agreed, to be funded from current year capital charges underspends.**

9. NATIONAL COLLABORATIVE ARRANGEMENTS FOR WELSH (LOCAL AUTHORITY) ADOPTION AND FOSTERING SERVICES

The Cabinet considered a report providing an update on the proposals for developing the governance and enabling for the National Adoption Service for Wales as it assumes responsibility for Foster Wales 2. The report also sought to achieve agreement to signing the Joint Committee Agreement for the proposed Joint Committee.

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED

- 9.1 that the update report be noted;**
- 9.2 to agree that the Authority signs the Joint Committee Agreement for the National Adoption Service and Foster Wales.**

10. ANY OTHER ITEMS OF BUSINESS THAT BY REASONS OF SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES THE CHAIR DECIDES SHOULD BE CONSIDERED AS A MATTER OF URGENCY PURSUANT TO SECTION 100B(4)(B) OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 1972

The Chair advised that there were no items of urgent business.

11. EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED, pursuant to the Local Government Act 1972, as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) (Wales) Order 2007, that the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items as the reports contained exempt information as defined in paragraph 14 of Part 4 of Schedule 12A to the Act.

Note: These minutes are subject to confirmation at the next meeting.

12. DISPOSAL OF PARC DEWI SANT, JOBSWELL ROAD, CARMARTHEN

Following the application of the public interest test it was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED**, pursuant to the Act referred to in Minute Item 11 above, to consider this matter in private, with the public excluded from the meeting as disclosure would put the Authority at a material disadvantage in any subsequent negotiations with third parties and potentially harm the public purse.

The Cabinet considered a report detailing proposals for the disposal of Parc Dewi Sant, Jobswell Road, Carmarthen.

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to proceed with the recommendation as detailed in the report.

CHAIR

DATE

Note: These minutes are subject to confirmation at the next meeting.

Cabinet 11th December 2023

TO ENTER IN TO A DEED OF VARIATION TO AMEND SCHEDULE 3 “TERMS OF REFERENCE” OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE AGREEMENT FOR PARTNERIAETH

Purpose: To give the 3 Individual Constituent Authorities the choice of nominating their Leader or the Cabinet Member with the Education Portfolio as the voting member on the Joint Committee.

Recommendations / key decisions required:

1. That the choice of voting member for Partneriaeth’s Joint Committee be left to the individual Constituent Authorities.
2. That the voting member for Carmarthenshire County Council shall be the Cabinet Member for Education and Welsh Language.
3. That the non-voting member for Carmarthenshire County Council shall be the Leader.

Reasons:

To provide flexibility

Cabinet Decision Required	YES
Council Decision Required	NO

CABINET MEMBER PORTFOLIO HOLDER:- Cllr. Darren Price / Cllr. Glynog Davies

Directorate: Chief Executive’s Name of Head of Service: Linda Rees-Jones Report Author: Linda Rees-Jones	Designations: Head of Administration & Law & Monitoring Officer Head of Administration & Law and Monitoring Officer	Tel: 01267 224010 Email addresses: LRJones@carmarthenshire.gov.uk
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**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
CABINET
11TH DECEMBER 2023**

VOTING MEMBER ON PARTNERIAETH JOINT COMMITTEE

1. On the 20th April 2022 the Authority entered into an Agreement with Pembrokeshire County Council and The Council of the City and Council of Swansea for the establishment of a Joint Committee to support the delivery of educational improvements through Partneriaeth Addysg De Orllewin Cymru / South West Wales Education Partnership” (“Partneriaeth”)
2. The Terms of Reference of Partneriaeth (Schedule 3 of the Joint Committee Agreement) provide that governance shall be via 3 voting members who shall be the Leaders of the 3 Councils. Leaders are inevitably involved in many meetings relating to their own individual Authorities business, partnerships, joint committees and regional working structures, which can lead to many clashing commitments diary wise. As such, at its meeting of the 6th October 2023 Partneriaeth agreed that it would be preferable to have some flexibility for the 3 Constituent Authorities to nominate their Cabinet Member with the Education Portfolio as their voting member instead of their Leader, should they so wish.
3. This would comply with the Guidance on Education Consortia issued by the Welsh Government when they were established – “National Model for Regional Working” (2014) – which advised that “the membership of a joint committee will comprise of the Leader of each constituent local authority or education portfolio holder – they will be the decision making body and the elected members will have full voting rights”.
4. Where the Leader is nominated as the voting member the Cabinet Member with the Education Portfolio shall be nominated as the non voting member. Where the Cabinet Member with the Education Portfolio is nominated as the voting member of Partneriaeth each Constituent Authority shall appoint a non-voting member (who may be the Leader, or A N Other Member).
5. Under cl. 4.4 of the Joint Committee Agreement any amendment to the Joint Committee Agreement is a matter reserved to the Councils. The Cabinet is therefore asked to approve this amendment to Schedule 3 of the Joint Committee Agreement – “Terms of Reference” - and to nominate the Cabinet Member for Education and Welsh Language as its voting member, and the Leader as its non-voting member.
6. The Deed of Variation to give effect to these amendments is attached, and the amendments to Schedule 3 shown in red.

DETAILED REPORT ATTACHED?

NO

IMPLICATIONS

Policy, Crime & Disorder and Equalities	Legal	Finance	ICT	Risk Management Issues	Staffing Implications	Physical Assets
NONE	YES	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE

Legal

Amendments to the Joint Committee Agreement – and in this case, to Schedule 3 Terms of Reference of the Joint Committee – is a matter reserved to the Constituent Councils.

CONSULTATIONS

I confirm that the appropriate consultations have taken in place and the outcomes are as detailed below

Signed: Linda Rees-Jones, Head of Administration and Law

1. Scrutiny Committee request for pre-determination

N/A

2. Local Member(s) - N/A

3. Community / Town Council – N/A

4. Relevant Partners - N/A

5. Staff Side Representatives and other Organisations - N/A

CABINET MEMBER PORTFOLIO HOLDER(S) AWARE/CONSULTED YES	Both the Leader and the Cabinet Member for Education and Welsh Language support the amendment in the interests of flexibility.
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Section 100D Local Government Act, 1972 – Access to Information
List of Background Papers used in the preparation of this report:

Title of Document	File Ref No.	Locations that the papers are available for public inspection
Agreement for the establishment of a Joint Committee To Support the Delivery of Educational Improvements through Partneriaeth Addysg De Orllewin Cymru / South West Wales Education Parnership	N/A	
Minutes of meeting of Partneriaeth Joint Committee of 6th October 2023	N/A	Website

DATED

2023

DEED OF VARIATION OF AGREEMENT DATED XXXXX TO CONSTITUTE A JOINT COMMITTEE TO SUPPORT THE DELIVERY OF EDUCATIONAL IMPROVEMENTS THROUGH PARTNERIAETH ADDYSG DE ORLLEWIN CYMRU

between

(1) CARMARTHENSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

AND

(2) PEMBROKESHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

AND

(3) THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF SWANSEA

This deed is dated 2023

Parties

(1) **CARMARTHENSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL** of County Hall, Castle Hill, Carmarthen, SA31 1JP ("Carmarthenshire")

(2) **PEMBROKESHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL** of County Hall, Haverfordwest, Pembrokeshire, SA61 1TP ("Pembrokeshire")

(3) **THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF SWANSEA** of Civic Centre, Oystermouth Road, Swansea SA 1 3SN ("Swansea")

together referred to as the Parties or individually, the Party, howsoever the context requires.

Background

(A) On the 20th April 2022 the Parties entered into an Agreement ("the Agreement") to constitute a Joint Committee to support the delivery of educational improvements through Partneriaeth Addysg De Orllewin Cymru / South West Wales Education Partnership ("the Joint Committee")

- (B) The Terms of Reference of the Joint Committee are set out in Schedule 3 of the Agreement, and more particularly para 3.1 provides that the voting members of the Joint Committee shall be the Leaders of the Parties.

- (C) Due to frequent conflicting demands on the Leaders' time the Parties wish to amend the Agreement as set out in this deed with effect from xxxxx (**Variation Date**) to the intent and purpose that the Parties may nominate either their Leader or the Cabinet Member with the Education portfolio as the voting member of the Joint Committee, and xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx.

Agreed terms

Terms defined in the Agreement

In this deed, expressions defined in the Agreement and used in this deed have the meaning set out in the Agreement. The rules of interpretation set out in the Agreement apply to this deed.

1. Variation

1.1 With effect from the Variation Date the Parties agree that Schedule 3 of the Agreement shall be replaced by the Schedule 3 set out in the Appendix to this Deed of Variation

1.2 Except as set out herein, the Agreement shall continue in full force and effect.

2. Governing law

This deed and any dispute or claim (including non-contractual disputes or claims) arising out of or in connection with it or its subject matter or formation shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the law of England and Wales.

3. Jurisdiction

3.1 Each Party irrevocably agrees that the courts of England and Wales shall have exclusive jurisdiction to settle any dispute or claim (including non-contractual disputes or claims) arising out of or in connection with this deed or its subject matter or formation.

APPENDIX

SCHEDULE 3

Terms of Reference of the Joint Committee

1 Governance

- 1.1 The Leaders or the Cabinet Member with responsibility for Education as nominated by each of the three Councils are the nominated voting members of the Joint Committee

2 Purpose

2.1 The Joint Committee has ultimate responsibility and accountability for decisions taken in relation to the operation of the PARTNERIAETH.

2.2 The Joint Committee's functions shall include:

- (a) Implementing appropriate governance structures for the PARTNERIAETH.
- (b) Developing and implementing the strategic planning for the PARTNERIAETH to include approval and adoption of the Business Plan.
- (c) Overall responsibility for the performance monitoring.
- (d) Approving the Annual Budget and the statement of accounts, agreeing the basis on which the Annual Budget will be funded and any change to the basis for calculation of each Council's Contribution to the Annual Budget. The approval of the first Annual Budget shall be a matter reserved to the Councils in accordance with Schedule 8. All subsequent Annual Budgets will be approved by the Joint Committee taking recognition of the current economic climate and pressure on the public sector in the applicable year, and on the proviso that the approval shall not result in any Annual Budget exceeding the previous years Annual Budget by more than 5 %.
- (e) Approving the internal audit plan, internal audit charter and receiving the Head of Internal Audit annual assurance option.
- (f) Receiving external audit reports, including the audit of accounts report (ISA 260)
- (g) Approving the annual governance statement
- (h) Appointing the Lead Council for each of the Functions
- (i) Responsibility for resource allocation and ensuring optimal staffing levels to achieve the Objects.
- (j) Appointing the Lead Officers as required by clause 10.11.
- (k) Appointing (in consultation with the Strategic Group) the PARTNERIAETH Lead Officer.
- (l) To receive and consider reports and recommendations from the PARTNERIAETH Lead Officer, the Strategic Group or the Joint Scrutiny Councillor Group.
- (m) Strategic communications.
- (n) Subject to the prior approval of the Councils, receiving and considering Withdrawal Notices and approving the Liabilities Schedule for a withdrawing Council.

3 Membership

3.1 Each of the Councils shall appoint its Leader or Cabinet Member with responsibility for Education as a member of the Joint Committee and all such members shall have full voting rights.

3.2 Each of the Councils shall also appoint a non voting member of the Joint Committee, who shall - if they have not been nominated as the voting member of the Joint Committee under para 3.1 above - be the Cabinet Member with responsibility for Education.

3.3 In the event that the voting member is unable to attend all or part of a meeting of the Joint Committee the relevant non voting member will automatically substitute for the voting member and shall be able to vote in their place. In the event that the non voting member is unable to attend the meeting as the voting member then the nominated voting member can appoint an alternative substitute with full voting rights for the period that they are substituting for the voting member.

3.4 In the event that that the non voting member is either substituting for the voting member in accordance with paragraph 3.3 or is otherwise unable to attend the meeting of the Joint Committee then that non voting member may appoint a substitute to attend meetings of the Joint Committee in a non-voting capacity.

3.5 The Joint Committee shall be entitled to co-opt such additional persons to the Joint Committee as non-voting members as the Joint Committee sees fit and on terms to be determined by the Committee.

3.6 The co-option of any person as a non-voting member shall be subject to that person confirming in writing to the monitoring officer that he or she agrees to comply with the Co-opted Member Protocol in Schedule 7. No co-option shall take effect until such confirmation has been given.

3.7 The following officers shall attend the meetings of the Joint Committee and shall not have a vote:

(i) The Chief Executive of each of the Councils with the Lead Chief Executive to support the Chair and advise members.

(ii) The Director of Education of each of the Councils with the Lead Director to provide technical advice to the members.

(iii) The PARTNERIAETH Lead Officer who shall provide a report dealing with the progress in attaining the Objects including an update on the Business Plan.

(iv) The Chair of the Joint Scrutiny Councillor Group with observer status only.

(v) The Lead Council with responsibility for Finance will arrange for its S.151 officer (or a deputy) to attend to report on the Annual Budget, Statement of Accounts and any other financial matters.

(vi) The Chair of the Strategic Group to present and advise on reports from the Strategic Group.

(vii) The monitoring officer and section 151 officer of each of the Councils shall be entitled to attend meetings of the Joint Committee as an advisor dependant on the subject matter of agenda items.

3.8 The Joint Committee may invite officers of the Councils or from outside bodies to attend committee meetings to present reports or to participate in Joint Committee business or to observe proceedings. These officers will not be members of the Joint Committee, will not form part of the quorum and will not be entitled to vote.

4 Chair

4.1 The Chair of the Joint Committee shall be one of the voting members appointed to the Joint Committee.

4.2 The Chair of the Joint Committee shall be elected for a two year term in the first instance, reviewed annually thereafter.

4.3 The two **voting members** of the remaining local authorities shall be appointed as Deputy Chairs.

5 Voting

5.1 Each member of the Joint Committee shall have one vote. Decisions of the Joint Committee shall be made by simple majority vote. In the event of an equality of votes, the Chair of the Joint Committee shall have a casting vote. In the absence of the Chair or in the event of the Chair withdrawing from the meeting for a particular agenda item, then the Joint Committee shall determine which of the Deputy Chairs shall sit as chair pro tem and that Deputy Chair shall have the casting vote for such period as the Chair is absent from the meeting.

6 Proceedings of Meetings

6.1 The rules of procedure in the constitution of the Lead Council responsible for administration of the Joint Committee shall apply to meetings of the Joint Committee.

6.2 The **voting and non voting members** of the Councils shall be subject to the codes of conduct of their respective Councils.

6.3 Co-opted members of the Joint Committee who are not members of the Councils shall be subject to the rules of conduct in Schedule 7 and shall sign an undertaking in the form set out at Schedule 7 to confirm that they shall abide by those rules of conduct.

7 Quorum

7.1 The quorum for a meeting of the Joint Committee shall be one representative with voting rights from each of the three Councils.

8 Frequency

8.1 The Joint Committee shall meet on a regular basis at a frequency to be determined by the Joint Committee. Additional meetings may be called by the Chair on at least seven clear days' notice issued through the Central Team.

9 Allowances

9.1 No allowances shall be paid.

10 Servicing

10.1 The Lead Council with responsibility for administration of the Joint Committee shall organise appropriate servicing for the meetings.

11 Sub groups

11.1 The Joint Committee by agreement can introduce sub-groups or task & finish groups for any matters which they feel would be better dealt with in this way. These subgroups shall report to the Joint Committee with any recommendations or draft papers or reports.

12 Review

12.1 The terms of reference of the Joint Committee shall be reviewed annually and any recommendations for variation shall be referred to the Councils for determination

This document has been executed as a deed and is delivered and takes effect on the date stated at the beginning of it.

Executed as a Deed by affixing)
the COMMON SEAL of)
CARMARTHENSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL)

In the presence of

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the COMMON SEAL of)
PEMBROKESHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL)

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the COMMON SEAL of)
THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY
AND COUNTY OF SWANSEA)

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CABINET

11TH DECEMBER 2023

Procurement Strategy 2023-2028

Purpose:

- The Procurement Strategy provides a vision for procurement across the Council for the next 5 years.

Recommendations / key decisions required:

- That Cabinet considers and endorses the draft Procurement Strategy 2023-2028.

Reasons:

- To enable Cabinet to comment on the content of the draft Strategy and its aims.

Cabinet decision required: NO

Council decision required: NO

Cabinet Member Portfolio Member: Cllr. Alun Lenny (Resources)

Directorate:
Corporate Services

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
CABINET
11TH DECEMBER 2023

Procurement Strategy 2023-2028

The aim of this Procurement Strategy is to have a framework in place so that procurement and commissioning decisions play a key role in supporting the delivery of the aims of the Council's Corporate Strategy and the Cabinet's Vision Statement.

Corporate Procurement Unit's Priorities:

The Unit has identified the following key priorities for the Corporate Procurement Unit over the next 5 years:



DETAILED REPORT ATTACHED ?	YES
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IMPLICATIONS

I confirm that other than those implications which have been agreed with the appropriate Directors / Heads of Service and are referred to in detail below, there are no other implications associated with this report.

Signed: Helen Pugh – Head of Revenues & Financial Compliance

Policy, Crime & Disorder and Equalities	Legal	Finance	ICT	Risk Management Issues	Staffing Implications	Physical Assets
YES	YES	YES	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE

1. Policy, Crime & Disorder and Equalities

The Corporate Procurement Unit needs to ensure that all Procurement activity undertaken during the life of the Council’s Procurement Strategy is delivered with the Well-Being of Future Generations Act at the forefront of all decisions.

The Unit promotes equality and diversity in line with the Equality Act 2010 and promotes the Welsh Language Standards through its tendering activity and awarded contracts.

2. Legal

The Council’s procurement activity is currently governed by the Public Contracts Regulations (2015). The new Procurement Act 2023 received Royal Assent in October 2023 with the new regime expected to come into force in October 2024.

3. Finance

The Council’s Procurement Strategy aims to support departments in delivering best value for money.

CONSULTATIONS

I confirm that the appropriate consultations have taken in place and the outcomes are as detailed below:

Signed: **Helen Pugh – Head of Revenues & Financial Compliance**

1. Scrutiny Committee request for pre-determination

N/A

If yes include the following information:

Scrutiny Committee

Date the report was considered:

Scrutiny Committee Outcome/Recommendations:

2. Local Member(s) – N/A

3. Community / Town Council – N/A

4. Relevant Partners – N/A

5. Staff Side Representatives and other Organisations – N/A

Cabinet Member Portfolio Holder(s) Aware / Consulted:

YES

**Section 100D Local Government Act, 1972 – Access to Information
List of Background Papers used in the preparation of this report:**

THESE ARE DETAILED BELOW:

Title of Document	File Ref No. / Locations that the papers are available for public inspection
Carmarthenshire County Council's Procurement Strategy 2018-2022	<p>Cymraeg https://einpobl.sirgar.llyw.cymru/media/654962/ntcarmcc-cfp-procurement-strategic-procurement-strategy-cpu-strategy-final-versions-2018-strategaeth-caffael-csg-ft.pdf</p> <p>English https://ourpeople.carmarthenshire.gov.wales/media/654963/ntcarmcc-cfp-procurement-strategic-procurement-strategy-cpu-strategy-final-versions-2018-ccc-procurement-strategy-fv.pdf</p>
The Public Contracts Regulations 2015	<p>https://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukxi/2015/102/contents/made</p>

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Well-being of Future
Generations (Wales) Act
2015

Cymraeg

<https://www.llyw.cymru/llesiant-cenedlaethaur-dyfodol-cymru>

English

<https://www.gov.wales/well-being-of-future-generations-wales>

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Strategaeth Gaffael

Procurement Strategy

2023-2028



sirgar.llyw.cymru
carmarthenshire.gov.wales

Foreword

Cabinet Board Member

It gives me great pleasure to introduce Carmarthenshire County Council's Procurement Strategy for 2023-2028 which supports the aspirations of the Cabinet's Vision Statement. We are determined to support local business and economic growth, tackle poverty and meet our pledge to become a net zero carbon local authority by 2030.

This new strategy offers an appropriate time to reflect on the progress made by our commitment to a more strategic approach to procuring our goods, services and works, and to look ahead during this very challenging period.

We intend to enhance the Council's procurement activities by ensuring that arrangements are in place to help officers to work closer together to deliver innovative solutions that offer value for money, are sustainable, efficient and ultimately improve the well-being of the residents of Carmarthenshire.

Cllr. Alun Lenny
Cabinet Member for Resources

Director of Corporate Resources

This revised strategy outlines our priorities for 2023-2028 and outlines how the Council's procurement activities will continue to contribute to achieving the Council's objectives over the next five years.

Carmarthenshire County Council spends approximately £311 million annually with external contractors, suppliers and service providers and as officers, we have a duty to ensure that this spending represents value for money for the residents of the County through compliant, efficient and effective procurement policies and practices.

In addition, the Council must also ensure that it is able to plan for and adapt to the ever-changing legislative landscape, including the much-anticipated reform of the Public Procurement Regulations which is due to be implemented in 2024. The Council must also continue to procure against a backdrop of economic and geo-political uncertainty where world events can have significant impacts on our local procurement activities. It is imperative that we are able to react and adapt to such challenges.

As the Director with responsibility for this key service area, I recognise that innovative and compliant procurement practices continue to play a fundamental role in achieving the Council's vision, supporting local businesses whilst protecting our front-line services and supporting our County in a socially conscious and a sustainable manner.

Chris Moore
Director of Corporate Services

Introduction

What is procurement?

“The process whereby organisations meet their needs for goods, services, works and utilities in a way that achieves value for money on a whole life basis in terms of generating benefits not only to the organisation, but also to society and the economy, whilst minimising damage to the environment.”¹



Our vision

“To apply strategic thinking to all our procurement activities that supports local delivery.”

Since our last Procurement strategy (2018-2022) we have witnessed unprecedented challenges across the UK. From the UK’s exit from the European Union in 2020 and the Covid 19 Pandemic, we have had to continuously adapt our approach to procurement to deliver quality services and value for money. All whilst experiencing extremely volatile supply markets which have seen spiralling costs and uncertainty of supply. The effects of the pandemic will continue to be seen for years to come.

In 2024 we will witness a ‘once in a generation’ procurement legislation reform. This will bring significant change in how we procure, along with exciting opportunities to further place value for money and community benefits at the heart of our procurement activities. Increased transparency requirements will hold us further to account for the decisions we make, the impact they have on suppliers and the Public and the economy.

During the last 4 years we have learnt to adapt, and in times of uncertainty comes greater flexibility and willingness to try different approaches. We will continue to deliver innovative, sustainable, and compliant procurement solutions.

Our purpose

This Procurement Strategy sets out our goals and objectives to help achieve our vision of applying strategic thinking to all procurement activity. We aim to do so whilst delivering sustainable and socially responsible procurement and considering the long-term social, economic, environmental, and cultural well-being of Carmarthenshire.

¹ Wales Public Procurement Policy Statement 2015.

We will ensure our spend is compliant with our Contract Procedure Rules and the Public Contracts regulations whilst raising the profile of procurement to influence early planning for the delivery of effective service provision.

Through the promotion of robust Contract Management practices, we will ensure our contracts are performing as expected.

We will support the Council in achieving its wider aims and objectives as set out within its Corporate Strategy (2022 – 2027) and the Cabinet Vision Statement (2022-2027). We will promote the ‘Think Carmarthenshire First’ approach widely, encouraging officers, wherever possible, to seek quotations from local suppliers. We will continue to support local businesses, actively working to remove barriers facing SMEs and targeting support towards specific tendering opportunities across the County and promoting our forward work programme in advance.

Our Governance and Leadership

The Corporate Procurement Unit (CPU) is based within the Revenues and Financial Compliance division of the Corporate Services department. CPU are currently a team of 12 Procurement Officers, 10 of which hold the professional procurement qualification - CIPS (Chartered Institute of Procurement & Supply).

We sit in the Corporate Services Department and report to the Corporate Performance & Resources Scrutiny Committee.

We are represented in a range of regional and national procurement steering and working groups to keep abreast on changing policies and to share best practice across all sectors.

All this is set out within the regulation in the Council Constitution through the Contract Procedure Rules and Financial Regulations, which in turn fits with the current UK Public Contract Regulations (2015).

Statutory Context

Procurement is currently governed by the **Public Sector Contracts Regulations 2015**, but in 2024 Procurement will be subject to considerable legislative reform. **The Procurement Bill** will bring significant change in how we procure, placing value for money, public benefit, transparency, and integrity at the heart of our procurement system.

Further legislation which will impact on how we procure is the **Social Partnership and Public Procurement (Wales) Act 2023** which came into law in May 2023 and the pending **Health Services Procurement (Wales) Bill**. The first will require us to legally consider socially responsible public procurement when carrying out procurement activities, to set objectives in relation to well-being goals, and to publish a procurement strategy. The second will change the way healthcare services are procured in Wales.

Policy Drivers

Through the delivery of this Strategy we will ensure a number of the expected outcomes identified within the **Council's Corporate Strategy (2022-2027)** can be achieved which in turn will underpin the delivery of our The Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) (WCFG) Act (2015) and our Well-being Objectives.

The WCFG Act requires each public body to carry out sustainable development, which means the process of improving the economic, social, environmental and cultural well-being of Wales. The role of procurement is an important part of how a public body allocates resources under the Act.

Carmarthenshire County Council has 4 Well-being Objectives drawn from the seven Well-being Goals identified in the WCFG Act. Procurement, as a strategic function will feed into all 4 with its work with the departments, although specifically we directly contribute to:-

- Well-being Objective 3 - Enabling our communities and environment to be healthy, safe and prosperous (Prosperous Communities) through our delivery of Community Benefits and social Value clauses.
- Well-being Objective 4 - To further modernise and develop as a resilient and efficient Council (Our Council) through the delivery of our function in supporting our departments to contract effectively.

We will ensure our procurement activity is in accordance with all relevant legislation and policy, including the Equalities Act (2010), , and the Welsh Government's Code of Practice for Ethical Employment in Supply chains.

In accordance with the Welsh Language (Wales) Measure 2011 we will continue to embed the Welsh language in our tendering and Community Benefits activities.

Wales Procurement Policy Statement

This lays out the principles by which public sector procurement should be delivered in Wales. The 10 principles are embedded throughout this Strategy which demonstrates our continued commitment to procuring well-being in Wales.

Net Zero Carbon

Action to tackling climate change and mitigating against its impacts is a central organising pillar within Carmarthenshire County Council. In February 2019, the Council declared a climate emergency, and made a commitment to becoming a Net Zero Carbon local authority by 2030. In 2022, the Council also declared a nature emergency in recognition of the importance of the role it has in mitigating against the impacts of the nature and climate emergencies and of its leadership role across the wider public sector.

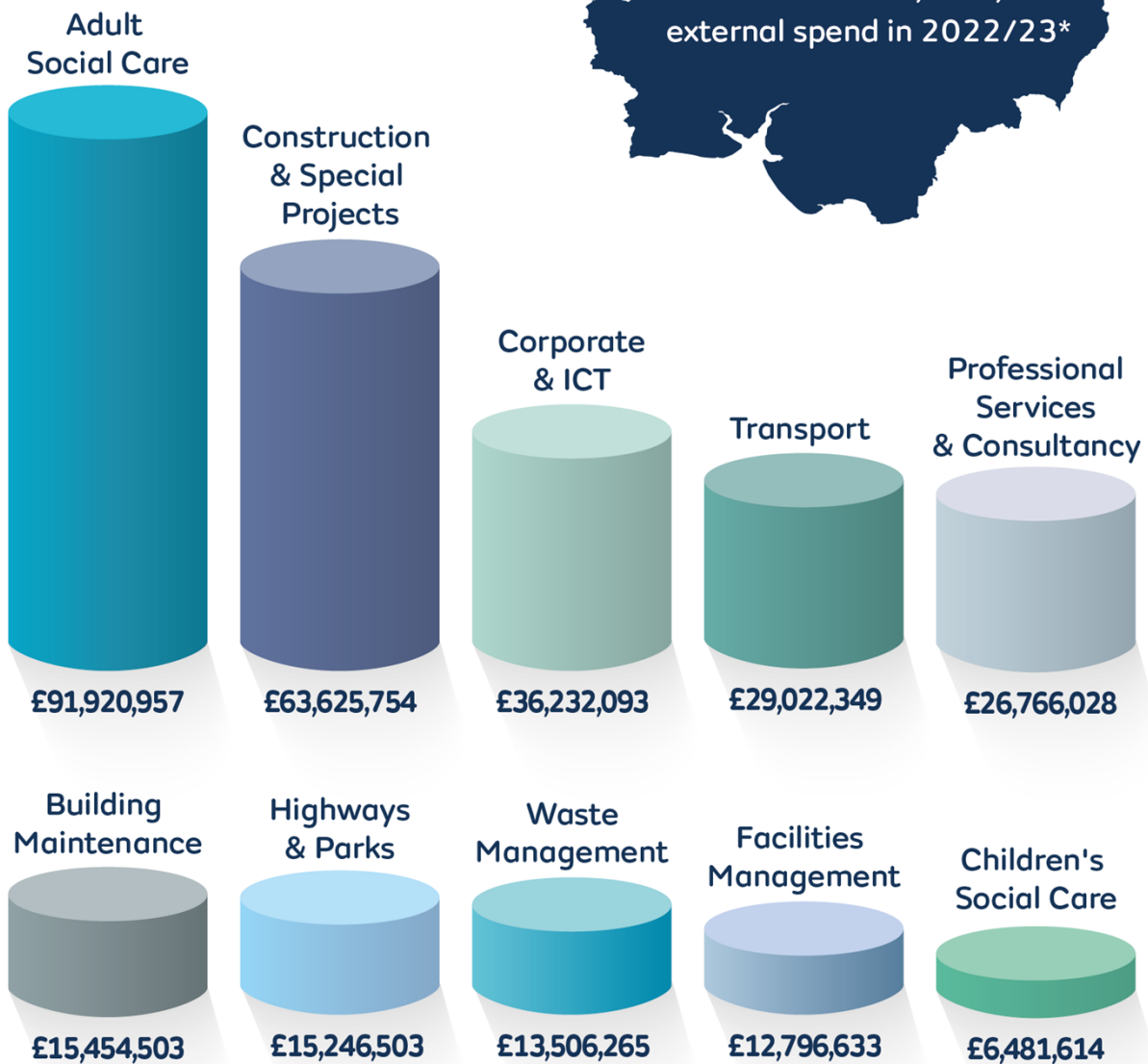
The council was one of the first local authorities in Wales to develop a net zero plan, and we are building consideration of the environmental impact within the procurement of our goods, services and works from the outset, in order to deliver more sustainable solutions.

We are also working through the WLGA's Climate Change Strategy Panel to collaborate with other local authorities and organisations to drive change, to develop and deliver innovative approaches to procurement for example in using our collective resource to accelerate the uptake of low carbon fleet.

Achieving Net Zero requires a reduction in emissions and while we recognise the current challenge of reporting Scope 3 emissions within the supply chain, because they involve a complex web of activities throughout the value chain, we are committed to working in collaboration with suppliers, customers, and other stakeholders to get a more better understanding and focussed on activity that drives down carbon within that chain. That more accurate understanding will help identify opportunities for departments to reduce their environmental impact across the entire supply chain.

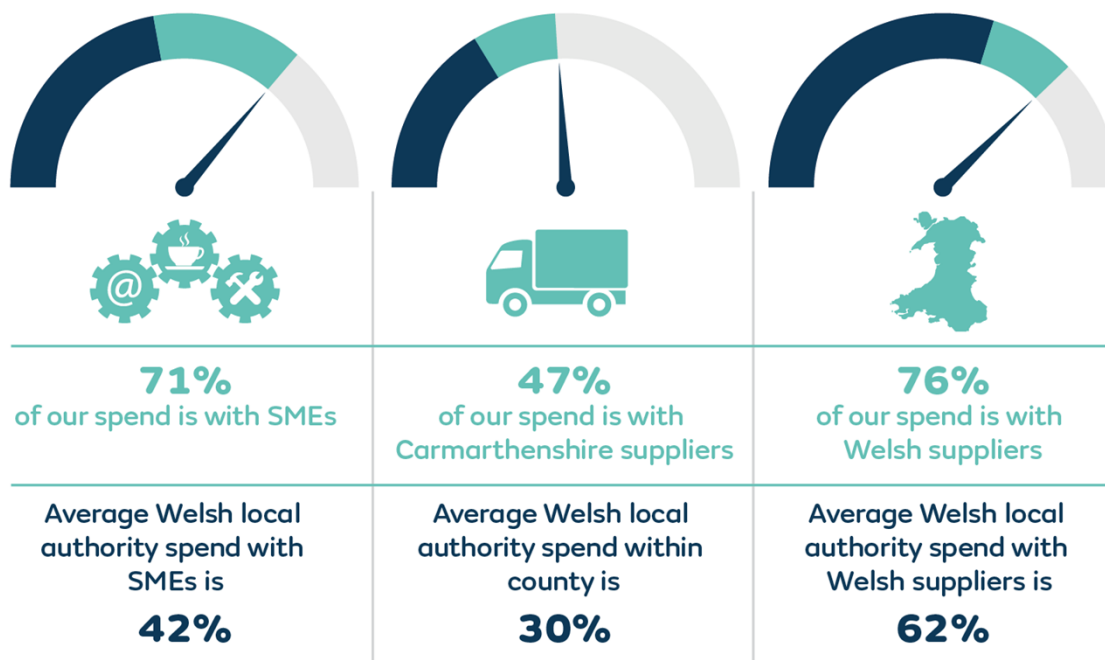
Our Spend

Carmarthenshire Spend Category Structures



*ATAMIS Spend Data 2022/23 which includes school expenditure

Our Suppliers



Our Approach

Category Management



We will continue to develop our Category Management Approach to our procurement spend – By understanding the resources and priorities of the Council we can make informed decisions with our officers across the departments on where spend should be allocated, supported by our data.

Our Priorities

In line with our support for the delivery of the aims of the Council's Corporate Strategy we have identified the following key priorities for the Corporate Procurement Unit. We will explain in detail below why these priorities are important, what we want out of them and how they will be achieved, and their impact measured: -





Delivering
compliant
processes and
procedures

Delivering compliant processes and procedures

Why is this important?

The complexity of UK Procurement Law and developing case law necessitates that the Council runs effective tender processes that are compliant and transparent in line with current and emerging legislation and best procurement practices. In an increasingly litigious marketplace, the Council must safeguard itself against potential challenges which, if proved successful, could bring about significant financial penalties, legal costs and reputational damage.



Through the delivery of our procurement activity, we recognise we can help support the Council's wider strategic objectives.

What do we want out of it?

- We want to ensure officers throughout the Council who are responsible for procuring goods, works or services are aware of their responsibilities to undertake compliant procurement activities.
- We want to continuously strive to embed the principle of innovation and continuous improvement within our procurement methods and processes.
- We will support effective contract management to deliver value for money and successful outcomes, on time and to budget.



How will we achieve it?

- We will continue to develop standard processes and templates which are compliant with current legislation, emerging case law and national policy.
- We will work with departments to implement effective contract management across the Council.
- We will continue to develop a range of training courses and eLearning modules to support the Category Management teams and departmental officers.
- We will continue to develop and invest in a skilled Corporate Procurement Unit to provide professional procurement guidance.



How will we measure its impact?

- We will monitor the % of procurement spend compliant with our Contract Procedure Rules.
- We will monitor the number of exception requests for approval to waiver competition to the Contract Procedure Rules we receive.
- We will monitor the Continuous Professional Development of officers in the Corporate Procurement Unit.
- We will monitor the level of procurement training delivered throughout Council.





Delivering spend effectively

Why is this important?

We need to ensure we are spending money in a way that is efficient and delivers value for money, is sustainable and supports the local economy. We must question if there is another way, can we reuse existing resources and reduce waste in what we procure. By buying the right things and taking into account the whole life costs of our commissioning and procurement decisions we can carefully consider their impact on the local economy, society and environment.



What do we want out of it?

- A coordinated and focused approach to category management, based on an understanding of our business needs and market analysis which are key to delivering effective procurement activity.
- To continue to analyse our spend to identify opportunities for innovation and challenge current spending behaviours including identifying opportunities for efficiencies.



How will we achieve it?

- We will develop a 'Tender Strategy' template for key strategic projects to explore the business need and formulate the procurement approach and desired outcomes.
- We will ensure that spend analysis is used strategically and is routinely considered at senior leadership level.
- We will review our Category Management Structure and approach to ensure that we manage supply and demand across all our procurement activities to achieve value for money.
- We will continue to embed the Expressions of Interest (EOI) process for procurement support to ensure our resources are managed effectively and are commensurate with the Council's expectations for delivery.
- We will collaborate with other Welsh public sector organisations where benefits can be realised.



How will we measure its impact?

- We will monitor the Council's spend to inform the Category Management approach and capture efficiencies where identified.
- We will monitor the number of EOI's received and tenders undertaken to understand if resources are managed effectively.
- We will monitor the % of procurement spend compliant with our Contract Procedure Rules.





Maintaining and developing the local economy

Why is this important?

What we spend has a profound impact on the local economy in terms of sector sustainability and job creation. We want a strong supply base who have equal opportunities to bid for work with the Council.



What do we want out of it?

- We want to assist in the development of a vibrant local economy which is capable of delivering strong and sustainable growth.
- We want to achieve maximum value for every pound we spend in the widest sense; building stronger communities, reducing social exclusion and poverty and encouraging the development of our economy.



How will we achieve it?

- We will promote 'Think Carmarthenshire First' for low value spend, working with colleagues in Marketing and Media to promote widely.
- We will continue to deliver strategic and innovative supplier engagement to maximise opportunities for SMEs.
- We will further investigate any potential barriers facing SME's in bidding for work and adapt our approach accordingly.
- We will continue to enhance and refine procurement processes and documentation to ensure they are proportionate to the tender exercise.
- We will continue to develop innovative Community Benefits / Social Value clauses, targeting wider Well-Being outcomes.
- We will develop and publish a longer-term forward work plan to improve access to information on our existing and forthcoming tenders for suppliers.
- We will maintain our online Contracts Register for the new Procurement Bill requirement.
- We will continue to strengthen the relationship between procurement and economic development to target effective local business support.
- We will support the development of the Foundational Economy, working with Economic Development to develop new and existing supply chains to bid and to be successful in future Council contracts.



How will we measure its impact?

- We will monitor the percentage of spend with local suppliers and develop an approach to analyse supplier re-spend in Carmarthenshire.
- We will monitor, record and report Community Benefits delivered through our contracts and frameworks.
- We will adopt an approach to monitor Local Economic Benefits retained within Carmarthenshire from local employment and local supply chain spend through our contracts.
- We will continue to analyse the success of supplier engagement initiatives with Economic Development officers to understand the impact on suppliers.





Buying Responsibly

Why is this important?

Sustainable procurement is a major driver for innovation, and by incentivising suppliers to reduce the environmental impact of goods, works and services we are playing a crucial role in tackling the impact of climate change and ensuring the sustainability of our county for

future generations. We are focused on priority outcomes such as creating local jobs and skills, providing equality of opportunity to all, improving health and wellbeing, reducing emissions and ensuring best value for money.



What do we want out of it?

- We will contribute to the Council's Net Zero Carbon commitment.
- We will support Ethical Employment and Fair Work practices.
- We will seek to address the 7 Well-being Goals and 5 Ways of Working from the Well-Being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015.



How will we achieve it?

- We will develop our approach to Carbon Reduction through our procurement activity by including the principles of the Circular Economy in our tenders.
- We will understand better the carbon of intensity of our supply chain.
- We will work with the WLGA to develop guidance and tools to support practitioners in making decisions to support the transition to low carbon procurement.
- We will continue to apply the Welsh Government's Sustainable Risk Assessments to all procurement activity over £25,000.
- We will ensure as many of our suppliers and providers commit to Welsh Government's Ethical Procurement with reference to the Code of Practice.
- We will take into account our 'Socially Responsible procurement Duty' in line with the Social Partnership and Public Procurement (Wales) Act 2023.
- We will continuously review our requirement for our third party contractors who provide us with onsite services to pay their employees the Real Living wage.
- We will continue to support the Welsh Language through our Procurement activity.
- We will continue to consult with Welsh Government on the proposed introduction of legislation on Social Partnership and Procurement Bill to ensure fair work outcomes for all and in our ongoing aim to deliver socially responsible Procurement.
- We will continue to consult with Welsh Government on the potential Procurement Reform to minimise the impact on our local supply chains.



How will we measure its impact?

- We will report our Scope 3 emissions on purchased goods, works and services to Welsh Government.
- We will monitor tender specifications for the inclusion of carbon reduction and ethical employment measures.
- We will continue to review the impact of carrying out Sustainable Risk Assessment exercises for exercises over £25,000.



Useful Links

Carmarthenshire County Council – Tenders and Contracts (Procurement Homepage)

<http://www.carmarthenshire.gov.wales/home/business/tenders-contracts>

Carmarthenshire' Corporate Strategy 2022-2027

[Corporate Strategy 2022-2027 \(gov.wales\)](#)

Wales Procurement Policy Statement

[WG45831 Wales Procurement Policy Statement \(gov.wales\)](#)

Sell2Wales

<https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales>

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CABINET

11TH DECEMBER 2023

COUNCIL TAX BASE 2024-25

Purpose:

For Cabinet to consider the Tax Base calculations and determine the Tax Base in respect of the financial year 2024-25

Recommendations / key decisions required:

It is recommended that, Cabinet:

1. Approves the Council Tax Base calculations for the financial year 2024-25, within the report (Appendix A)
2. Confirms a Council Tax Base of 76 460.40 in respect of the County Council area and
3. Confirms the relevant tax bases for the individual community and town council areas, as shown in Table 2.

Reasons:

1. The County Council is required each year, to determine its Council Tax Base, and the Council Tax Base of each community within its area, for the purpose of setting the level of Council Tax for the forthcoming financial year.
2. The attached Council Tax Base calculation has been undertaken in accordance with the established process.
3. Council on 8th December 2004 resolved that calculation of the Council Tax Base be designated as an executive function

Cabinet Decision Required	YES
Council Decision Required	NO

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**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
CABINET
11TH DECEMBER 2023**

COUNCIL TAX BASE – 2024-25

1. The Council must determine annually, its Council Tax Base for the purpose of calculating its Council Tax for the forthcoming financial year.
2. Under the provisions of Section 84 of the Local Government Act 2003, and the Local Authorities Executive Arrangements (Functions and Responsibilities) (Amendment) (Wales) Regulations 2004, the annual calculation has been delegated to Executive Board.
3. The Council Tax Base of an area is a measure of its tax-raising capacity, expressed in terms of the number of Band D equivalent dwellings. In simple terms, net spending not met by government grants is divided by the Tax Base to give the amount of Council Tax for a dwelling in Band D. The Tax Base is also used by the Welsh Assembly Government in its revenue settlement calculations.
4. The Tax Base calculation takes into account exemptions, reductions for disabilities and other discounts, together with anticipated changes i.e. new dwellings and appeals. The calculation also reflects the difference in the level of charge across the Valuation Bands.
5. A collection rate is then applied to give the net Tax Base expressed in terms of Band D equivalent dwellings. The collection rate applied for 2024-25 is 97.5% (remaining unchanged from the 2022-23 calculation).
6. The County Council must also calculate the individual Tax Bases for all the Town and Community Councils within the County, using the same basis of calculation and collection rate. The calculations must also ensure that the sum of the individual Tax Base figures for each part of the Authority's area is equal to the Council's Tax Base for the whole of the area.
7. The calculation of the Tax Base for the County Council for 2024-25 is shown in Table 1a & summarised in Table 1b.

The calculation for individual Town and Community Council areas is summarised in Table 2 and detailed in Appendix A.
8. It is therefore, recommended that for the financial year 2024-25, Cabinet:
 - a) agrees the calculations within Tables 1a & 1b
 - b) approves a Council Tax Base of 76460.40
and
 - c) approves the individual Tax Bases for the Town and Community Council areas within the County, as listed in Table 2 and detailed in Appendix A

DETAILED REPORT ATTACHED?

YES
(Summary Tables with detailed calculation tables in Appendix A)

IMPLICATIONS

I confirm that other than those implications which have been agreed with the appropriate Directors / Heads of Service and are referred to in detail below, there are no other implications associated with this report:

Signed: **Helen Pugh**

Head of Head of Revenues & Financial Compliance

Policy, Crime & Disorder and Equalities	Legal	Finance	ICT	Risk Management Issues	Staffing Implications	Physical Assets
NONE	NONE	YES	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE

Finance

The collection rate of 97.5% which has been applied since 2014-15 has been retained for 2024-25. (The rate applied for the years prior to 2014-15 was 96%)

Legal

Approval of the calculation would ensure that the Council complies with its obligations under the following legislation:-

- Section 84 of the Local Government Act 2003
- Local Authorities Executive Arrangements (Functions and Responsibilities) (Amendment) (Wales) Regulations 2004
- The Local Authorities (Calculation of Council Tax Base) (Wales) (Amendment) Regulation 2016

CONSULTATIONS

I confirm that the appropriate consultations have taken in place and the outcomes are as detailed below

Signed: **Helen Pugh**

Head of Head of Revenues & Financial Compliance

1. Scrutiny Committee- N/A
2. Local Member(s) - N/A
3. Community / Town Council - N/A
4. Relevant Partners - N/A
5. Staff Side Representatives and other Organisations - N/A

**CABINET MEMBER PORTFOLIO HOLDER
AWARE/CONSULTED**

YES

Section 100D Local Government Act, 1972 – Access to Information

List of Background Papers used in the preparation of this report:

THESE ARE DETAILED BELOW

Title of Document	File Ref No.	Locations that the papers are available for public inspection
System prints and calculation documents	N/A	Share point (<i>Finance/Controls/CT Base</i>)

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COUNCIL TAX BASE CALCULATION – 2024-25

Table 1.a

Ref.	Total - Whole Authority	A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL
a	Chargeable Dwellings	0	8713	23614	18249	14231	13052	6538	2189	292	73	86951
b	Add - Adjustments for year	0	12	39	60	52	37	7	9	0	0	216
c	Disability reductions	0	36	220	252	219	265	165	60	17	18	1252
d	Net Chargeable Dwellings	36	8909	23685	18276	14329	12989	6440	2155	293	55	87167
f	Dwellings with 1 discount	19	5207	10453	6645	4341	3133	1204	330	36	3	31371
g	Dwellings with 2 discounts	2	17	54	50	54	37	33	24	29	11	311
h	Total Discounts @ 25%	23	5241	10561	6745	4449	3207	1270	378	94	25	31993
	Second Home Premiums	0	57.5	111.4	136.5	150.9	118.5	62	18.9	1.8	0	657.5
	Long Term Empty Premium	0	312.5	485.9	418.5	282	235.3	80.8	26	3.6	0	1844.6
i	Total Discounted Dwellings	30.25	7783.75	21343.4	16867.25	13433.2	12364.15	6193.9	2082.95	272.2	48.75	80420
j	Ratio to Band D	5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
	Band D Equivalent	16.81	5189.17	16600.42	14993.11	13433.2	15111.74	8946.74	3471.58	544.4	113.75	78421
	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE											76460.40
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings											0
												76460.40

Key

- a The number of dwellings shown in the Valuation List, less exempt dwellings
- b The estimated movement during the year arising from new properties and other movements in Valuation Bands due to appeals etc.
- c Dwellings which have a (particular) feature required for a disabled resident and therefore are charged at the next lower band
- d Dwellings subject to Council Tax in the specified Valuation Band
- f 25% discount applies where only one adult is counted as resident (certain residents are not counted e.g students & mentally impaired)
- g Vacant dwellings and dwellings where none of the residents are counted, attract 50% discount
- h The total number of discounts @25% i.e.: f + (gx2)
- i The total net chargeable dwellings (line d) less a deduction to reflect the discounts shown in line h
- j The adjustment ratio due to the variations in charge, e.g. Band B properties are charged at 7/9ths of Band D.

COUNCIL TAX BASE CALCULATION 2024-25

Table 1.b

A	Band D Equivalent Dwellings	78,420.92
B	Estimated Collection Rate	97.5%
	A x B	76,460.40
	Class O Exempt	0
	COUNCIL TAX BASE 2024-25	76,460.40

Table 2 - community totals

TABLE 2**Tax Base Community Totals 2024/25**

COMMUNITY		COMMUNITY	
(Col. 1)	2024/25	(Col. 1)	2024/25
ABERGWILI	758.18	PENCARREG	570.49
ABERNANT	140.94	NEWCASTLE EMLYN	489.97
BRONWYDD	281.85	CARMARTHEN TOWN	5805.53
CILYMAENLLWYD	354.53		
CYNWYL ELFED	466.93	AMMANFORD	1996.186
EGLWYSCUMMIN	198.15	CWMAMAN	1639.00
GORSLAS	2086.77	LLANDEILO	820.20
HENLLANFALLTEG	231.26	LLANDOVERY	809.55
LAUGHARNE	604.58	BETWS	909.46
LLANARTHNE	434.83	CILYCWM	238.56
LLANBOIDY	460.01	CYNWYL GAEO	462.75
LLANDDAROG	559.41	DYFFRYN CENNEN	558.75
LLANDDOWROR & LLANMILOE	354.57	LLANDDEUSANT	132.03
LLANDYFAELOG	655.46	LLANDYBIE	4506.16
LLANGAIN	292.99	LLANEGWAD	739.88
LLANGYNDEYRN	1591.68	LLANFAIR-AR-Y-BRYN	289.53
LLANGUNNOR	1171.95	LLANFIHANGEL ABERBYTHYCH	604.54
LLANGYNIN	138.94	LLANFYNYDD	238.79
LLANGYNOG	253.49	LLANGADOG	659.74
LLANLLAWDDOG	369.74	LLANGATHEN	279.55
LLANPUMSAINT	342.37	LLANSADWRN	236.53
LLANSTEFFAN & LLANYBRI	605.12	LLANSAWEL	211.97
LLANWINIO	211.43	LLANWRDA	243.29
MEIDRIM	279.07	MANORDEILO & SALEM	803.60
NEWCHURCH & MERTHYR	319.94	MYDDFAI	186.38
PENDINE	174.19	CWARTER BACH	991.84
ST CLEARNS	1399.08	TALLEY	257.55
ST ISHMAELS	813.60		
TRELECH A'R BETWS	334.07	LLANELLI TOWN	9023.35
WHITLAND	793.18	LLANELLI RURAL	8551.69
CENARTH	555.65	PEMBREY & BURRY PORT	3359.87
LLANFIHANGEL-AR-ARTH	959.97	KIDWELLY TOWN	1448.77
LLANFIHANGEL RHOS-Y-CORN	225.23	LLANEDI	2398.56
LLANGELER	1540.30	LLANGENNECH	2012.78
LLANLLWNI	333.33	LLANNON	2032.09
LLANYBYDDER	628.49	PONTYBEREM	1043.00
LLANYCRWYS	109.36	TRIMSARAN	877.82
	21030.64		55429.75
		TOTAL	76460.40

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COUNCIL TAX BASE CALCULATION - 2024/25

APPENDIX A

Ref.	201 - AMMANFORD TOWN		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/25
H	Chargeable Dwellings	P01	2	453	696	795	337	154	81	31	0	1	2550
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	P01	2	316	310	277	103	36	25	9	0	2	1080
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		1.51126	377.38099	625.023321	734.49789	315.47065	147.40316	76.214106	29.39981	0	0.5158656	2307
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		0.83	249.33	481.06	645.11	311.25	177.22	107.97	47.92	0	1.17	2022
C	Second Home Premium		0.00163	0.4890961	0.94366738	1.2654747	0.610561	0.3476422	0.2117985	0.0940019	0	0.0022951	3.97
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0.00963	2.8918949	5.57965335	7.4824142	3.6100842	2.0555153	1.2523078	0.555808	0	0.0135704	23.45
E	New Band D Equiv		0.84	251.59	486.13	652.89	315.47	180.16	110.09	49	0	1.2	2047
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												1996.19
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												1996.19

Ref.	202 - CWMAMAN		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/26
H	Chargeable Dwellings	P02	3	442	671	400	368	135	64	7	0	0	2090
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	P02	4	256	267	121	102	23	11	0	0	0	784
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	2.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		2.02107	382.80762	613.168942	375.9874	348.99986	132.2479	62.928956	7.2214696	0	0	1925
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		1.11	253.33	469.97	328.67	342.5	157.97	88.47	11.67	0	0	1654
C	Second Home Premium		0.00444	1.0126329	1.87860539	1.3137886	1.3690711	0.6314516	0.3536401	0.0466483	0	0	6.61
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0.01663	3.7949836	7.04033641	4.9236065	5.1307854	2.3664531	1.3253156	0.1748212	0	0	24.77
E	Total		1.12	255.21	476.91	334.21	349	161.64	90.9	12.04	0	0	1681
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												1639.00
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												1639.00

Ref.	203 - LLANDEILO TOWN		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/27
H	Chargeable Dwellings	P03	0	172	169	232	157	137	72	20	2	0	961
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	P03	0	108	78	125	68	59	17	5	0	0	460
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		0	148.15167	153.290996	206.56756	144.56432	127.12144	70.940462	19.768822	2.130409	0	873
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		0	96.67	116.28	178.44	140	149.42	97.86	31.25	4	0	814
C	Second Home Premium		0	0.6804271	0.81845522	1.2559782	0.9854122	1.0517164	0.6888031	0.2199581	0.028155	0	5.73
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0	2.4712379	2.97254108	4.5615775	3.5789108	3.8197204	2.5016587	0.798864	0.102255	0	20.81
E	Total		0	98.77	119.23	183.62	144.56	155.37	102.47	32.95	4.26	0	841
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												820.20
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												820.20

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Ref.	204 - LLANDOVERY TOWN		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/28
H	Chargeable Dwellings	P04	0	116	211	303	148	106	65	10	5	0	964
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	P04	0	59	113	120	60	35	16	2	5	0	410
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		0	102.46137	185.300886	277.35503	135.38686	99.383096	62.581248	9.7840898	3.884597	0	876
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		0	67.5	142.14	242.67	133	118.86	88.11	15.83	7.5	0	816
C	Second Home Premium		0	0.2188269	0.46080087	0.7867071	0.4311701	0.3853299	0.2856421	0.051319	0.024314	0	2.64
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0	0.9925478	2.09008504	3.5683195	1.9556867	1.7477663	1.2956057	0.2327708	0.110283	0	11.99
E	Total		0	68.31	144.12	246.54	135.39	121.47	90.4	16.31	7.77	0	830
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												809.55
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												809.55

Ref.	205 - BETWS		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/29
H	Chargeable Dwellings	P05	2	169	190	148	205	234	61	10	4	0	1023
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	P05	0	86	83	55	55	50	7	0	2	0	338
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	0.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		2.01281	148.63522	170.778784	135.63794	193.46952	224.62545	60.238018	10.192455	3.580815	0	949
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		1.11	98.33	132.42	120.22	192.25	270.72	85.58	16.67	7	0	924
C	Second Home Premium		0.00212	0.1875259	0.25253925	0.2292725	0.3666415	0.5162923	0.1632103	0.0317915	0.01335	0	1.76
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0.0107	0.9476903	1.27624485	1.158663	1.8528778	2.6091603	0.8248077	0.1606631	0.067465	0	8.91
E	Total		1.12	99.09	132.83	120.57	193.47	274.54	87.01	16.99	7.16	0	933
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												909.46
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												909.46

Ref.	206 - CILYCWM		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/30
H	Chargeable Dwellings	P06	0	4	5	50	70	74	24	3	0	0	230
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	P06	0	1	3	17	20	19	5	2	0	0	67
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		0	3.8596968	4.39523858	47.534548	67.852117	72.963895	24.191855	2.6829743	0	0	223
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		0	2.5	3.31	40.67	65	84.64	32.86	4.17	0	0	233
C	Second Home Premium		0	0.0567041	0.07507617	0.9224615	1.4743054	1.9197724	0.7453181	0.0945824	0	0	5.29
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0	0.0529928	0.07016242	0.8620863	1.3778118	1.794123	0.6965369	0.0883919	0	0	4.94
E	Total		0	2.57	3.42	42.25	67.85	89.18	34.94	4.47	0	0	245
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												238.56
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												238.56

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Ref.	207 - CYNWYL GAEO		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/31
H	Chargeable Dwellings	P07	0	10	31	66	148	132	49	7	0	2	445
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	P07	0	4	9	19	39	28	7	0	0	0	106
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		0	9.1858098	29.4424513	62.935914	142.53137	129.73134	49.363587	7.3614001	0	2.144622	433
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		0	6	22.36	54.44	138.25	152.78	68.25	11.67	0	4.67	458
C	Second Home Premium		0	0.0519109	0.19345458	0.4710048	1.1961134	1.3218243	0.5904864	0.1009667	0	0.040404	3.97
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0	0.1338989	0.4989967	1.2149097	3.0852546	3.4095132	1.5231004	0.2604334	0	0.104218	10.23
E	Total		0	6.12	22.9	55.94	142.53	158.56	71.3	12.27	0	5	475
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												462.75
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												462.75

Ref.	208 - DYFFRYN CENNEN		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/32
H	Chargeable Dwellings	P08	0	17	59	109	82	132	79	36	12	0	526
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	P08	0	8	36	40	19	31	13	4	5	0	156
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		0	15.263614	51.0251954	101.3198	79.286419	128.25324	78.634466	36.537661	11.31677	0	502
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		0	10	38.89	88	77.25	151.86	109.42	58.33	21.5	0	555
C	Second Home Premium		0	0.0634936	0.24692646	0.5587433	0.4904878	0.9642132	0.6947465	0.3703579	0.136511	0	3.53
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0	0.2001206	0.77826892	1.7610611	1.5459315	3.0390311	2.1897193	1.1673033	0.430259	0	11.11
E	Total		0	10.18	39.69	90.06	79.29	156.75	113.58	60.9	22.63	0	573
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												558.75
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												558.75

Ref.	209 - LLANDDEUSANT		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/33
H	Chargeable Dwellings	P09	0	3	1	11	40	41	22	0	1	0	119
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	P09	0	1	0	3	11	9	3	0	0	0	27
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		0	2.8263487	1.03254206	10.630075	38.804092	40.725887	22.530405	0	1.083441	0	118
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		0	1.83	0.78	9.11	37.25	47.36	30.69	0	2	0	129
C	Second Home Premium		0	0.0375037	0.01598516	0.1866985	0.763394	0.9705863	0.6289547	0	0.040988	0	2.64
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0	0.038845	0.01655689	0.193376	0.7906978	1.0053006	0.6514501	0	0.042454	0	2.74
E	Total		0	1.88	0.8	9.45	38.8	49.78	32.54	0	2.17	0	135
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												132.03
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												132.03

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Ref.	210 - LLANDYBIE		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/34
H	Chargeable Dwellings	P10	4	603	1185	1281	927	712	379	95	12	1	5199
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	P10	3	381	511	473	282	160	70	12	9	0	1901
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	1.00	6.00	4.00	3.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	14
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		3.26936	511.37691	1066.09319	1173.8403	865.69105	680.78288	367.08382	93.639632	9.958523	1.0249158	4773
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		1.81	339.17	826.97	1037.11	859.5	821.33	522.17	153.33	19.5	2.33	4583
C	Second Home Premium		0.00418	0.7826836	1.90835233	2.3932806	1.98342	1.8953372	1.2049825	0.3538311	0.044999	0.0053768	10.58
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0.01518	2.8442265	6.93484088	8.697042	7.2076324	6.8875447	4.3788358	1.2858014	0.163524	0.019539	38.43
E	Total		1.82	340.92	829.18	1043.41	865.69	832.07	530.23	156.07	19.92	2.39	4622
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												4506.16
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												4506.16

Ref.	211 - LLANEGWAD		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/35
H	Chargeable Dwellings	P11	0	41	37	61	98	182	163	67	7	2	658
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	P11	0	22	19	25	29	50	40	7	3	0	195
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	2.00	0.00	1.00	0.00	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		0	35.931622	32.6830037	55.605648	92.31679	173.09783	156.81554	67.127558	6.465811	2.0806271	622
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		0	25	25.08	49.56	90.75	208.39	221	108.75	12.5	4.67	746
C	Second Home Premium		0	0.1329678	0.13339335	0.2635955	0.4826733	1.1083668	1.1754358	0.5784101	0.066484	0.0248384	3.97
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0	0.2986546	0.29961031	0.5920529	1.0841163	2.4894654	2.6401068	1.2991476	0.149327	0.0557887	8.91
E	Total		0	23.95	25.42	49.43	92.32	211.56	226.51	111.88	12.93	4.85	759
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												739.88
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												739.88

Ref.	212 - LLANFAIR-AR-Y-BRYN		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/36
H	Chargeable Dwellings	P12	0	13	16	56	63	92	27	5	2	1	275
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	P12	0	2	8	15	15	18	4	1	0	0	63
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		0	12.839249	14.4435078	54.141322	61.663024	91.855255	27.529674	5.0725511	2.162905	1.0948919	271
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		0	8.33	10.89	46.44	59.25	106.94	37.56	7.92	4	2.33	284
C	Second Home Premium		0	0.2070595	0.27069363	1.1543629	1.4727821	2.6582164	0.933632	0.1968681	0.099428	0.057917	7.05
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0	0.1321893	0.17281416	0.7369595	0.9402423	1.6970382	0.5960422	0.125683	0.063476	0.0369749	4.50
E	Total		0	8.56	11.23	48.13	61.66	112.27	39.77	8.45	4.33	2.55	297
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												289.53
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												289.53

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Ref.	213 LLANFIHANGEL ABERBYTHYCH		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/37
H	Chargeable Dwellings	P13	0	24	76	89	104	159	94	33	5	0	584
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	P13	0	10	33	35	19	39	16	6	2	0	160
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		0	21.667171	68.3646705	81.082121	100.4195	151.37807	91.516553	32.112454	4.604992	0	551
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		0	14.33	52.69	71.33	100.25	182.42	130	52.5	9	0	613
C	Second Home Premium		0	0.0515495	0.18954232	0.2565962	0.3606304	0.6562215	0.4676504	0.1888588	0.032376	0	2.20
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0	0.1156213	0.42512818	0.5755246	0.8088651	1.471852	1.0489023	0.4235952	0.072616	0	4.94
E	Total		0	14.44	53.17	72.07	100.42	185.02	132.19	53.52	9.21	0	620
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												604.54
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												604.54

Ref.	214 - LLANFYNYDD		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/38
H	Chargeable Dwellings	P14	0	16	3	25	55	63	42	8	2	1	215
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	P14	0	2	1	7	13	12	8	0	0	0	43
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		0	15.829419	2.81824373	23.909158	53.432176	62.377688	41.842581	8.4250883	2.127558	1.0743027	212
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		0	10.33	2.14	20.67	52.75	74.56	57.78	13.33	4	2.33	238
C	Second Home Premium		0	0.1148163	0.02378576	0.2297438	0.586308	0.8287227	0.6422156	0.1481609	0.044459	0.0258976	2.64
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0	0.2146032	0.04445796	0.4294141	1.095868	1.5489653	1.200365	0.2769274	0.083099	0.0484052	4.94
E	Total		0	10.55	2.19	21.25	53.43	76.24	60.44	14.04	4.26	2.51	245
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												238.79
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												238.79

Ref.	215 - LLANGADOG		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/39
H	Chargeable Dwellings	P15	0	23	35	137	116	185	109	22	6	0	633
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	P15	0	9	17	56	39	48	28	5	1	0	203
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		0	21.076083	31.3139849	125.57778	108.75516	177.98532	105.47374	21.565326	6.021147	0	598
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		0	13.83	23.92	109.33	106.25	211.44	147.33	34.58	11.5	0	658
C	Second Home Premium		0	0.1481582	0.25625051	1.171232	1.1382365	2.2651174	1.5783189	0.3704491	0.123197	0	7.05
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0	0.177925	0.30773441	1.4065469	1.3669223	2.7202075	1.8954227	0.4448769	0.147949	0	8.47
E	Total		0	14.05	24.36	111.62	108.76	217.54	152.35	35.94	12.04	0	677
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												659.74
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												659.74

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Ref.	216 - LLANGATHEN		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/40
H	Chargeable Dwellings	P16	0	16	9	21	23	74	49	30	8	3	233
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	P16	0	8	5	6	5	17	10	4	0	1	56
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		0	14.225338	7.89563674	19.918555	22.275307	71.808961	48.122292	30.167268	8.386432	2.905056	226
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		0	9.33	6.03	17.33	21.75	85.25	67.17	48.33	16	6.42	278
C	Second Home Premium		0	0.088864	0.05743303	0.1650604	0.2071589	0.8119678	0.6397639	0.4603214	0.152393	0.0611476	2.64
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0	0.1364744	0.08820371	0.2534942	0.3181477	1.2469928	0.9825279	0.7069462	0.23404	0.0939084	4.06
E	Total		0	9.48	6.14	17.71	22.28	87.77	69.51	50.28	16.77	6.78	287
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												279.55
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												279.55

Ref.	217 - LLANSADWRN		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/41
H	Chargeable Dwellings	P17	0	20	5	26	58	55	46	10	2	0	222
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	P17	0	9	2	11	17	12	6	4	1	0	62
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		0	18.019721	4.57979908	23.721271	54.975486	53.449151	45.965567	9.3419961	1.829799	0	212
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		0	11.83	3.5	20.67	53.75	63.56	64.28	15	3.5	0	236
C	Second Home Premium		0	0.0883274	0.02613236	0.1543303	0.4013185	0.4745637	0.4799395	0.1119958	0.026132	0	1.76
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0	0.1813935	0.05366672	0.3169403	0.8241674	0.9745876	0.9856276	0.2300002	0.053667	0	3.62
E	Total		0	12.01	3.56	21.09	54.98	65.33	66.39	15.57	3.66	0	243
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												236.53
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												236.53

Ref.	218 - LLANSAWEL		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/42
H	Chargeable Dwellings	P18	0	5	27	39	45	58	25	7	1	0	207
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	P18	0	1	12	15	13	16	3	1	0	0	61
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		0	4.858276	24.637701	36.320122	43.176032	56.254326	25.446501	7.1342601	1.068313	0	199
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		0	3.17	18.67	31.33	41.75	66	35.03	11.25	2	0	209
C	Second Home Premium		0	0.0066777	0.03932882	0.0659974	0.0879474	0.1390306	0.0737916	0.0236984	0.004213	0	0.44
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0	0.1015983	0.59837216	1.0041243	1.3380845	2.1152953	1.122709	0.3605617	0.0641	0	6.70
E	Total		0	3.24	19.16	32.28	43.18	68.76	36.76	11.89	2.14	0	217
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												211.97
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												211.97

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Ref.	219 - LLANWRDA		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/43
H	Chargeable Dwellings	P19	0	8	26	22	51	68	35	14	6	0	230
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	P19	0	6	12	11	23	25	6	1	1	0	85
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		0	6.5959709	23.396517	19.629229	46.252929	63.42273	34.572524	14.258003	6.004888	0	214
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		0	4.33	17.89	17.11	45.25	75.47	48.39	22.92	11.5	0	243
C	Second Home Premium		0	0.0471424	0.19477529	0.1862831	0.4926541	0.8216708	0.5268405	0.2495388	0.125205	0	2.64
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0	0.0488285	0.20174168	0.1929458	0.5102745	0.851059	0.5456836	0.2584639	0.129683	0	2.74
E	Total		0	4.4	18.2	17.45	46.25	77.52	49.94	23.76	12.01	0	250
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												243.29
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												243.29

Ref.	220 - MANORDEILO & SALEM		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/44
H	Chargeable Dwellings	P20	0	25	21	101	131	185	181	59	9	3	715
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	P20	0	12	9	38	43	53	40	10	3	0	208
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.00	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		0	22.265798	19.0141671	92.973574	122.44686	175.55343	175.50135	58.206215	8.548955	3.1268292	678
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		0	14.67	14.58	81.33	121.25	209.92	248.44	94.17	16.5	7	808
C	Second Home Premium		0	0.0880268	0.08748677	0.4880178	0.7275563	1.2596174	1.4907553	0.5650637	0.099008	0.0420032	4.85
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0	0.1777709	0.17668031	0.9855562	1.4693064	2.5438086	3.0105936	1.1411512	0.199947	0.0848259	9.79
E	Total		0	14.84	14.79	82.64	122.45	214.57	253.5	97.01	17.1	7.3	824
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												803.60
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												803.60

Ref.	221 - MYDDFAI		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/45
H	Chargeable Dwellings	P21	0	4	8	23	47	49	30	7	0	1	169
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	P21	0	1	4	11	12	14	6	2	0	0	50
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		0	3.8799332	7.28273469	21.185519	46.286825	48.390235	30.63974	7.0628707	0	1.1210978	166
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		0	2.5	5.44	18	44	55.61	41.17	10.83	0	2.33	180
C	Second Home Premium		0	0.0734965	0.15992838	0.5291748	1.2935384	1.6348561	1.2103403	0.3183868	0	0.0684987	5.29
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0	0.0564367	0.12280631	0.4063444	0.9932863	1.2553784	0.9293999	0.2444839	0	0.052599	4.06
E	Total		0	2.59	5.66	18.83	46.29	59.14	44.26	11.77	0	2.62	191
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												186.38
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												186.38

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Ref.	222 - CWARTER BACH		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/46
H	Chargeable Dwellings	P22	4	475	445	233	91	75	21	1	1	0	1346
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	P22	0	234	153	68	23	11	3	0	0	0	492
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	1.00	0.00	1.00	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		4.05907	423.90582	415.167721	221.13243	87.544944	74.599756	21.028285	1.0444354	1.053216	0	1250
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		2.22	278.33	316.36	192.89	86.25	88.31	29.25	1.67	2	0	997
C	Second Home Premium		0.01079	1.3528943	1.53774885	0.9375913	0.4192402	0.4292534	0.1421771	0.0081175	0.009722	0	4.85
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0.04828	6.0529226	6.87997191	4.1948343	1.8757036	1.920503	0.6361082	0.036318	0.043495	0	21.69
E	Total		2.26	282.6	322.91	196.56	87.54	91.18	30.37	1.74	2.11	0	1017
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												991.84
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												991.84

Ref.	223 - TALLEY		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/47
H	Chargeable Dwellings	P23	0	5	21	21	43	82	41	15	2	1	231
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	P23	0	2	9	12	12	22	3	2	2	0	64
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	0.00	1.00	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		0	4.5887657	19.2044805	18.499751	41.183543	79.266532	41.97028	15.215156	1.588766	1.0689414	223
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		0	3	15.36	16.89	40	93.5	58.14	24.17	3	2.33	256
C	Second Home Premium		0	0.0206257	0.10560352	0.1161226	0.2750092	0.6428339	0.3997258	0.1661743	0.020626	0.0160193	1.76
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0	0.06814	0.34887701	0.3836284	0.9085339	2.1236979	1.320554	0.5489816	0.06814	0.0529221	5.82
E	Total		0	3.06	14.94	16.44	41.18	96.88	60.62	25.36	3.18	2.49	264
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												257.55
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												257.55

Ref.	224 - LLANELLI TOWN		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/48
H	Chargeable Dwellings	24	3	1495	5798	2407	1219	530	279	109	36	10	11886
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	24	2	1091	2557	890	422	138	65	38	13	11	5227
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	1.00	3.00	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		2.52318	1235.8517	5225.71075	2216.9017	1132.072	505.60093	269.08016	102.26587	33.84247	7.5322076	10731
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		1.39	815.5	4014.69	1942.67	1113.5	605.61	379.53	165.83	65.5	16.92	9121
C	Second Home Premium		0.00537	3.15205	15.5174784	7.508759	4.3038721	2.3407885	1.4669498	0.6409619	0.253169	0.0653988	35.25
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0.01781	10.449621	51.4432724	24.892906	14.268121	7.7601409	4.8632062	2.1249058	0.839301	0.2168088	116.88
E	Total		1.4	823.9	4064.44	1970.58	1132.07	617.96	388.67	170.44	67.68	17.58	9255
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												9023.35
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												9023.35

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Ref.	225 - LLANELLI RURAL		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/49
H	Chargeable Dwellings	25	4	689	4020	2595	1513	914	389	208	26	8	10366
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	25	3	423	1784	995	399	182	70	39	4	8	3907
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	0.00	1.00	4.00	2.00	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	8
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		3.27339	588.27463	3609.93159	2373.2464	1431.5385	882.23293	378.43431	202.51983	25.64612	6.180914	9501
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		1.81	388.83	2780.56	2089.11	1415.25	1062.72	536.61	330.42	50	14	8669
C	Second Home Premium		0.0046	0.9882652	7.06717769	5.3097619	3.5970536	2.7010498	1.3638685	0.8398081	0.127082	0.0355829	22.03
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0.01879	4.0363636	28.864417	21.686618	14.691417	11.031876	5.5704372	3.4300215	0.51904	0.1453311	89.99
E	Total		1.82	392.18	2807.72	2109.55	1431.54	1078.28	546.63	337.53	51.29	14.42	8771
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												8551.69
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												8551.69

Ref.	226 - PEMBREY & BURRY PT. TOWN		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/50
H	Chargeable Dwellings	26	1	511	1452	828	659	353	198	67	12	2	4083
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	26	1	312	577	287	214	100	41	13	5	0	1550
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	1.00	6.00	10.00	4.00	2.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	23
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		0.75729	438.01973	1325.47789	768.06692	616.07452	334.99757	192.45501	65.593385	11.12301	2.0810222	3755
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		0.42	289.33	1021.81	681.11	609.5	403.33	271.19	106.25	21.5	4.67	3409
C	Second Home Premium		0.00271	1.8700393	6.60430933	4.4022481	3.939408	2.6068605	1.7527942	0.6867303	0.138962	0.0301838	22.03
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0.00457	3.1496921	11.1235851	7.4146711	6.6351133	4.3907141	2.9522172	1.1566543	0.234052	0.0508384	37.11
E	Total		0.42	292.01	1030.93	682.73	616.07	409.44	277.99	109.32	22.25	4.86	3446
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												3359.87
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												3359.87

Ref.	227 - KIDWELLY TOWN		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/51
H	Chargeable Dwellings	27	2	203	617	274	216	231	118	35	6	0	1702
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	27	0	120	260	94	71	56	15	9	1	0	626
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	0.00	2.00	1.00	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		2.01708	174.77497	558.631553	253.94067	201.31653	221.08183	116.78987	33.590006	5.926989	0	1568
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		1.11	115.33	430.89	223.56	199.25	265.22	165.03	54.58	11.5	0	1466
C	Second Home Premium		0.00367	0.3812326	1.42434169	0.7389956	0.658637	0.8767061	0.54552	0.1804186	0.038014	0	4.85
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0.01341	1.3937379	5.20721164	2.7016738	2.4078928	3.2051258	1.9943515	0.6595874	0.138975	0	17.72
E	Total		1.12	116.52	434.49	225.73	201.32	270.21	168.7	55.98	11.85	0	1486
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												1448.77
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												1448.77

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Ref.	228 - LLANEDI		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/52
H	Chargeable Dwellings	28	0	148	891	661	354	313	188	131	10	4	2700
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	28	0	89	396	219	86	65	33	18	1	3	910
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	2.00	0.00	3.00	0.00	0.00	6
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		0	126.67685	798.810675	612.20812	336.18727	300.78709	182.62066	128.88628	9.965598	3.3338067	2499
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		0	83.83	616	538.89	333.5	365.14	259.64	215.83	19.5	7.58	2440
C	Second Home Premium		0	0.1816917	1.33510807	1.1679811	0.7228223	0.7913983	0.5627394	0.4677863	0.042264	0.0164288	5.29
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0	0.7451571	5.4755672	4.7901435	2.9644507	3.2456958	2.307916	1.918493	0.173334	0.0673779	21.69
E	Total		0	84.45	621.3	544.18	336.19	367.63	263.79	214.81	19.93	7.78	2460
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												2398.56
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												2398.56

Ref.	229 - LLANGENNECH		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/53
H	Chargeable Dwellings	29	0	120	598	623	399	358	129	49	12	1	2289
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	29	0	78	266	224	127	76	31	6	4	0	812
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.00	0.00	3
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		0	101.12274	535.342284	571.68447	370.66343	342.86245	122.89124	48.25128	11.20448	1.0216564	2105
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		0	67	413.39	504	367.25	415.56	176.58	80.83	22	2.33	2049
C	Second Home Premium		0	0.1873342	1.15585231	1.4092009	1.0268433	1.1619197	0.4937236	0.2260034	0.061513	0.0065148	5.73
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0	0.4354022	2.68643174	3.2752645	2.3865891	2.7005336	1.1475123	0.525277	0.142968	0.0151416	13.32
E	Total		0	67.42	416.38	508.16	370.66	419.05	177.51	80.42	22.41	2.38	2064
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												2012.78
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												2012.78

Ref.	230 - LLANNON		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/54
H	Chargeable Dwellings	30	0	199	838	554	374	278	116	37	8	0	2404
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	30	0	116	320	179	105	67	17	5	6	0	815
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	0.00	2.00	1.00	4.00	6.00	0.00	1.00	0.00	0.00	14
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		0	171.52366	765.947154	515.34787	352.47909	265.6415	113.9202	36.573473	6.674778	0	2228
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		0	113.33	591.11	453.56	351.75	326.64	161.42	61.25	13	0	2072
C	Second Home Premium		0	0.2410298	1.25717069	0.9646298	0.7481007	0.6946968	0.3433075	0.1302663	0.027648	0	4.41
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0	1.2826306	6.68998326	5.1332388	3.9809877	3.6968012	1.826897	0.6932068	0.14713	0	23.45
E	Total		0	114.35	595.74	458.09	352.48	324.67	164.55	60.96	13.35	0	2084
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												2032.09
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												2032.09

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Ref.	231 - PONTYBEREM		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/55
H	Chargeable Dwellings	31	0	163	466	247	197	138	57	9	1	0	1278
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	31	0	95	176	74	71	38	9	1	0	0	464
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		0	140.49782	426.41193	231.2302	181.65948	130.6112	55.812993	8.9459842	1.026884	0	1176
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		0	92.83	328.22	203.11	179.25	157.06	79.08	14.58	2	0	1056
C	Second Home Premium		0	0.1162038	0.41086314	0.2542515	0.2243837	0.1966064	0.0989917	0.0182511	0.002504	0	1.32
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0	1.1316162	4.00106716	2.4759513	2.1850932	1.9145927	0.9640009	0.1777331	0.02438	0	12.87
E	Total		0	93.67	331.65	205.54	181.66	159.64	80.62	14.91	2.05	0	1070
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												1043.00
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												1043.00

Ref.	232 - TRIMSARAN		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/56
H	Chargeable Dwellings	32	3	339	343	145	142	95	51	10	0	0	1128
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	32	3	150	150	49	26	25	8	4	0	0	415
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		2.26931	304.60571	309.171377	134.57325	137.59365	90.44485	50.115891	9.2317691	0	0	1038
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		1.25	201	237.61	118	135.5	109.69	72.22	15	0	0	890
C	Second Home Premium		0.00186	0.2984859	0.35285193	0.1752305	0.2012181	0.1628901	0.107247	0.0222751	0	0	1.32
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0.01746	2.80722	3.3185251	1.6480197	1.8924294	1.53196	1.0086439	0.209494	0	0	12.43
E	Total		1.26	203.07	240.47	119.62	137.59	110.54	72.39	15.39	0	0	900
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												877.82
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												877.82

Ref.	233 - ABERGWILI		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/57
H	Chargeable Dwellings	33	0	16	63	115	136	150	166	57	4	0	707
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	33	0	6	33	52	53	39	33	10	1	0	227
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		0	14.646357	55.394456	103.37231	124.60784	142.84447	161.1987	55.874728	3.863514	0	662
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		0	9.67	42.58	90.67	122.75	171.42	227.86	90.83	7.5	0	763
C	Second Home Premium		0	0.0334982	0.14750315	0.3140937	0.4252234	0.5938232	0.7893393	0.314648	0.025981	0	2.64
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0	0.1128589	0.4969528	1.058213	1.4326199	2.0006494	2.6593628	1.0600804	0.087533	0	8.91
E	Total		0	9.76	43.08	91.89	124.61	174.59	232.84	93.12	7.73	0	778
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												758.18
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												758.18

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Ref.	234 - ABERNANT		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/58
H	Chargeable Dwellings	34	0	3	8	14	47	44	14	2	1	0	133
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	34	0	0	4	4	17	9	0	0	0	0	34
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		0	3.0778253	7.21168494	13.44983	44.413517	43.735714	14.786814	2.1295792	1.077825	0	130
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		0	2	5.44	11.56	42.75	51.03	20.22	3.33	2	0	138
C	Second Home Premium		0	0.012743	0.03466098	0.0736546	0.2723818	0.3251378	0.1288318	0.0212171	0.012743	0	0.88
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0	0.0650823	0.17702396	0.3761759	1.391135	1.6605759	0.6579825	0.1083621	0.065082	0	4.50
E	Total		0	2.05	5.61	11.96	44.41	53.45	21.36	3.55	2.16	0	145
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												140.94
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												140.94

Ref.	235 - BRONWYDD		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/59
H	Chargeable Dwellings	35	1	3	11	30	53	93	36	21	3	1	252
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	35	1	2	4	12	16	18	2	4	0	0	59
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		0.75601	2.5238799	10.1112491	27.343185	49.700669	90.046763	36.233272	20.476598	3.085796	1.0333175	241
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		0.42	1.67	7.78	24	49	108.17	51.28	33.33	6	2.33	284
C	Second Home Premium		0.00196	0.0077746	0.03621941	0.1117308	0.2281171	0.5035801	0.2387315	0.1551662	0.027933	0.0108472	1.32
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0.00405	0.0161053	0.07502969	0.231454	0.472552	1.0431827	0.4945401	0.3214318	0.057864	0.0224703	2.74
E	Total		0.42	1.68	7.86	24.31	49.7	110.06	52.34	34.13	6.17	2.41	289
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												281.85
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												281.85

Ref.	236 - CILYMAENLLWYD		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/60
H	Chargeable Dwellings	36	0	14	18	31	84	136	47	4	1	0	335
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	36	0	7	13	7	21	32	8	2	0	0	90
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.00	1.00	0.00	0.00	2
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		0	12.444021	15.0223895	29.867448	80.620155	131.74435	46.54362	3.67811	1.047496	0	321
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		0	8.17	11.47	26	78.75	157.67	65	7.5	2	0	357
C	Second Home Premium		0	0.0403904	0.0567047	0.1285372	0.3893195	0.7794795	0.3213431	0.0370781	0.009887	0	1.76
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0	0.1536308	0.2156848	0.4889106	1.480835	2.9648668	1.2222765	0.1410319	0.037609	0	6.70
E	Total		0	8.3	11.68	26.55	80.62	161.02	67.23	6.13	2.09	0	364
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												354.53
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												354.53

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Ref.	238 - CYNWYL ELFED		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/61
H	Chargeable Dwellings	38	0	19	31	61	96	168	49	18	0	0	442
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	38	0	5	14	19	23	30	9	3	0	0	103
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	0.00	1.00	0.00	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		0	18.031059	28.0267186	57.437908	92.417933	165.16064	48.354389	17.933047	0	0	427
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		0	11.83	22.17	50	91.25	196.17	67.53	28.75	0	0	468
C	Second Home Premium		0	0.1114668	0.2088943	0.4711193	0.8597927	1.8483895	0.6362937	0.2708936	0	0	4.41
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0	0.1695923	0.31782428	0.7167891	1.3081401	2.8122503	0.9680953	0.4121537	0	0	6.70
E	Total		0	12.02	21.8	51.06	92.42	201.86	69.85	29.89	0	0	479
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												466.93
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												466.93

Ref.	239 - EGLWYS GYMYN		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/62
H	Chargeable Dwellings	39	0	7	14	19	47	59	32	5	0	1	184
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	39	0	0	9	12	9	17	7	1	0	0	55
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		0	7.1935841	12.1288776	16.589457	46.605008	57.524014	32.061068	5.0783054	0	1.0965848	178
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		0	4.67	9.14	14.22	44.75	66.92	43.69	7.92	0	2.33	194
C	Second Home Premium		0	0.0531398	0.10400384	0.161809	0.5092092	0.7614811	0.4971475	0.0901215	0	0.026513	2.20
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0	0.1404443	0.27487379	0.4276483	1.3457989	2.0125333	1.3139208	0.2381839	0	0.0700718	5.82
E	Total		0	4.8	9.43	14.75	46.61	70.31	46.31	8.46	0	2.56	203
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												198.15
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												198.15

Ref.	240 - GORSLAS		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/63
H	Chargeable Dwellings	40	0	42	443	601	484	392	195	80	7	1	2245
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	40	0	30	229	208	152	101	34	9	4	0	767
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	0.00	1.00	8.00	6.00	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	16
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		0	34.714785	388.559104	553.62357	450.22099	370.94736	189.01569	78.960079	6.112062	1.0217586	2073
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		0	23	300.81	495.11	452	449.47	269.39	129.58	12	2.33	2134
C	Second Home Premium		0	0.0475034	0.62128264	1.0225832	0.9335453	0.9283199	0.5563888	0.2676301	0.024784	0.0048123	4.41
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0	0.1672813	2.18782181	3.6009855	3.2874421	3.2690412	1.9593009	0.9424486	0.087277	0.0169463	15.52
E	Total		0	23.14	302.21	492.11	450.22	453.38	273.02	131.6	12.22	2.38	2140
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												2086.77
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												2086.77

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Ref.	241 - HENLLAN FALLTEG		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/64
H	Chargeable Dwellings	41	0	4	7	21	37	72	41	17	2	0	201
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	41	0	1	1	6	6	13	6	2	0	0	35
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		0	3.7840885	6.82158582	19.736301	35.984057	69.895782	40.278036	16.874973	2.054542	0	195
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		0	2.5	5.25	17.33	35.5	84.03	57.06	27.5	4	0	233
C	Second Home Premium		0	0.0094499	0.01984472	0.0655065	0.1341881	0.3176289	0.2156837	0.1039485	0.01512	0	0.88
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0	0.0246386	0.05174111	0.1707949	0.3498684	0.8281534	0.5623519	0.2710248	0.039422	0	2.30
E	Total		0	2.52	5.31	17.54	35.98	85.43	58.18	28.12	4.11	0	237
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												231.26
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												231.26

Ref.	242 - LAUGHARNE TOWN		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/65
H	Chargeable Dwellings	42	0	26	62	139	122	106	82	48	5	0	590
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	42	0	15	31	59	37	27	18	13	0	0	200
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		0	22.71132	55.5624121	127.68548	116.25733	103.02361	80.982138	47.069974	5.311072	0	559
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		0	14.83	42.19	110.44	112.75	121.31	111.94	74.58	10	0	598
C	Second Home Premium		0	0.1967033	0.55960304	1.4648628	1.4955023	1.6090411	1.4847586	0.9892201	0.132639	0	7.93
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0	0.2646162	0.75280903	1.9706146	2.0118326	2.1645713	1.9973795	1.3307537	0.178433	0	10.67
E	Total		0	15.14	43.22	113.5	116.26	125.92	116.97	78.45	10.62	0	620
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												604.58
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												604.58

Ref.	243 - LLANARTHNE		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/66
H	Chargeable Dwellings	43	0	5	16	32	59	95	96	53	4	2	362
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	43	0	2	13	9	18	28	11	6	0	0	87
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		0	4.5582859	12.9427321	30.263693	55.558861	90.113448	95.866844	53.16756	4.155429	2.0907318	349
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		0	3	9.92	26.44	54.5	108.78	134.69	85.83	8	4.67	436
C	Second Home Premium		0	0.0121337	0.04012202	0.1069381	0.2204284	0.4399671	0.5447616	0.3471445	0.032356	0.0188881	1.76
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0	0.0461522	0.15261011	0.4067552	0.8384325	1.6734806	2.0720822	1.3204159	0.123073	0.0718437	6.70
E	Total		0	3.04	10.07	26.9	55.56	110.14	138.47	88.61	8.31	4.88	446
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												434.83
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												434.83

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Ref.	244 - LLANBOIDY		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/67
H	Chargeable Dwellings	44	0	23	28	55	110	158	50	12	5	0	441
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	44	0	10	16	24	28	34	8	4	1	0	125
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		0	20.831089	24.4521892	50.055027	105.49467	153.9255	49.679179	11.443954	4.980091	0	421
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		0	13.67	18.67	43.56	103	182.72	69.33	18.33	9.5	0	459
C	Second Home Premium		0	0.1181775	0.16140263	0.3765773	0.8904377	1.5796191	0.5993596	0.1584633	0.082128	0	3.97
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0	0.2129112	0.29078653	0.67845	1.6042321	2.8458765	1.0798195	0.285491	0.147963	0	7.15
E	Total		0	13.89	19.02	44.49	105.49	188.13	71.76	19.07	9.96	0	472
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												460.01
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												460.01

Ref.	245 - LLANDDAROG		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/68
H	Chargeable Dwellings	45	0	17	44	125	77	143	82	47	1	0	536
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	45	0	9	28	37	27	43	17	6	0	0	167
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		0	14.897705	37.4324474	117.29602	71.305574	134.6788	79.437567	46.639419	1.030052	0	503
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		0	9.83	28.78	102.89	70.25	161.64	112.31	75.83	2	0	564
C	Second Home Premium		0	0.0307486	0.09002477	0.3218432	0.2197443	0.5056151	0.3513093	0.2371987	0.006256	0	1.76
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0	0.1169567	0.34242266	1.2241788	0.8358301	1.9231827	1.3362574	0.9022206	0.023796	0	6.70
E	Total		0	9.93	29.11	104.26	71.31	164.61	114.74	77.73	2.06	0	574
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												559.41
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												559.41

Ref.	246 - LLANDDOWROR & LLANMILOE		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/69
H	Chargeable Dwellings	46	0	10	78	109	56	78	27	15	0	0	373
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	46	0	2	26	35	19	17	6	4	0	0	109
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	0.00	1.00	2.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.00	0.00	4
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		0	9.6814813	73.1167027	102.85582	52.719339	76.334316	26.555917	14.716751	0	0	356
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		0	6.33	56.39	90.89	51.25	90.14	36.83	25	0	0	357
C	Second Home Premium		0	0.085993	0.76605806	1.2347405	0.6962312	1.2245518	0.5003355	0.339625	0	0	4.85
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0	0.0954882	0.85064464	1.3710781	0.7731076	1.3597643	0.5555815	0.3771257	0	0	5.38
E	Total		0	6.45	56.87	91.43	52.72	93.3	38.36	24.53	0	0	364
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												354.57
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												354.57

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Ref.	247 - LLANDYFAELOG		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/70
H	Chargeable Dwellings	47	0	16	33	52	143	199	104	45	6	2	600
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	47	0	9	17	22	56	58	19	7	0	0	188
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	0.00	1.00	2.00	1.00	0.00	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		0	13.891181	29.1062631	47.163721	131.00148	187.97179	101.47949	44.359743	6.184752	2.0718993	563
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		0	9.17	23.14	43.11	130	225.5	144.81	72.08	12	4.67	664
C	Second Home Premium		0	0.0182447	0.04603954	0.085772	0.2586491	0.4486567	0.2881152	0.143411	0.023875	0.0092915	1.32
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0	0.1229365	0.31022359	0.577949	1.7428291	3.0231382	1.9413776	0.9663317	0.160877	0.0626078	8.91
E	Total		0	9.26	22.64	41.92	131	229.74	146.58	73.93	12.37	4.83	672
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												655.46
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												655.46

Ref.	248 - LLANGAIN		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/71
H	Chargeable Dwellings	48	0	5	19	28	32	116	54	8	4	1	267
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	48	0	3	12	12	8	37	9	1	0	0	82
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	0.00	0.00	2.00	1.00	3.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	6
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		0	4.283877	16.1489151	25.287296	30.371091	108.35575	52.644808	7.904661	4.095765	1.0278917	250
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		0	2.83	12.44	24	31	134.14	74.75	12.92	8	2.33	302
C	Second Home Premium		0	0.004124	0.01812811	0.0349738	0.0451745	0.1954746	0.1089289	0.0188276	0.011658	0.0033954	0.44
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0	0.029753	0.13078701	0.2523222	0.3259162	1.4102709	0.7858786	0.1358335	0.084107	0.0244963	3.18
E	Total		0	2.86	12.56	22.48	30.37	132.43	76.04	13.17	8.19	2.4	301
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												292.99
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												292.99

Ref.	249 - LLANGYNDEYRN		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/72
H	Chargeable Dwellings	49	1	206	366	338	398	375	80	23	2	0	1789
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	49	0	95	147	121	119	79	13	4	0	0	578
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	1.00	7.00	5.00	9.00	6.00	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	29
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		1.00894	184.20103	333.426584	312.18961	374.27461	362.30115	78.543569	22.585613	2.063879	0	1671
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		0.56	122.17	261.53	278	377.25	441.53	112.31	36.67	4	0	1634
C	Second Home Premium		0.00211	0.4612788	0.98746213	1.0496481	1.4243876	1.6670904	0.4240503	0.1384554	0.015103	0	6.17
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0.00683	1.4897526	3.18912165	3.3899584	4.6002223	5.3840587	1.3695188	0.4471575	0.048776	0	19.93
E	Total		0.56	122.8	259.33	277.5	374.27	442.81	113.45	37.64	4.13	0	1632
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												1591.68
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												1591.68

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Ref.	250 - LLANGUNNOR		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/73
H	Chargeable Dwellings	50	0	55	255	117	238	364	131	46	7	0	1213
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	50	0	48	131	32	104	111	32	6	2	0	466
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	2.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		0	43.331656	224.249654	110.13112	214.47556	341.00412	125.0553	45.358003	6.650385	0	1110
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		0	28.67	172.86	97.78	214	410.97	177.67	74.17	13	0	1189
C	Second Home Premium		0	0.0531252	0.32030749	0.1811852	0.3965394	0.7615224	0.3292204	0.1374361	0.024089	0	2.20
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0	0.278531	1.67934641	0.9499392	2.0790243	3.9926009	1.7260759	0.7205665	0.126296	0	11.55
E	Total		0	28.89	174.42	97.89	214.48	416.78	180.64	75.6	13.3	0	1202
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												1171.95
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												1171.95

Ref.	251 - LLANGYNIN		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/74
H	Chargeable Dwellings	51	0	0	7	3	23	64	20	6	0	0	123
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	51	0	0	2	3	8	11	9	0	0	0	33
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		0	0	6.61610556	2.2958915	21.481861	62.96772	18.338329	6.2294576	0	0	118
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		0	0	5.06	2	21	74.86	25.64	10	0	0	139
C	Second Home Premium		0	0	0.03218629	0.0127219	0.1335795	0.476179	0.1630942	0.0636093	0	0	0.88
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0	0	0.08391927	0.0331697	0.3482816	1.2415409	0.4252352	0.1658484	0	0	2.30
E	Total		0	0	5.15	2.04	21.48	76.96	26.49	10.38	0	0	143
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												138.94
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												138.94

Ref.	252 - LLANGYNOG		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/75
H	Chargeable Dwellings	52	0	7	15	16	36	89	52	6	2	0	223
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	52	0	2	9	4	13	19	7	1	0	0	55
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		0	6.646976	13.0867211	15.452469	33.861655	87.745178	52.713631	6.0751802	2.135775	0	218
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		0	4.33	9.92	13.33	32.75	102.97	72.58	9.58	4	0	249
C	Second Home Premium		0	0.0382459	0.08762117	0.1177409	0.2892735	0.9095112	0.6410831	0.084618	0.035331	0	2.20
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0	0.1087301	0.24909992	0.334728	0.8223813	2.5856673	1.8225476	0.2405622	0.100444	0	6.26
E	Total		0	4.43	10.18	13.74	33.86	107.24	76.14	10.13	4.27	0	260
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												253.49
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												253.49

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Ref.	253 - LLANLLAWDDOG		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/76
H	Chargeable Dwellings	53	0	5	20	20	64	118	70	23	2	1	323
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	53	0	2	14	11	15	23	11	2	0	0	78
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		0	4.5615814	16.7633632	17.564681	61.48676	115.06612	69.244006	23.269768	2.082109	1.0478282	311
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		0	3	12.83	15.33	60.25	137.19	97.14	37.5	4	2.33	370
C	Second Home Premium		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0	0.0615814	0.2633632	0.3146811	1.2367602	2.8161183	1.9940063	0.7697677	0.082109	0.0478282	7.59
E	Total		0	3.04	13.04	15.61	61.49	140.64	100.02	38.78	4.16	2.44	379
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												369.74
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												369.74

Ref.	254 - LLANPUMSAINT		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/77
H	Chargeable Dwellings	54	0	4	19	34	63	119	57	14	3	0	313
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	54	0	2	11	9	13	29	13	1	2	0	80
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		0	3.533273	16.4305022	32.152988	60.617524	113.70039	54.858718	14.077303	2.571401	0	298
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		0	2.33	12.64	28.22	60.75	136.58	77.64	22.92	5	0	346
C	Second Home Premium		0	0.0059339	0.03219058	0.0718685	0.1547134	0.3478315	0.1977276	0.0583709	0.012734	0	0.88
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0	0.0273391	0.14831163	0.3311198	0.7128111	1.6025635	0.9109901	0.2689322	0.058668	0	4.06
E	Total		0	2.36	12.78	28.58	60.62	138.97	79.24	23.46	5.14	0	351
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												342.37
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												342.37

Ref.	255 - LLANSTEFFAN & LLANYBRI		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/78
H	Chargeable Dwellings	55	0	111	43	81	81	126	97	38	3	3	583
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	55	0	9	28	33	27	35	22	6	1	0	161
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	0.00	1.00	4.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		0	112.10449	37.3316161	75.906458	77.685458	123.88078	97.615347	39.314531	3.004478	3.3238816	570
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		0	72.5	28.78	68.22	74.25	143.31	132.17	60.83	5.5	7	593
C	Second Home Premium		0	1.9949668	0.79193302	1.8771949	2.0431211	3.9434302	3.6368932	1.6738459	0.151342	0.1926175	16.31
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0	1.3595212	0.53968304	1.2792626	1.3923372	2.6873515	2.478454	1.1406852	0.103136	0.1312641	11.11
E	Total		0	74.74	29.04	67.47	77.69	151.41	141	65.52	6.01	7.76	621
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												605.12
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												605.12

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Ref.	256 - LLANWINIO		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/79
H	Chargeable Dwellings	56	0	11	3	24	65	75	21	4	0	0	203
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	56	0	7	1	13	14	21	1	0	0	0	57
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		0	9.4209853	2.80930445	21.261016	63.20431	72.112479	21.580539	4.1848414	0	0	195
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		0	6.17	2.14	18.44	61.5	85.25	29.97	6.67	0	0	210
C	Second Home Premium		0	0.0388174	0.01346339	0.1160117	0.3869153	0.5363338	0.1885504	0.041963	0	0	1.32
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0	0.1321679	0.04584105	0.3950042	1.3173947	1.8261447	0.6419889	0.1428784	0	0	4.50
E	Total		0	6.28	2.19	18.9	63.2	88.14	31.17	6.97	0	0	217
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												211.43
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												211.43

Ref.	257 - MEIDRIM		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/80
H	Chargeable Dwellings	57	0	24	12	45	60	85	35	10	0	0	271
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	57	0	15	5	12	16	16	7	1	0	0	72
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		0	20.572854	10.9499305	42.914036	57.363162	83.367598	34.398644	10.138621	0	0	260
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		0	13.5	8.36	38.22	57	99	48.03	16.25	0	0	280
C	Second Home Premium		0	0.0636601	0.0394221	0.1802288	0.268787	0.4668407	0.2264884	0.0766279	0	0	1.32
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0	0.2591941	0.16050836	0.7338074	1.0943752	1.9007569	0.9221551	0.3119929	0	0	5.38
E	Total		0	13.72	8.52	38.15	57.36	101.89	49.69	16.9	0	0	286
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												279.07
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												279.07

Ref.	258 - NEWCHURCH & MERTHYR		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/81
H	Chargeable Dwellings	58	0	9	37	32	55	103	45	20	2	0	303
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	58	0	7	24	9	14	24	11	4	0	0	93
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		0	7.3240994	31.3698831	30.155629	52.290086	98.818886	43.186291	19.485865	2.061366	0	285
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		0	4.83	24.11	26.44	51.5	118.56	61.03	31.67	4	0	322
C	Second Home Premium		0	0.0066074	0.03298229	0.0361697	0.0704516	0.1621892	0.0834886	0.0433243	0.005472	0	0.44
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0	0.067492	0.33690084	0.3694591	0.7196347	1.6566969	0.8528021	0.4425404	0.055894	0	4.50
E	Total		0	4.88	24.4	26.81	52.29	120.78	62.38	32.48	4.12	0	328
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												319.94
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
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Ref.	259 - PENDINE		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/82
H	Chargeable Dwellings	59	0	14	16	24	26	32	30	18	0	0	160
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	59	0	6	7	7	10	12	5	2	0	0	49
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	2.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.00	0.00	4
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		0	12.949113	14.7645985	23.16866	24.637876	30.645972	30.678815	18.931866	0	0	156
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		0	9.67	11.08	19.78	24.5	35.44	41.53	30.83	0	0	173
C	Second Home Premium		0	0.1232837	0.1412599	0.252177	0.3123527	0.4518277	0.5294697	0.3930544	0	0	2.20
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0	0.3258289	0.37333856	0.6664835	0.825523	1.1941443	1.3993457	1.0388112	0	0	5.82
E	Total		0	8.63	11.48	20.59	24.64	37.46	44.31	31.55	0	0	179
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												174.19
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												174.19

Ref.	260 - ST CLEARS TOWN		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/83
H	Chargeable Dwellings	60	1	80	172	424	264	291	202	35	2	0	1471
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	60	1	49	94	153	83	78	49	11	2	0	520
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		0.75672	68.473081	150.348923	391.23898	247.14394	276.81193	194.13747	33.110429	1.548024	0	1364
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		0.42	45.17	115.5	342.89	243.25	331.83	274.08	53.75	3	0	1410
C	Second Home Premium		0.00144	0.1553051	0.39711629	1.1789369	0.836351	1.14091	0.9423518	0.1848052	0.010315	0	4.85
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0.00528	0.5677758	1.45180655	4.3100428	3.0575926	4.1710214	3.4451181	0.6756243	0.037709	0	17.72
E	Total		0.42	45.65	116.94	347.77	247.14	338.33	280.42	55.18	3.1	0	1435
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												1399.08
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												1399.08

Ref.	261 - ST ISHMAELS		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/84
H	Chargeable Dwellings	61	0	197	106	149	197	123	71	36	7	0	886
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	61	0	14	54	57	61	31	13	7	1	0	238
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.00	0.00	2
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		0	196.86541	94.3768007	137.87487	186.51766	118.92481	70.303012	35.782694	7.102194	0	848
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		0	129	71.94	119.78	182.75	140.86	97.86	58.75	13.5	0	814
C	Second Home Premium		0	1.3262106	0.73959371	1.2314225	1.8787983	1.4481397	1.0060695	0.6039912	0.138789	0	8.37
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0	2.0391952	1.13720698	1.893448	2.8888598	2.2266747	1.5469429	0.9287032	0.213404	0	12.87
E	Total		0	131.24	73.4	122.56	186.52	145.35	101.55	59.64	14.2	0	834
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												813.60
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												813.60

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Ref.	262 - TRELECH A'R BETWS		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/85
H	Chargeable Dwellings	62	0	4	6	34	92	110	52	9	0	0	307
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	62	0	1	2	14	17	26	6	1	0	0	67
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		0	3.7932162	5.57398621	30.968637	89.26689	105.70783	51.760877	9.0020371	0	0	296
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		0	2.5	4.28	27.11	87.75	127.72	72.94	14.58	0	0	337
C	Second Home Premium		0	0.0065407	0.01119765	0.0709272	0.2295779	0.3341504	0.1908309	0.0381453	0	0	0.88
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0	0.0366756	0.06278856	0.3977098	1.2873121	1.873681	1.0700461	0.2138919	0	0	4.94
E	Total		0	2.53	4.34	27.53	89.27	129.2	74.77	15	0	0	343
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												334.07
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												334.07

Ref.	263 - WHITLAND		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/86
H	Chargeable Dwellings	63	2	170	126	308	160	126	39	15	0	0	946
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	63	0	99	66	119	56	34	3	1	0	0	378
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	0.00	2.00	3.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		2.01899	146.90648	110.983526	282.52677	148.49763	119.95675	39.195166	15.170492	0	0	865
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		1.11	96.83	86.72	250	146	143.61	55.25	24.58	0	0	804
C	Second Home Premium		0.00608	0.5306744	0.4752668	1.3701188	0.8001494	0.787051	0.3027962	0.1347101	0	0	4.41
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0.01291	1.1258044	1.00825939	2.9066518	1.6974847	1.6696971	0.6423701	0.285782	0	0	9.35
E	Total		1.12	97.94	86.32	251.13	148.5	146.61	56.62	25.28	0	0	814
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												793.18
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												793.18

Ref.	264 - CENARTH		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/87
H	Chargeable Dwellings	64	0	79	23	49	100	171	97	17	2	0	538
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	64	0	12	16	23	33	41	23	0	0	0	148
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		0	77.052331	19.3069558	44.048334	93.655494	164.83035	93.987473	17.588367	2.083073	0	513
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		0	50.67	14.78	38.44	91.75	196.47	131.81	28.33	4	0	556
C	Second Home Premium		0	0.5620011	0.16393086	0.4263533	1.0176357	2.1791269	1.4619571	0.3142193	0.044366	0	6.17
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0	0.4903298	0.14302496	0.371981	0.8878579	1.9012256	1.2755156	0.2741473	0.038708	0	5.38
E	Total		0	51.37	15.02	39.15	93.66	201.46	135.76	29.31	4.17	0	570
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												555.65
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												555.65

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Ref.	265 - LLANFIHANGEL AR ARTH		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/88
H	Chargeable Dwellings	65	0	48	181	168	198	251	114	28	1	0	989
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	65	0	26	87	69	69	61	29	8	1	0	350
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		0	42.305365	162.85508	154.65022	186.04003	244.17214	111.28007	27.261167	0.793659	0	929
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		0	27.67	123.86	134	181.75	289.36	155.64	43.33	1.5	0	957
C	Second Home Premium		0	0.2038429	0.91246764	0.9871683	1.3389391	2.1316941	1.1465886	0.319209	0.01105	0	7.05
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0	0.6015225	2.69261204	2.9130471	3.9510919	6.2904426	3.3834825	0.9419577	0.032609	0	20.81
E	Total		0	28.2	126.67	137.47	186.04	298.43	160.74	45.44	1.59	0	985
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												959.97
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												959.97

Ref.	266 - LLANFIHANGEL RHOS Y CORN		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/89
H	Chargeable Dwellings	66	0	15	27	58	55	50	25	6	0	0	236
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	66	0	8	14	22	16	13	4	2	0	0	79
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		0	13.189929	23.9004507	53.522376	52.117231	48.001737	24.759498	5.7008825	0	0	221
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		0	8.67	18.28	46.67	51	57.14	34.67	9.17	0	0	226
C	Second Home Premium		0	0.0508077	0.10712396	0.2734943	0.2988688	0.3348503	0.2031722	0.0537378	0	0	1.32
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0	0.1391216	0.29332675	0.7488818	0.8183624	0.9168868	0.5563259	0.1471448	0	0	3.62
E	Total		0	8.79	18.59	47.58	52.12	58.67	35.76	9.5	0	0	231
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												225.23
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												225.23

Ref.	267 - LLANGELER		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/90
H	Chargeable Dwellings	67	0	49	181	409	264	472	178	24	4	1	1582
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	67	0	18	121	166	81	121	36	3	1	0	547
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	0.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	2.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		0	45.006291	152.764073	373.08951	247.92643	451.00488	173.16551	23.911233	3.877981	1.0397593	1472
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		0	29.67	118.03	327.56	244.75	542.36	244.11	38.75	7.5	2.33	1555
C	Second Home Premium		0	0.1177136	0.46827563	1.299571	0.9710282	2.1517747	0.9684891	0.1537379	0.029756	0.0092441	6.17
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0	0.3885777	1.54579786	4.2899394	3.2054056	7.1031003	3.1970238	0.5074953	0.098225	0.0305152	20.37
E	Total		0	30	118.82	331.64	247.93	551.23	250.13	39.85	7.76	2.43	1580
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												1540.30
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												1540.30

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Ref.	268 - LLANLLWNI		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/91
H	Chargeable Dwellings	68	0	9	20	42	61	133	31	19	0	1	316
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	68	0	4	13	17	17	38	8	4	0	0	101
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		0	8.106658	17.0107417	38.421565	57.885617	126.54506	29.838256	18.600326	0	1.0466253	297
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		0	5.33	13.03	33.56	56.75	152.17	41.89	30	0	2.33	335
C	Second Home Premium		0	0.0350512	0.08568802	0.2206976	0.3731999	1.0007019	0.2754774	0.1972863	0	0.0153226	2.20
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0	0.0716068	0.17505373	0.4508675	0.7624174	2.0443535	0.5627783	0.4030401	0	0.0313028	4.50
E	Total		0	5.4	13.23	34.15	57.89	154.67	43.1	31	0	2.44	342
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												333.33
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												333.33

Ref.	269 - LLANYBYDDER		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/92
H	Chargeable Dwellings	69	1	95	153	144	178	116	24	10	1	0	722
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	69	1	43	74	55	50	30	4	1	2	0	260
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		0.76269	85.967592	137.685237	133.77616	170.53219	112.54479	24.004019	10.241129	0.530223	0	676
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		0.42	56.83	105.39	116.67	166.5	133.83	33.22	16.25	1	0	630
C	Second Home Premium		0.00147	0.1987282	0.36853718	0.4079821	0.5822321	0.4679887	0.1161667	0.0568245	0.003497	0	2.20
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0.01123	1.5188638	2.8167	3.1181743	4.449953	3.5768001	0.8878525	0.4343047	0.026726	0	16.84
E	Total		0.42	57.31	107.09	118.91	170.53	137.55	34.67	17.07	1.06	0	645
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												628.49
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												628.49

Ref.	270 - LLANYCRWYS		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/93
H	Chargeable Dwellings	70	0	3	9	22	44	21	12	1	0	0	112
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	70	0	1	5	5	18	5	2	0	0	0	36
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		0	2.811215	7.95170857	21.366834	40.821308	20.557503	12.055618	1.0558629	0	0	107
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		0	1.83	6.03	18.44	39.5	24.14	16.61	1.67	0	0	108
C	Second Home Premium		0	0.007452	0.02455489	0.0750899	0.1608488	0.098301	0.0676379	0.0068004	0	0	0.44
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0	0.0537631	0.17715368	0.5417436	1.1604594	0.7092023	0.4879805	0.0490625	0	0	3.18
E	Total		0	1.87	6.18	18.99	40.82	25.13	17.41	1.76	0	0	112
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												109.36
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												109.36

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Ref.	271 - PENCARREG		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/94
H	Chargeable Dwellings	71	0	18	28	120	123	151	94	18	1	0	553
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	71	0	13	15	43	41	38	15	3	0	0	168
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		0	14.933193	24.6014762	111.05975	114.85122	144.72292	92.679397	17.785787	1.037272	0	522
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		0	9.83	18.86	97.11	112.75	172.94	130.36	28.75	2	0	573
C	Second Home Premium		0	0.0453922	0.08709032	0.4484274	0.5206486	0.7985896	0.6019668	0.1327596	0.009235	0	2.64
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0	0.1378003	0.26438584	1.3613207	1.5805675	2.4243313	1.8274305	0.4030272	0.028037	0	8.03
E	Total		0	9.96	19.13	98.72	114.85	176.88	133.87	29.64	2.07	0	585
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												570.49
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												570.49

Ref.	272 - NEWCASTLE EMLYN TOWN		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/95
H	Chargeable Dwellings	72	0	74	100	156	68	100	44	14	3	0	559
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	72	0	46	56	76	34	35	7	2	4	0	260
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		0	63.597316	87.761446	140.20689	61.066842	94.186972	43.857132	14.092503	2.105334	0	507
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		0	41.67	66.89	121.78	59.5	111.53	61.03	22.5	4	0	489
C	Second Home Premium		0	0.1502421	0.24117341	0.4390805	0.2145286	0.4021239	0.220045	0.0811243	0.014422	0	1.76
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0	0.9470737	1.52027261	2.7678098	1.3523131	2.5348483	1.3870868	0.5113789	0.090912	0	11.11
E	Total		0	42.4	68.26	124.63	61.07	115.12	63.35	23.49	4.21	0	503
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												489.97
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												489.97

Ref.	273 - CARMARTHEN		A-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	TOTAL 2024/96
H	Chargeable Dwellings	73	2	869	1876	1384	1301	884	453	122	10	0	6901
I	No. of Discounts at 25%	73	2	601	935	583	487	239	117	26	4	0	2994
J	Adjustments for year		0.00	0.00	1.00	5.00	5.00	4.00	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	16
H-(I*E)+J	Total Discounted Dwellings		1.51214	725.75606	1660.93711	1254.4081	1196.5652	839.05122	432.72057	118.31459	9.263182	0	6239
F/G	Ratio to Band D		5/9	6/9	7/9	8/9	1	11/9	13/9	15/9	18/9	21/9	
A	Band D Equivalent		0.83	479.17	1278.08	1105.11	1184.25	1012.31	613.53	192.5	18	0	5884
C	Second Home Premium		0.00143	0.8254472	2.20169785	1.9037293	2.0400606	1.7438664	1.0569039	0.3316121	0.031008	0	10.14
D	Long Term Empty Premium		0.01071	6.1806112	16.4854134	14.254347	15.27514	13.057359	7.913664	2.4829761	0.232174	0	75.89
E	Total		0.84	483.84	1291.84	1115.03	1196.57	1025.51	625.04	197.19	18.53	0	5954
E x 97.5%	TAX BASE AT 97.5% COLLECTION RATE												5805.53
	Adjustment for Class O Dwellings												
	Tax Base 2023/24												5805.53

Cabinet 11/12/2023

MID-YEAR TREASURY MANAGEMENT AND PRUDENTIAL INDICATOR REPORT 1ST APRIL 2023 TO 30TH SEPTEMBER 2023

Recommendations / key decisions required:

That the Cabinet considers and approves the report.

Reasons:

To provide members with an update on the treasury management activities from 1st April 2023 to 30th September 2023.

Cabinet Decision Required YES

Council Decision Required YES

CABINET MEMBER PORTFOLIO HOLDER:- Cllr. A. Lenny

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**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
CABINET
11TH DECEMBER 2023**

SUBJECT

**Treasury Management and Prudential Indicator Report
1st April 2023 to 30th September 2023**

1. To provide members with an update on the treasury management activities from 1st April 2023 to 30th September 2023.

DETAILED REPORT ATTACHED?

YES

IMPLICATIONS

I confirm that other than those implications which have been agreed with the appropriate Directors / Heads of Service and are referred to in detail below, there are no other implications associated with this report:

Signed: **C Moore** **Director of Corporate Services**

Policy, Crime & Disorder and Equalities	Legal	Finance	ICT	Risk Management Issues	Staffing Implications	Physical Assets
YES	NONE	YES	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE

1. Policy, Crime & Disorder and Equalities

Within the requirements of the Treasury Management Policy and Strategy Report 2023-2024

3. Finance

Gross interest earned on investments for the period amounted to £4.63m and interest paid on loans was £8.06m.

The Authority did not breach any of its Prudential Indicators during the period.

CONSULTATIONS

I confirm that the appropriate consultations have taken in place and the outcomes are as detailed below

Signed: **C Moore**

Director of Corporate Services

(Please specify the outcomes of consultations undertaken where they arise against the following headings)

1. Scrutiny Committee request for pre-determination	Yes
Scrutiny Committee	Corporate Performance and Resources Committee
Date the report was considered:-	13/12/2023
Scrutiny Committee Outcome/Recommendations:-	

2. Local Member(s)

N/A

3. Community / Town Council

N/A

4. Relevant Partners

N/A

5. Staff Side Representatives and other Organisations

N/A

**CABINET MEMBER PORTFOLIO
HOLDER(S) AWARE/CONSULTED**

YES

**Section 100D Local Government Act, 1972 – Access to Information
List of Background Papers used in the preparation of this report:**

THESE ARE DETAILED BELOW

Title of Document	File Ref No.	Locations that the papers are available for public inspection
CIPFA Treasury Management in the Public Services - Code of Practice Revised 2017		County Hall, Carmarthen

AGENDA ITEM NO.

PRELIMINARY CABINET

DATE: 13TH NOVEMBER 2023

MID YEAR TREASURY MANAGEMENT AND PRUDENTIAL INDICATOR REPORT

1ST April 2023 – 30TH September 2023

A. TREASURY MANAGEMENT REPORT

1. Introduction

The Treasury Management Policy and Strategy for 2023-2024 was approved by Council on 1st March 2023. Section B 1.1(2) stated that Treasury Management activity reports would be made during the year. This report outlines the Treasury Management activities in the period 1st April 2023 to 30th September 2023 and satisfies the reporting requirement stated above.

2. Economic update

In its latest monetary policy meeting on 20 September 2023, the Bank of England left interest rates unchanged at 5.25%. The weak August CPI inflation release, the recent loosening in the labour market and the downbeat activity surveys appear to have convinced the Bank of England that it has already raised rates far enough.

As the growing drag from higher interest rates intensifies over the next six months, our advisors think the economy will continue to lose momentum and soon fall into a mild recession. Strong labour demand, fast wage growth and government handouts have all supported household incomes over the past year. With CPI inflation past its peak and expected to decline further, the economy has got through the cost-of-living crisis without recession. It is expected that the Bank of England will keep interest rates at the probable peak of 5.25% until the second half of 2024.

3. Prospects for Interest Rates

Based on the average projection from a number of sources we can expect the trend in base rates over the year to be as follows:

	Dec 2023	Mar 2024	Jun 2024	Sep 2024	Dec 2024
Base Rate %	5.25	5.25	5.25	5.00	4.50

(Source: LINK Asset Services)

Link Asset Services undertook its last review of interest rate forecasts on 27th September 2023 after the MPC meeting on 20th September 2023, where the decision was made to leave the Bank Rate unchanged at 5.25%.

The revised 3 year projection based on this review is:

	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26
	%	%	%
Revised Average Bank Rate	5.19	4.69	3.00
Original Average Bank Rate (TM Strategy 2023-24)	4.44	3.63	2.69

4. Investments

One of the primary activities of the Treasury Management operation is the investment of surplus cash for which the Authority is responsible. As well as the Authority's own cash the County Council invests School Trust Funds and other Funds, with any interest derived from these investments being passed over to the relevant Fund.

All surplus money is invested daily on the London Money Markets. The security of the investments is the main priority; appropriate liquidity should be maintained and returns on the investments a final consideration. It continues to be difficult to invest these funds as the market continues to be insecure and as a consequence, appropriate counterparties are limited.

The total investments at 1st April 2023 and 30th September 2023 analysed between Banks, Building Societies, Local Authorities and Money Market Funds, are shown in the following table:

Investments	01.04.23				30.09.23			
	Call and notice	Fixed Term	Total		Call and notice	Fixed Term	Total	
	£m	£m	£m	%	£m	£m	£m	%
Banks	27.50	14.00	41.50	28	27.50	14.00	41.50	23
Building Societies	0.00	7.00	7.00	5	0.00	7.00	7.00	4
Money Market Funds	40.00	0.00	40.00	27	45.00	0.00	45.00	25
DMADF (DMO)	0.00	20.00	20.00	13	0.00	67.50	67.50	37
Local Authorities	0.00	40.00	40.00	27	0.00	20.00	20.00	11
TOTAL	67.50	81.00	148.50	100	72.50	108.50	181.00	100

Investments on call are available immediately on demand. Fixed term investments are fixed to a maturity date. The current longest investment is maturing on 5th July 2024.

During the period the total investments made by the Council and repaid to the Council (turnover) amounted to £879.50m. This averaged approximately £33.64m per week or £4.81m per day. A summary of turnover is shown below:

	£m
Total Investments 1st April 2023	148.50
Investments made during the quarter	456.00
Sub Total	604.50
Investments Repaid during the quarter	(423.50)
Total Investments at 30 September 2023	181.00

The main aims of the Treasury Management Strategy is to appropriately manage the cash flows of the Council, the required short term and longer term market transactions and the risks associated with this activity. Lending on the money market secures an optimum rate of return and also allows for diversification of investments and hence reduction of risk, which is of paramount importance in today's financial markets.

Benchmarks are widely used to assess investment performance. For the period under review the average "90-day un compounded SONIA rate" was 4.44% whereas the actual rate the Council earned was 4.40%, a marginal under performance of 0.04%.

The average gross interest earned on investments for the period amounted to £4.63m. This includes £859k interest on the average balance of £39m held for the Swansea Bay City Deal region.

The income from investments is used by the Authority to reduce the net overall costs to the Council taxpayer.

5. Security, Liquidity and Yield (SLY)

Within the Treasury Management Strategy Statement for 2023-2024, the Council's investment priorities are:

- Security of Capital
- Liquidity and
- Yield

The Council aims to achieve the optimum return (yield) on investments commensurate with proper levels of security and liquidity. In the current economic climate it is considered appropriate to keep investments short term to cover short term cash flow needs but also to seek out value available in significantly higher rates in periods up to 12 months with highly credit rated financial institutions.

Attached at Appendix 1 is the Investment Summary and Top 10 Counterparty Holdings as at 30th September 2023.

6. Borrowing

One of the methods used to fund capital expenditure is long term borrowing. The principal lender for Local Authorities is the Public Works Loan Board (PWLB).

Under the Treasury Management Strategy, it was agreed to borrow when interest rates are at their most advantageous.

The total loans at 1st April 2023 and 30th September 2023 are shown in the following table:

Loans	Balance at 01.04.23 £m	Balance at 30.09.23 £m	Net Increase/ (Net Decrease) £m
Public Works Loan Board (PWLB)	397.61	389.61	(8.00)
Market Loan	3.00	3.00	0.00
Salix, Invest to Save, HILS & TCL	9.96	9.82	(0.14)
TOTAL	410.57	402.43	(8.14)

The Salix interest free loans have been provided by an independent publicly funded company dedicated to providing the public sector with loans for energy efficiency projects.

The interest free 'Invest-2-Save' funding is to assist in the conversion of traditional street lighting to LED, which will help deliver a legacy of reduced energy costs and associated carbon taxes.

The Home Improvement Loan Scheme (HILS) repayable funding is provided by the Welsh Government to help individual homeowners, small portfolio landlords, developers and charities to improve homes and increase housing supply.

The Town Centre Loan (TCL) repayable funding is provided by the Welsh Government to provide loans to reduce the number of vacant, underutilised and redundant sites and premises in town centres and to support the diversification of the town centres by encouraging more sustainable uses for empty sites and premises, such as residential, leisure and for key services.

6.1 New Borrowing

No new loans were borrowed during the period.

6.2 Interest Paid

Interest paid on loans during the period was:

PWLB Interest Paid £m	Market Loan Interest Paid £m	Total Interest Paid £m
7.99	0.07	8.06

7. Rescheduling and Premature Loan Repayments

No rescheduling opportunities arose during the period and there were no premature loan repayments. However, due to the current economic climate and the consequential structure of interest rates, opportunities may arise in the future.

8. Leasing

No leases were negotiated during the period 1st April 2023 to 30th September 2023.

B. PRUDENTIAL INDICATOR REPORT

1. Prudential Indicators

As part of the 2023-2024 Budget and the Treasury Management Policy and Strategy 2023-2024, the Council adopted a number of Prudential Indicators. These Indicators are designed to ensure that any borrowing or other long-term liabilities entered into for capital purposes were affordable, sustainable and prudent.

The indicators are required by the Local Government Act 2003 and the Revised Prudential Code of Practice in order to control Capital Finance. The Prudential Code also required that those Prudential Indicators that were forward looking should be monitored and reported. Some of the indicators are monitored by officers monthly and are only reported if they are likely to be breached, others are to be monitored quarterly by the Executive Board.

1.1 Affordability Prudential Indicator

1.1.1 Ratio of Financing Costs to Net Revenue Stream

The indicator set for 2023-2024 in the Budget was:

	2023-2024 %
Non-HRA	3.45
HRA	28.03

An examination of the assumptions made in calculating this indicator concluded that there have been no changes in this period.

1.2 Prudence Prudential Indicators

1.2.1 Capital Financing Requirement (CFR)

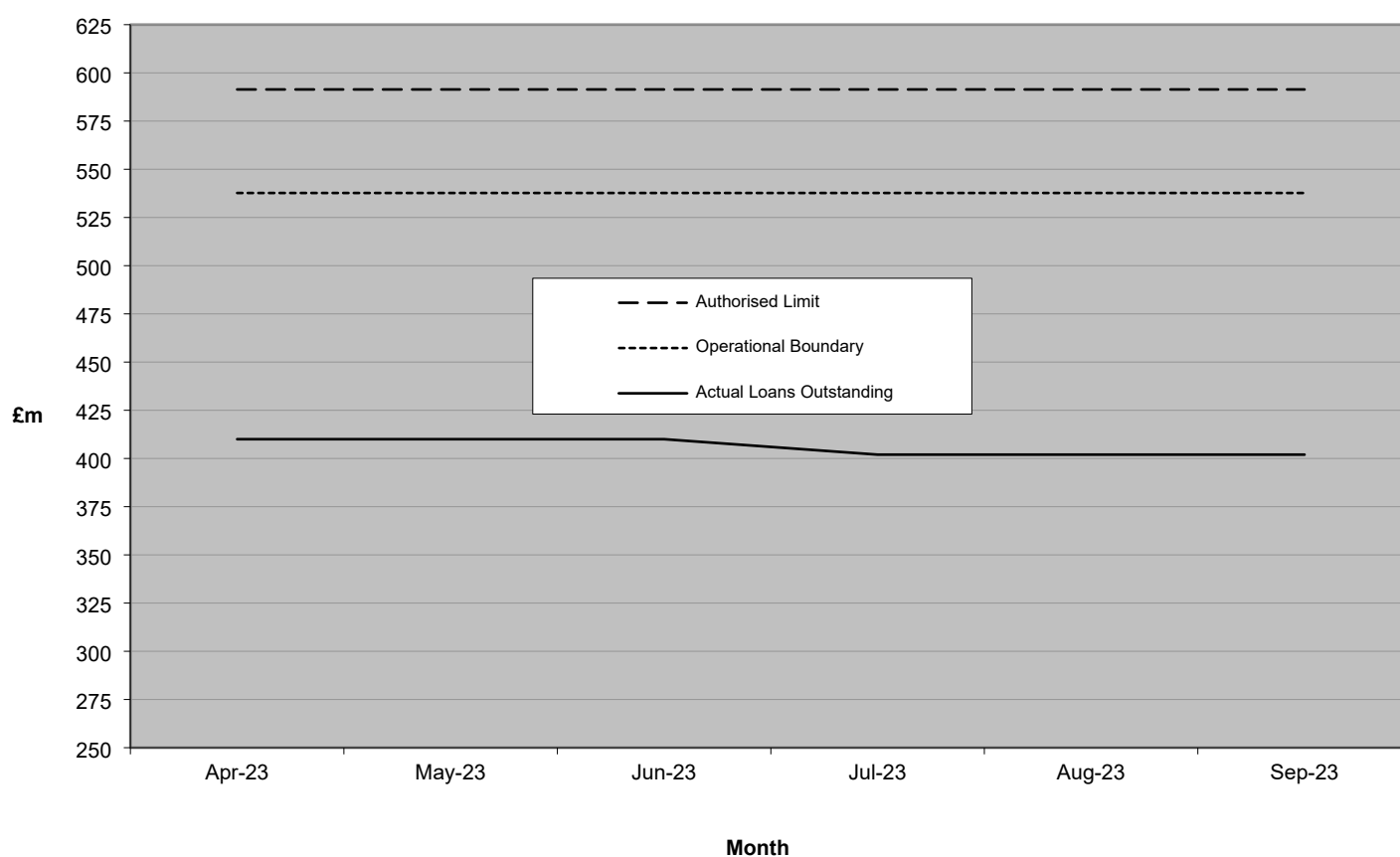
The Director of Corporate Services reports that no difficulties are envisaged for the current or future years in complying with this prudential indicator.

	2023-2024 Estimate £m	As at 30.09.23 £m	2023-2024 Forecast £m
Capital Financing Requirement			
CFR - non housing	305	290	290
CFR - housing	166	167	167
CFR - housing subsidy buy-out	67	67	67
Total CFR	538	524	524

1.2.2. Authorised Limit and Operational Boundary

The actual value of loans outstanding must not exceed the Authorised Limit. In normal activity actual loans outstanding should be close but less than the Operational Boundary. The Operational Boundary can be breached in the short term due to adverse cash flows.

	Authorised Limit for External Debt		Operational Boundary for External Debt	
	2023-24	2023-24	2023-24	2023-24
	Estimate	Forecast	Estimate	Forecast
	£m	£m	£m	£m
Borrowing	590.9	590.9	537.6	537.6
Other Long-Term Liabilities	0.5	0.5	0.1	0.1
Total	591.4	591.4	537.7	537.7



	Apr-23	May-23	Jun-23	Jul-23	Aug-23	Sep-23
	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m
Authorised Limit	591.4	591.4	591.4	591.4	591.4	591.4
Operational Boundary	537.7	537.7	537.7	537.7	537.7	537.7
Loans Outstanding	410	410	410	402	402	402

Neither the Authorised Limit nor the Operational Boundary have been breached.

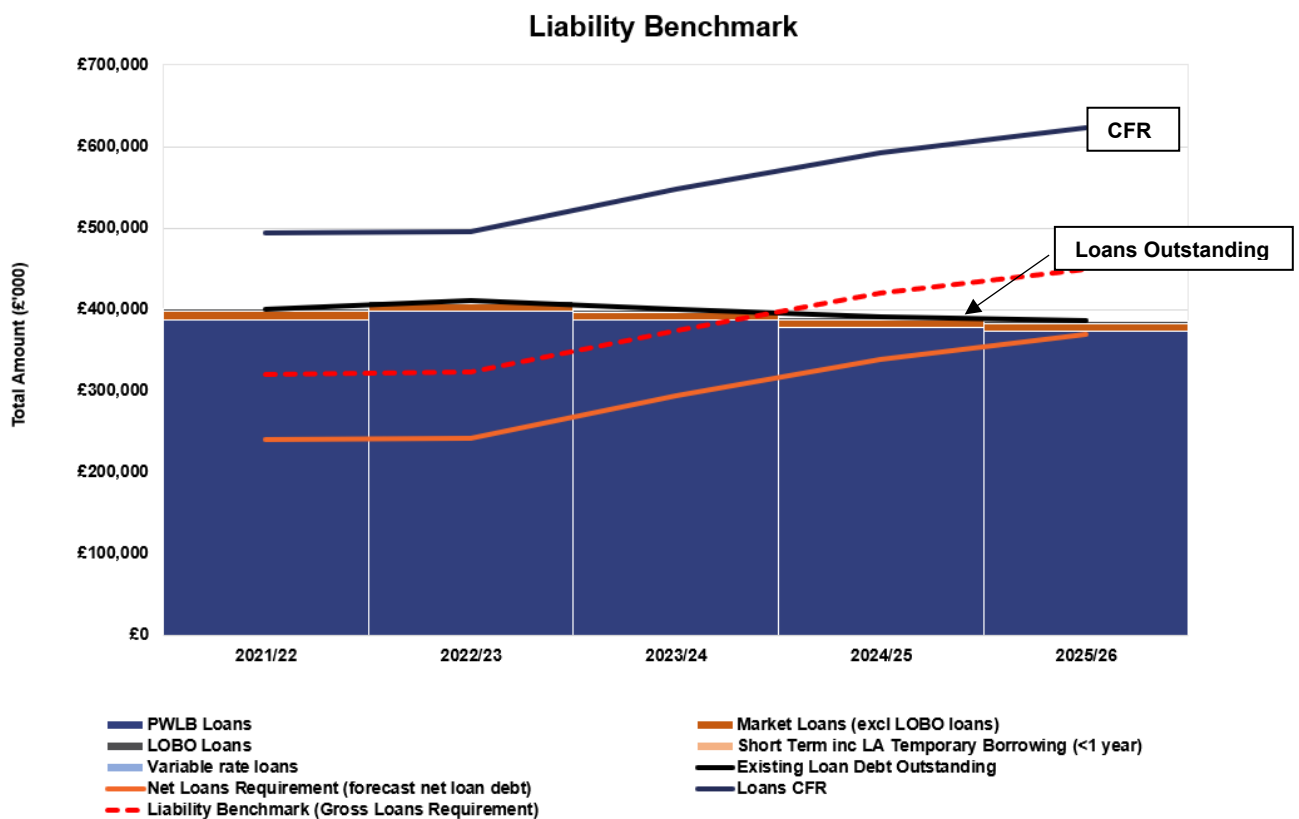
1.3 Liability Benchmark

1.3.1 Liability Benchmark

A new Prudential Indicator for 2023/2024 is the Liability Benchmark. The Council is required to estimate and measure the Liability Benchmark for the forthcoming year and the following two years. The liability benchmark is a measure of how well the existing loans portfolio matches the Council's planned borrowing needs.

There are four components to the Liability Benchmark:

- **Existing Loan Debt Outstanding:** The Council's existing loans that are still outstanding in future years.
- **Loans CFR:** This is calculated in accordance with the loans CFR definition in the Prudential Code and projected into the future based on approved prudential borrowing and planned Minimum Revenue Provision (MRP).
- **Net Loans Requirement:** This will show the Council's gross loan debt less treasury management investments at the last financial year-end, projected into the future and based on its approved prudential borrowing, planned MRP and any other major cash flows forecasted.
- **Liability Benchmark:** This equals net loans requirement plus short-term liquidity allowance.



The purpose of this prudential indicator is to compare the Council's existing loans outstanding (the black line) against its future need for loan debt, or liability benchmark (the red line). If the black line is below the red line, the existing portfolio outstanding is less than the loan debt required, and the Council will need to borrow to meet the shortfall. If the black line is above the red line, the Council will (based on its current plans) have more debt than it needs, and the excess will have to be invested. The chart therefore tells a Council how much it needs to borrow, when, and to want maturities to match its planned borrowing needs.

2.1 Treasury Management Prudential Indicators

2.1.1 Interest Rate Exposure

Position as at 30th September 2023:

	Fixed Interest Rate £m	Variable Interest Rate £m	TOTAL £m
Borrowed	399.42	3.00	402.42
Invested	(108.50)	(72.50)	(181.00)
Net	290.92	(69.50)	221.42
Limit	512.00	51.00	
Proportion of Net Borrowing Actual	131.38%	(31.38)%	100.00%
Limit	150.00%*	5.00%	

The authority is within limits set by the 2023-2024 indicators.

2.1.2 Maturity Structure of Borrowing

	Structure at 30.09.23 %	Upper Limit %	Lower Limit %
Under 12 months	0.04	15	0
12 months to 2 years	2.84	15	0
2 years to 5 years	6.13	50	0
5 years to 10 years	8.56	50	0
10 years to 20 years	21.62	50	0
20 years to 30 years	22.12	50	0
30 years to 40 years	21.54	50	0
40 years and above	17.15	50	0

The authority is within the limits set by the 2023-2024 indicators.

2.1.3 Maximum Principal Sums Invested Longer than 365 Days

	2023-2024 £m
Limit	10
Actual as at 30 th September 2023	NIL

RECOMMENDATION

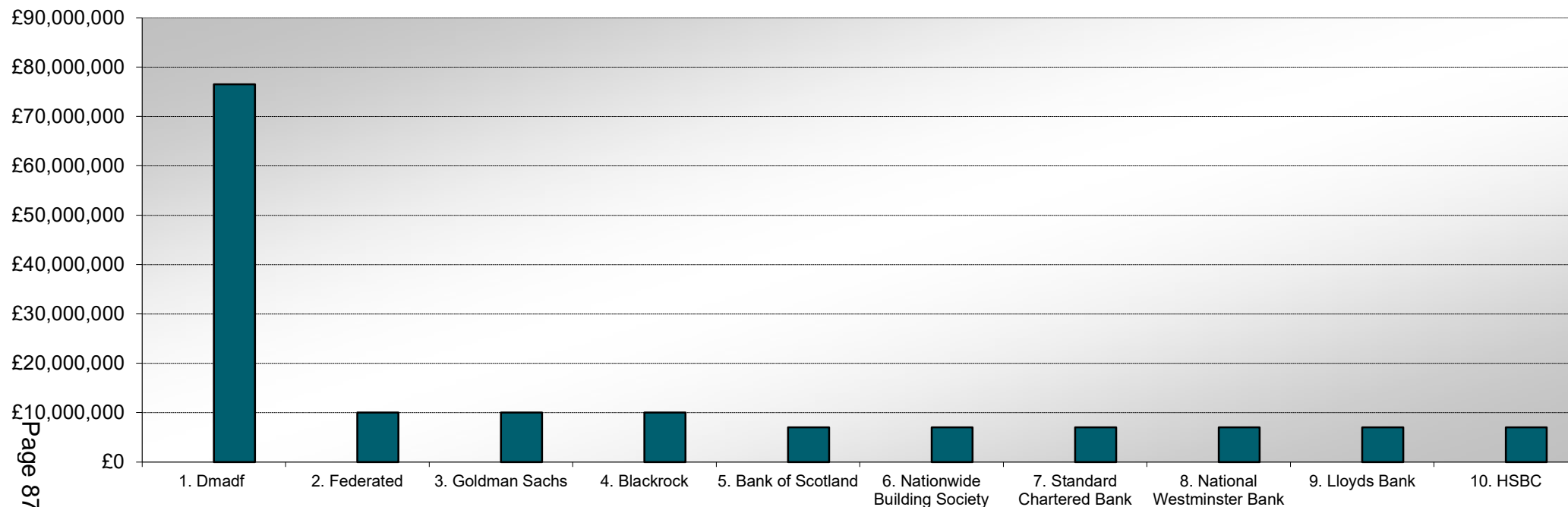
That Cabinet considers and approves the report.

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Top 10 Counterparty Holdings

Carmarthenshire County Council

Counterparty	Principal	% of Total Holding	WAM (Days)	WAYield	WADefault
1. Dmadf	£67,500,000	45.15%	38	5.28%	0.002%
2. Deutsche Bank	£10,000,000	6.69%	1	5.12%	0.000%
3. Blackrock	£10,000,000	6.69%	1	5.20%	0.000%
4. Goldman Sachs	£10,000,000	6.69%	1	5.17%	0.000%
5. Federated	£10,000,000	6.69%	1	5.30%	0.000%
6. Bank of Scotland	£7,000,000	4.68%	1	4.83%	0.000%
7. Nationwide Building Society	£7,000,000	4.68%	27	3.58%	0.007%
8. Lloyds Bank	£7,000,000	4.68%	279	6.22%	0.072%
9. Standard Chartered Bank	£7,000,000	4.68%	1	5.43%	0.000%
10. National Westminster Bank	£7,000,000	4.68%	179	4.55%	0.046%



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Totals			
Total	£181,000,000		
Calls & MMFs	£72,500,000	40%	
Fixed Deposits	£108,500,000	60%	
Specified	£72,500,000	100%	

Weighted Average			
Yield			5.00%
Maturity (Days)			
Total Portfolio	Total Portfolio		41.92
Long Term			
AAA	-		1.00
AA	F1		47.08
A	F1		70.57
BBB	F2		0.00
CCC	C		0.00

Risk Factors		
< 1 year	£10,695	0.006%
1 - 2 years	£0	0.000%
2 - 3 years	£0	0.000%
3 - 4 years	£0	0.000%
4 - 5 years	£0	0.000%
Total Portfolio	£10,695	0.006%

Maturity Structure		
< 1 Week	£75,500,000	42%
< 1 Month	£38,500,000	21%
2 - 3 Months	£43,000,000	24%
3 - 6 Months	£17,000,000	9%
6 - 9 Months	£0	0%
9 - 12 Months	£7,000,000	4%
12 Months+	£0	0%
Total	£181,000,000	100%

SLY Model

Carmarthenshire County Council

30/09/2023

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CABINET 11TH DECEMBER 2023

SUBJECT: REVISION OF THE CORPORATE SAFEGUARDING POLICY

RECOMMENDATIONS / KEY DECISIONS REQUIRED:

To endorse the revised policy.

REASONS:

The Corporate Safeguarding Policy will ensure that there is satisfactory governance in place across the Authority in relation to the Safeguarding of Children and Adults.

Cabinet Decision Required	Yes – 11th December, 2023
Council Decision Required	No

CABINET MEMBER PORTFOLIO HOLDER:-
Cllr. J. Tremlett (Health & Social Services Portfolio Holder)

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

REVISION OF THE CORPORATE SAFEGUARDING POLICY

During the period July to August 2023 the Wales Audit Office completed a review of the assurance and accountability arrangements of Carmarthenshire County Council for ensuring that safeguarding policies and procedures are in place and are being adhered to. The review examined what the Council itself has done to seek assurance that its arrangements to support safeguarding are effective by reviewing how the Council is discharging its safeguarding responsibilities at all levels: cabinet, senior management team, scrutiny, and individual officers.

The study focussed on answering the following: Do the Council's governance and management arrangements provide assurance that children are safeguarded?

The main questions that the review sought to answer were:

- Are there clear governance, accountability and management arrangements for overseeing whether the Council is meeting its safeguarding responsibilities in relation to children and adults.
- Is the Council monitoring and evaluating appropriate information, which provides assurance that it is meeting its safeguarding responsibilities to children and adults?
- Are assurance systems operating effectively?

One of the recommendations is a revision of the corporate Safeguarding Policy that covers all the Council's service areas.

DETAILED REPORT ATTACHED ?	YES
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IMPLICATIONS

I confirm that other than those implications which have been agreed with the appropriate Directors / Heads of Service and are referred to in detail below, there are no other implications associated with this report:

Signed: **Avril Bracey Head of Adult Social Care**

Policy and Crime & Disorder	Legal	Finance	ICT	Risk Management Issues	People Management	Physical Assets
None	None	None	None	Yes	None	None

5. Risk Management Issues

Safeguarding is everyone’s business. The Safeguarding Policy provides a framework for every directorate and service across the Council. It sets out responsibilities in relation to safeguarding and protects children and adults at risk. This is necessary for the Council to be assured it is fulfilling its duties in this regard.

CONSULTATIONS

I confirm that the appropriate consultations have taken place.

Signed: **Avril Bracey Head of Adult Social Care**

1. Scrutiny Committee request for pre-determination

NO

Scrutiny Committee

Date the report was considered:-

Scrutiny Committee Outcome/Recommendations:-

2. Local Member(s)

N/A

2. Community / Town Council

N/A

3. Relevant Partners

N/A

4. Staff Side Representatives and other Organisations

N/A

Section 100D Local Government Act, 1972 – Access to Information

List of Background papers used in the Preparation of this report:

THERE ARE NONE

Title of Document	File Ref No.	Locations that the papers are available for public inspection
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Corporate Safeguarding Policy

Safeguarding People in Carmarthenshire

Updated November 2023

Key Information

Statutory Director of Social Services	Jake Morgan
Lead Member Safeguarding	Cllr. Jane Tremlett Cabinet Member for Health & Social Services
Reporting a Concern Adult	0300 333 2222
Reporting a Concern Child	01554 742322
Out of Hours Adults & Children	0300 333 2222
In an Emergency – Contact Dyfed Powys Police	999

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1. Introduction

Safeguarding and protecting children and adults at risk is a priority for Carmarthenshire County Council (CCC). For the purpose of this policy, Safeguarding is defined as 'Preventing and protecting children and adults at risk from abuse or neglect and educating those around them to recognise the signs and dangers'.¹

'Corporate Safeguarding' describes the arrangements in place that a Council makes to ensure that all of its employees play their part in safeguarding and promoting the wellbeing of children and adults who may be at risk of harm'.

'Everyone – employees, contractors, volunteers and councillors have a role to play in protecting children and adults from harm, whether this is inside or outside the home. It is the Council's responsibility to ensure that staff, volunteers and contractors are aware of safeguarding in their day-to-day work for the Council and know when and how to raise concerns'.²

This Corporate Safeguarding Policy provides a framework for every Directorate and Service area within and across the Council. It sets out responsibilities in relation to safeguarding and protecting children and adults at risk and it establishes a governance framework to have oversight of arrangements to safeguard children and adults. It lays out the methods by which the Council will be assured that it is fulfilling its duties and that effective practices are in place to support individuals to live their life free from harm, abuse and neglect in a wide range of settings including home, hospital, school, learning environments, peer/friendship groups, neighbourhoods, communities and online spaces. **In Carmarthenshire Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility**

2. Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to set out the roles and responsibilities of the Council workforce including elected members and to ensure everyone is clear on their obligations to promote the safety and well-being of children, young people and adults at risk.

¹ Wales Safeguarding Procedures (2019) <https://www.safeguarding.wales/>

² WLGA (2021) Corporate Safeguarding Good Practice Guidance
<https://safeguardingboard.wales/wpcontent/uploads/sites/8/2022/05/WG-Corp-Safeguarding-Policy-Guidance.pdf>

The policy will provide a framework to prevent, detect and report neglect and abuse in respect of children, young people, and adults at risk.

The information within the policy will give assurances to the public, service users, councillors, employees, volunteers, and people working on behalf of the Council that there are sound arrangements in place to safeguard and protect children, young people and adults at risk.

This policy will provide Council employees and councillors with clear guidelines to identify when a child or adult may be at risk of harm and how to respond.

For the purpose of this policy, 'workforce' is defined as those engaged by the Council, including permanent and temporary employees, students, volunteers, workers employed by employment agencies, contractors and consultants.

The Policy covers the whole workforce and elected members, and whilst everyone will have varied levels of contact with children, young people and adults at risk, everybody should be aware of potential indicators of neglect and abuse and be clear about what to do if they have concerns.

This policy does not require the Council workforce to take on the responsibility of determining whether abuse/neglect is taking place, however, it is necessary for anyone with reasonable concern about the potential abuse or neglect of a child, young person or adult, to report that concern.

3. Principles

The Council adopts the following principles in relation to safeguarding children and adults;

- Create and maintain safe environments for children and adults with whom they are in contact.
- Ensure that when risks are identified appropriate action is taken.
- Welfare of children and adults at the heart of policies and procedures
- every child and adult has the right to be protected from harm, exploitation and abuse.

- partnership working with children, families, carers and adults is at the heart of our work to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and adults.
- Respect the rights, wishes, feelings and privacy of children and adults by listening to them and minimise any risks that may affect them.
- Ensure the whole workforce understands safeguarding and their accountabilities and responsibilities.
- Invest in early intervention and preventative work to try and avoid situations where abuse or allegations of abuse or harm may occur.
- Ensure that all tendering and commissioning contracts explicitly detail the safeguarding obligations within this policy and are managed/monitored through the life of the contract.
- Challenging poor and unsafe practice.

This policy requires effective partnership working, co-operation and collaboration between all those involved with children, young people and adults at risk to ensure that the principles above are adopted.

4. Scope

Whilst specialist children and adult services lead on dealing with enquires regarding concerns that individuals may be at risk of harm, everyone has a responsibility to safeguard the well-being of adults and children who may be at risk whatever their role.

This policy covers all functions and services of the Council and applies to all Council employees, elected members, foster carers, individuals undertaking work placements, volunteers and anyone carrying out work on behalf of the Council, including independent contractors and consultants.

The Council also has a duty to ensure that other organisations commissioned to provide services on their behalf have regard to the need to safeguard and promote the well-being of adults and children. The Council will work to safeguard children and adults in line with the Social Services and Wellbeing (Wales) Act 2014 which defines:

A child at risk is a child who is experiencing or at risk of abuse, neglect or other kinds of harm and;

- Has needs for care and support whether or not the authority is meeting any of those needs.

An adult at risk is an adult who is experiencing or is at risk of abuse or neglect and;

- Has needs for care and support whether or not the authority is meeting any of those needs and;
- As a result of those needs is unable to protect him or herself against the abuse or neglect or risk of it

5. Legislation, Policy and Guidance

Legislation which is contained within the various Acts and identified below enshrine the right to protection from abuse. The legal starting point in achieving this objective is professionals' duty to report allegations of abuse and neglect. The law also identifies the Local Authority as the lead organisation in making enquiries to identify whether an individual is at risk and in coordinating the response to protect. In practice this is never achieved in isolation or without clear leadership and accountability for the work, which is equally set out in law, along with the duty to cooperate and collaborate with others.

The Council recognises that good practice in safeguarding brings together all activity aimed at promoting safe practice and preventing abuse and neglect. For this reason, and because the law, policy, guidance and regulations change from time to time, it is impossible to provide an exhaustive list of relevant legislation and associated documents but the most significant are listed below:

- Social Services and Wellbeing (Wales) Act 2014
- Education Act 2002 – plus “Keeping Learners Safe” – The role of local authorities governing bodies and proprietors of independent schools under the Education Act 2002
- Children Act 1989 and 2004
- Section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998
- Mental Capacity Act 2005 • Mental Capacity (Amendment) Act 2019
- Violence Against Women, Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence (Wales) Act 2015
- Housing Act 2004
- Licensing Act 2003 • Human Rights Act 1998
- United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC)

- UN Principles for Older Persons and Human Rights
- Modern Slavery Act 2015 [Modern Slavery Act 2015 - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](http://www.gov.uk)
- Counter Terrorism and Security Act 2015 [Counter-Terrorism and Security Act - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](http://www.gov.uk)

The Council will ensure that practice is compliant with the following policies and procedures:

- [Wales Safeguarding Procedures](#)
- [Social Services and Wellbeing \(Wales\) Act 2014 and related Codes of Practice, Guidance and Regulations.](#)
- Working Together to Safeguard People Volume 5 – Handling Individual Cases to Protect Children at Risk³
- Working Together to Safeguard People: Volume 6 – Handling Individual Cases to Protect Adults at Risk⁴
- WLGA Corporate Safeguarding Good Practice Guidance⁵
 - Carmarthenshire cc Whistleblowing policy ([Whistleblowing Policy \(gov.wales\)](#))
 - Carmarthenshire cc DBS Policy
 - Carmarthenshire cc Behavioural Standards Policy
 - Carmarthenshire Code of Conduct

Employees and councillors should also act in accordance with the relevant professional Code of Conduct. The intention is that this Corporate Safeguarding Policy will supplement and not replace any responsibilities already set out in legislation, policy or guidance set out above or elsewhere. And those using this policy must be mindful of changes to legislation, guidance, policy and regulations that may have occurred post-publication of this document.

6. Strategic Context

At a strategic level, this approach to safeguarding is underpinned by the council's core values:

- One Team
- Integrity
- Customer First

³ <https://gov.wales/sites/default/files/publications/2019-05/working-together-to-safeguard-people-volume-5-handling-individual-cases-to-protect-children-at-risk.pdf>

⁴ [volume-6-handling-individual-cases-to-protect-adults-at-risk.pdf \(gov.wales\)](#)

⁵ [Download.aspx \(wlg.wales\)](#)

- Excellence
- Take Responsibility
- Listening

and supports the delivery of the Council's 4 wellbeing objectives as set out within the Council's Corporate Plan.

- Start Well
- Live well
- Age well
- Healthy, safe and prosperous environment

At an all Wales level, keeping people safe contributes to the Wellbeing goals set out in the Wellbeing of Future Generations Act to improve the economic, social, environmental and cultural wellbeing of Wales⁶.

7. Governance

At a corporate level, the responsibility for monitoring the effectiveness of safeguarding arrangements across the Council is delegated to the **Corporate Safeguarding Group**.

All Heads of Service have a safeguarding role and their will be a safeguarding lead Head for each directorate who will attend the corporate safeguarding group. The Council will discharge its strategic statutory safeguarding responsibilities through Designated Safeguarding Leads (DSL) in each Council Directorate. In Carmarthenshire Council, all Heads of Service assume the DSL role. The DSLs will represent their Directorate at the Corporate Safeguarding Group and act as a conduit for the dissemination of safeguarding information to and from the Corporate Safeguarding Group.

The Corporate Safeguarding Group has reporting responsibilities to the Corporate Management Team, Health and Social Services Scrutiny Committee and Cabinet

⁶[150623-guide-to-the-fg-act-en.pdf \(futuregenerations.wales\)](#)

Corporate Safeguarding Group (Safe Governance)

The Corporate Safeguarding Group provides 'Safe Governance' and, through an agreed work programme, developed and monitored by its associated corporate safeguarding delivery groups, and through close partnership working aims to ensure

the council fulfils its statutory safeguarding duties. It will ensure all service areas have robust safeguarding arrangements in place which are regularly audited and monitored.

Observations of Cabinet, Scrutiny, Internal Audit and external regulators will steer and influence the priorities of the Corporate Safeguarding Group. Under the Corporate Safeguarding Group Terms of Reference, Designated Safeguarding Leads are 'responsible for obtaining from and disseminating back into their service areas information and actions; they will be accountable for the completion of actions and tasks attributed to their service area'.

The group will publish an Annual Report which will identify changing themes, learning and strategies implemented to address those changes, draw attention to the Council's performance in complying with the Corporate Safeguarding Policy, and include an audit of each service areas' safeguarding performance.' The report will be submitted to the Health and Social Services Scrutiny Committee via the Corporate Management Team (CMT).

The Chair of the Corporate Safeguarding Group will notify the Mid and West Wales Regional Board of any urgent matters arising or emerging themes which may have regional, multi-agency relevance.

Membership of the Corporate Safeguarding Group will consist of the following officers-

- **Chair** -Director of Communities (Statutory Director of Social Services)
- Lead Member for Corporate Safeguarding (Health and Social Services)
- Deputy Chief Executive - People Management and performance
- Director of Education and Children's Services
- Head of Children Family Services
- Head of Adult Social Care
- Child Protection Service Manager (LADO)
- Adult Protection Senior Manager (LADO)
- Directorate Safeguarding Designated Safeguarding Leads (DSL)
- Delivery Group Chair - Safe Partnerships
- Delivery Group Chair - Safe Workforce & workplace
- Delivery Group Chair - Safe Practice & Performance

Designated business support will be provided. Other Officers will be co-opted as required and agreed by the group.

Members of the Corporate Safeguarding Group will take an active role in ensuring it meets its objectives. Each group member will champion safeguarding within their directorate and the wider organisation. They will be responsible for raising awareness of corporate safeguarding responsibilities and ensuring high levels of compliance.

Each group member will have urgent access to the Statutory Director of Social Services, Assistant Chief Executive or Lead Member for Corporate Safeguarding if required.

The Corporate Safeguarding Group is supported by three Delivery Groups each with their own key areas of focus. The delivery groups will meet on a quarterly basis and will regularly report to the Corporate Safeguarding Group. The groups will be chaired by a senior officer who will ensure robust oversight of the priority areas and associated action plans and performance measures. Some of the key areas of focus are listed below:

Safe Workplace/ Workforce Delivery Group

- Safeguarding as everyone's responsibility.
- Safe recruitment
- Training needs analysis
- Training Delivery
- Workforce and Workplace policies
- DBS Policy/checks
- External Contracts/ Volunteers
- Roles and responsibilities
- Awareness raising /communication.
- Reporting abuse neglect

Safe Practice and Performance Delivery Group

- Safeguarding Policies
- Performance measures
- Audits/ inspection
- Reviewing and Monitoring
- Embedding shared Learning
- Sharing information
- Improvement actions/ Good practice
- Early intervention/Prevention
- Child/Adults voice/ making safeguarding personal.
- Advocacy
- Service user involvement /feedback
- Communication

Safe Partnerships Delivery Group

- Links to MAWW Regional Safeguarding Board
- Links to Regional Partnership Board
- Links to VAWDASV Strategic board
- Links with statutory partners
- Links with CSP/Contest Board
- Multi Agency Policies and Procedures

- Multi Agency Training
- Multi Agency Audits
- Multi Agency Performance and Reviews

Regional Safeguarding Boards

In addition, the Council has a role as Lead Partner and member of the Mid and West Wales Regional Safeguarding Board. (CYSUR and CWMPAS). The Board is a multi-agency statutory partnership which works to protect and safeguard adults and children. They have responsibility:

- **To protect children who are experiencing, or are at risk of abuse, neglect or other kinds of harm and to prevent children from becoming at risk of abuse, neglect or other kinds of harm.**
- **To protect adults who, have care and support needs (whether the local authority is meeting any of those needs), and are experiencing or at risk of abuse or neglect. To prevent those adults from becoming at risk of abuse or neglect.**

The Board has a statutory duty to develop an Annual Plan on a regional basis and has an overall responsibility for challenging relevant agencies in relation to the measures that are in place to protect children and adults at risk.

CYSUR is the Mid and West Wales Regional Safeguarding Children Board. It is an acronym for Child and Youth Safeguarding; Unifying the Region and is also the Welsh word for reassurance. CYSUR is an amalgamation of the former Local Safeguarding Children Boards in Carmarthenshire, Ceredigion, Pembrokeshire and Powys.

CWMPAS is the Mid and West Wales Regional Safeguarding Adults Board. It is an acronym for Collaborative Working and Maintaining Partnership in Adult Safeguarding and is also the Welsh word for scope or remit. CWMPAS also stretches across Carmarthenshire, Ceredigion, Pembrokeshire and Powys.

CYSUR and CWMPAS are collectively known as the Mid and West Wales Regional Safeguarding Board.

Carmarthenshire Local Operational Group (LOG)

Reporting to the Mid and West Wales Safeguarding Board, the Local Operational Group (LOG) is the local operational multi-agency body for safeguarding adults and children in Carmarthenshire.

Membership of the LOG consists of managers and practitioners in Social Services, Education, Higher and Further Education, Health, Police, Probation and the Voluntary Sector.

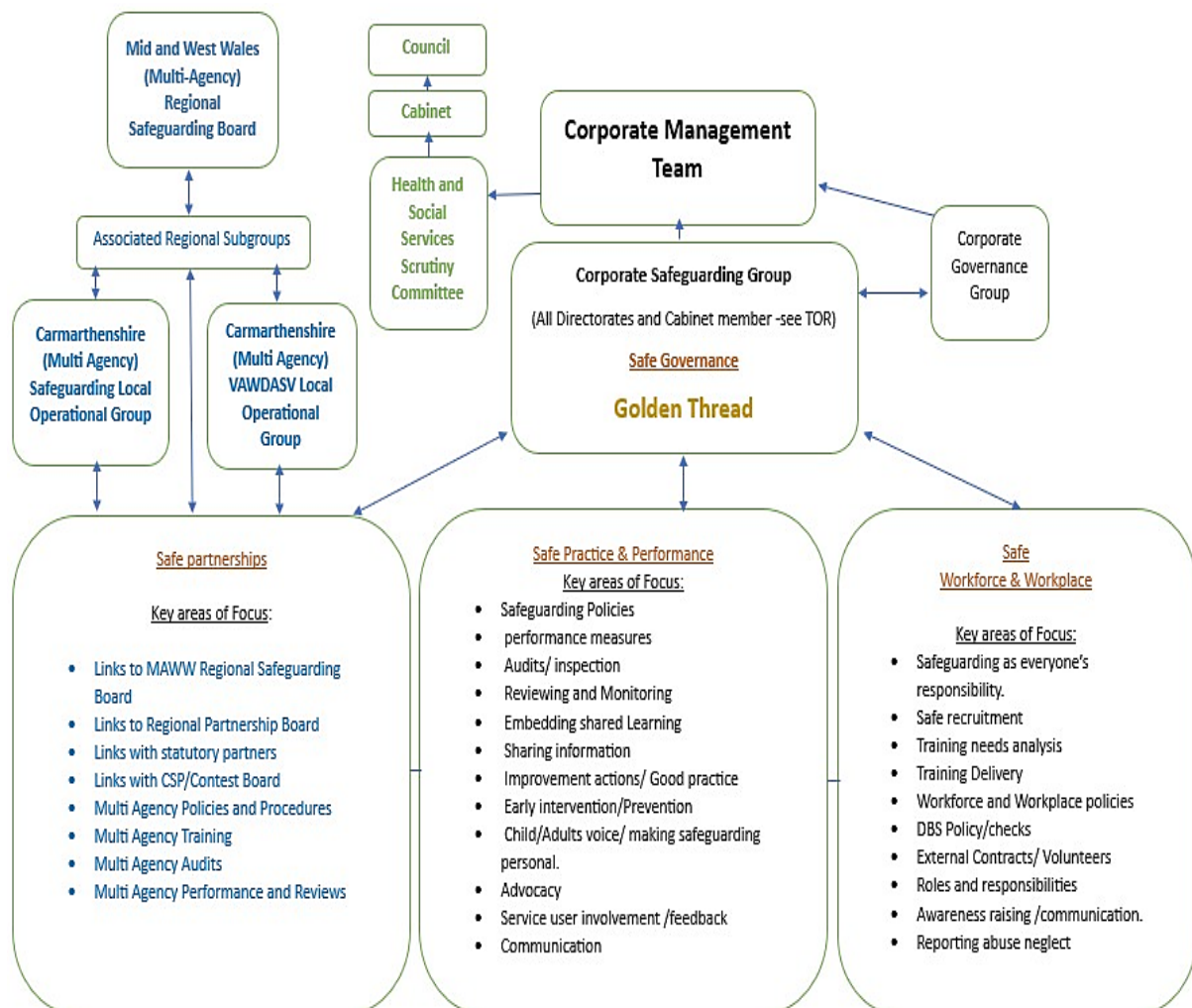
Part of the LOG's remit is to work collaboratively to ensure joint safeguarding arrangements operate effectively in Carmarthenshire.

Health and Social Services Scrutiny Committee

The role of the Scrutiny Committee is to review and scrutinise decisions and make reports or recommendations in connection with the discharge of any of the Council's functions whether by the Cabinet or another part of the Council.

The scrutiny committee will provide constructive challenge to the Council about its safeguarding activity in an impartial and independent manner.

Corporate Safeguarding Governance Structure



8. Roles and Responsibilities

Social Services (Adult and Children's Services) have the responsibility for receiving and responding to concerns about Children and Adult Services have the responsibility for receiving and responding to concerns about adults at risk. However, all staff in the Council have a responsibility for safeguarding.

All employees, councillors and volunteers have the duty to report concerns about abuse and neglect. This is not a matter of personal choice.

Statutory Director of Social Services

This role as defined by the Social Services and Well-Being Act 2014 has the final and indivisible responsibility for safeguarding issues to safeguard and promote the welfare of children and adults at risk. This role is fulfilled by Carmarthenshire Council's Director of Communities.

The Statutory Director of Social Services has legal accountability for ensuring the Council has appropriate safeguarding measures in place to protect children, young people, and adults at risk and is the Chair of the Corporate Safeguarding Group.

The Director is responsible for reporting the effectiveness of these arrangements on a corporate level to the Chief Executive, Senior Management Team, Cabinet, and Council.

The statutory Director of Social Services is the point of contact for all other Directors to report serious safeguarding concerns, which may occur in their service area.

The Statutory Director of Social Services is responsible for ensuring appropriate action is taken including reporting to the Chief Executive and Lead Cabinet Member as necessary. Where appropriate areas of concern may be reported to the Regional Safeguarding Board.

The Chief Executive

The Chief Executive will ensure that there are effective safeguarding arrangements in place, including policies and procedures, that those policies and procedures are implemented, that there are effective governance arrangements in place and that all statutory requirements are being met.

Through one-to-one meetings with the statutory Director of Social Services, the Chief Executive is kept informed of relevant safeguarding issues.

Council Leader

The Council Leader has a clear commitment to safeguarding, however, the principle responsibility for safeguarding children and adults and corporate safeguarding is included in the portfolio of the lead cabinet member for Health and Social Services.

The Council Leader is responsible overall for providing political leadership to ensure the Council fulfils its duties and responsibilities for safeguarding.

Lead Cabinet Member (Health and Social Services)

The Lead Cabinet Member for Health and Social Services acts as the lead for all aspects of Corporate Safeguarding.

The Lead member for Health and Social Services will have regular one to one meetings, with the **Statutory director for Social Services** and be kept informed and updated on relevant corporate safeguarding matters. They will also attend the Corporate Safeguarding Group.

The Lead Member will be briefed on any sensitive cases that may be considered for Child or Adult Practice Reviews or may otherwise become a matter of public interest.

The Lead Member will work closely with, and take professional advice from, a range of Senior Officers within the Authority, as appropriate. The Lead Member will liaise and consult with other Cabinet Members on individual matters likely to affect their portfolios as set out in the Council's Scheme of Delegation

Cabinet Members

Cabinet Members will have regular meetings with directors and Heads of Service to ensure there is appropriate awareness and understanding of any corporate safeguarding matters within their respective Portfolio areas.

The Statutory Director of Social Services will brief relevant cabinet members on the effectiveness of adult protection/child protection arrangements and sensitive cases, which may become the subject of an adult practice or child practice review or may otherwise become a matter of public interest.

All Elected Members

All elected members must familiarise themselves with this Policy, access training on their responsibilities and seek advice from the Director of Social Services if they are unclear about their responsibility for safeguarding.

The Corporate Safeguarding Policy will be communicated as part of the mandatory induction programme for all new elected members.

All elected members will be expected to attend training in respect of safeguarding children and adults at risk, Violence against women, domestic abuse and sexual violence and any additional safeguarding training priorities.

Elected members' duties will be to keep children, young people and adults who are at risk, safe by:

- Ensuring that everyone understands their safeguarding accountabilities and responsibilities;
- Contributing to the creation and maintenance of a safe environment;
- Promoting safe practice and challenging poor or unsafe practice;
- Identifying where there are concerns and taking appropriate action to address them.

Directors

Directors are responsible for ensuring and assuring the effectiveness of safeguarding arrangements within their respective directorates.

They are responsible for reporting any serious safeguarding concerns that may arise in their directorates to the Statutory Director of Social Services. They will brief their respective Cabinet Members on any safeguarding issues and on the general effectiveness of safeguarding arrangements and ensure that a departmental lead plays a full role within the governance arrangements of the authority.

Directors are responsible for ensuring the workforce within their Directorates are appropriately trained to identify and respond to safeguarding concerns.

Directors are responsible for ensuring that they have safeguarding operational procedures in place and Safeguarding Self-Evaluation Audits are undertaken for the relevant service areas within their Directorate.

Directors are required to report to the Corporate Safeguarding Group on safeguarding risks in their service area and the effectiveness of their directorate safeguarding arrangements.

Heads of Service

All directorates will appoint a Head of Service as a **Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL)** for their respective service area. Through their Management Teams they will be jointly responsible for ensuring that all the statutory requirements in terms of safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and adults receive due consideration.

All Heads of Service must ensure that where those posts are designated as regulated activity, their staff are checked through the Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) procedures and conform to the Policy and Guidelines for Safeguarding Children and Adults.

All Heads of Service must establish arrangements to ensure that staff comply with the requirement of this policy.

Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL)

Everyone should know who to contact in their organisation for advice and they should not hesitate to discuss their concerns no matter how insignificant they may appear. Whilst every effort should be made to contact the designated safeguarding person, anyone can contact social services directly. Every service area within the Council is required to nominate a Safeguarding Person for dealing with safeguarding children and adult issues. In Carmarthenshire this is the Head of Service. They are responsible for:

- Acting as an overarching and key source of advice and support for other staff in their Service on all safeguarding issues
- Ensuring robust arrangements are in place for staff to access day to day practice advice and support for safeguarding from their line managers
- Support staff to refer or take the lead in reporting safeguarding concerns to Social Services as appropriate
- Being familiar with the Council's Corporate Safeguarding Policy and the Wales Safeguarding Procedures as they relate to Children's and Adult's safeguarding
- Ensuring the operational procedures for safeguarding within the directorate are compliant with legislation and statutory guidance and are issued to all staff
- Representing their service area on the Corporate Safeguarding Group
- Ensuring compliance with policies and guidance within their service area and reporting this to the Corporate Safeguarding Group
- Attending relevant training
- Ensuring members of the workforce within their Services attend training at levels appropriate to their roles and functions and maintain management information in relation to attendance on training
- Ensuring safeguarding responsibilities are highlighted through staff induction processes, team meetings, supervision and staff briefings
- Ensuring safeguarding audits are completed regularly

Local Authority Designated Officer (LADO)

All Local Authorities will have an identified senior manager responsible for safeguarding who is accountable and responsible for allegations against professionals and those in a position of trust. The title given to the role is the Local Authority Designated Officer (LADO) Carmarthenshire Council has a LADO for Children's services and a LADO for Adult Services. The LADO will also work with children's and adults' services to give advice and guidance on safeguarding.

Line Managers and Supervisors

Every line manager / supervisor is responsible for ensuring that the workforce for whom they are responsible (including agency, consultants, and volunteers) receive the training they need, in accordance with the national training standards, proportionate to their role and responsibilities.

Managers must proactively analyse where risks to safeguarding are most likely to arise in their particular service(s) and ensure they have appropriate operational procedures and supporting systems in place to manage these well.

They must ensure safeguarding is part of every employee / volunteer's induction and identify anyone who is likely to come into contact with children or adults at risk as part of their role. Safeguarding should then be a standardised item on staff supervision and team meetings.

Managers must ensure that all employees / volunteers are aware of how to report safeguarding concerns and to whom and that they are aware of the Council's Whistleblowing Policy.

Managers are responsible for ensuring employees / volunteers are aware that they must conduct themselves in a manner that safeguards and promotes the wellbeing of children and adults at risk.

Managers must provide employees / volunteers with guidance about responding to safeguarding concerns as required.

Managers must ensure that contracts and agreements satisfy the Council's requirements for training, induction and guidance and that ongoing monitoring is in place to ensure continued consistency with the contract requirements.

Service Commissioners/Contract Managers

Commissioners will be responsible for ensuring that contractual arrangements specify responsibilities in relation to safeguarding in accordance with this Policy and existing commissioning policy.

When commissioning services, careful consideration must be given as to what safeguarding measures are required of contractors or service providers. For example:

- DBS checks at the appropriate level – it is expected that DBS checks must be in place for any commissioned transport services
- Safeguarding policies

- Safeguarding training
- Ethical supply chain practice
- Modern slavery policy.

This would apply to services where contractors are likely to come into contact with children, young people or adults at risk and can form part of the contract management arrangements.

Contract Managers (who may also be commissioners) have responsibility to ensure that the proposals and requirements set out in contracts or Service Level Agreements are adhered to by providers on an ongoing basis through the term of the contract and to ensure that they are aware of any new developments e.g. changes in legislation or guidance and communicated through contract management events.

Contractors are also responsible for informing relevant managers of the Council about any concerns they may have, and to report safeguarding concerns to Adult or Childrens Social Services department.

All staff / Officers

Every service area of the Council has a role to play and must take full ownership of their safeguarding responsibilities. The Council expects every member of the workforce to take all reasonable steps to ensure the safety of any child or adult at risk involved in Council activity and report their concerns to Social Services.

Designated Child Protection Teacher (DCPT)

The DCPT has responsibility for safeguarding and child protection. All schools will also have their own child protection policy. The policy will identify the key personnel. Any concerns around safeguarding should be reported to the DCPT or the deputy in their DCPT's absence.

Although the Designated Child Protection Teacher is the person with responsibility for child protection and safeguarding, if a member of staff has concerns that a matter has not been addressed, they can make a direct referral to Social Services.

Corporate Safeguarding Lead

The Corporate Safeguarding lead will work with the Council's statutory Director for Social Services to ensure there are effective arrangements to safeguard and protect children and adults at risk across the Council. Specifically to:

- Monitor the implementation of and compliance with this Policy across the Council
- Ensure that there is a corporate safeguarding training programme in place

- Set out clear lines of accountability.
- Ensure that there are Designated Safeguarding Leads within each service area.
- Ensure that annual service reports are prepared.
- Ensure that the annual corporate safeguarding report for Scrutiny is delivered.

9. Recognising and responding to concerns

All employees should be alert to the possibility of abuse. An individual may become concerned about the safety or wellbeing of an individual in a number of ways:

- The person may tell you.
- The person may say something that worries you.
- A third party may voice concerns.
- You may see something – an incident or an injury or other sign.

Staff, volunteers and contractors can be the ‘eyes and ears’ of the Council, as they go about their day-to-day jobs, because safeguarding is everyone’s responsibility. Examples of these are:

- Housing Officers – several reviews into children and adults being harmed have identified the importance of Housing Officers, who have a unique insight into the lives of families and can spot signs of abuse, neglect or exploitation.
- Waste Management – refuse collectors go to the same houses and communities every week and can notice when a child might be suffering or at risk of abuse
- Parks and Gardens – staff or contractors can be alert to places where children and young people congregate, and identify concerning behaviours that might indicate some form of abuse or exploitation is occurring
- Environmental Health – in the course of their day-to-day work inspecting premises, officers can consider safeguarding issues they may come across, in licensed premises, hotels or people’s homes.

Any person responsible for, or working with, children or adults at risk in any capacity, whether paid or unpaid, has a duty of care towards them both legally and contractually and as a responsible moral citizen. This includes a duty to behave in a manner that does not threaten, harm, or put people at risk of harm from others.

All parts of the workforce have a responsibility to conduct themselves in their private lives in a manner that does not compromise their position in the workplace or call into

question their suitability to work with children or adults at risk. This is explicit in the Wales Safeguarding Procedures (section 5)

The duty to report is a legal requirement and failure to report appropriately will be considered a serious matter.

It is not the responsibility of any one individual to determine whether or not abuse has taken place or if an individual is at risk of harm; however, they do have a responsibility to act if they have any concerns.

Protecting children and adults is not just the role of Councils, it requires effective multi agency working and the cooperation of the wider community and partner agencies, to develop and implement co-ordinated activity, using local evidence and information, appropriately shared. Councils have a unique local and community leadership and advocacy role, working alongside the community, police and other public bodies, to ensure that children, young people and adults remain safe in the places where they live and meet. Abuse should not be perceived as occurring solely in the family home. Risk and harm outside the family home also needs to be understood and responded to, to create safe spaces for the people of Carmarthenshire.

10. Dealing with a safeguarding concern

- Stay calm and listen carefully, offer reassurance to the child, young person or adult.
- Use reflective listening and ask open non-judgemental questions – (what, who, where, when).
- Do not promise the child or adult confidentiality.
- Record (in the persons own words).
- Seek further advice from your DSL or social services if required.
- Explain to the parents/individual/carer/family that you are referring your concern and gain consent to do so, **unless by doing so you think you will put the child or adult at increased risk of harm.**

11. Reporting a concern

If you have any worries regarding the safety of a child, young person or adult, then you must notify your Designated Safeguarding Lead person and/or make contact with Children or Adult Services Central Referral Teams.

The Central Referral Teams are the initial point of contact for people seeking services and activities for children, families and adults locally or for advice and guidance on how to get extra support, or to raise an issue or concern around the welfare of a child, young person or adult.

Staff within these teams will ensure any cross-boundary issues are explored and make enquiries as required as part of their duties.

If a concern is about a child, contact the Children Services Referral Team (Children's Services) on 01554 742322.

If the concern is about an adult, contact the Adult Services Advice and Assessment Team on 0300 333 2222.

The Social Services Out-of-Hours Team should be contacted on 0300 333 2222 if the issue arises after 5.00pm, Monday to Friday and on weekends and Bank Holidays.

The Police must be contacted immediately if a child or adult is in danger or a crime has been committed.

Employees may also contact the:

Local Authority Designated Officers (LADO)

Children - Rebecca Robertshaw RRobertshaw@carmarthenshire.gov.uk

Adults - Cathy Richards CRichards@carmarthenshire.gov.uk

12. Monitoring and Review

Carmarthenshire County Council has an effective governance framework. The Corporate Safeguarding Group will publish an Annual Report which will draw attention to the Council's performance in complying with the Corporate Safeguarding Policy.

The report will be submitted to CMT, Health and Social Services scrutiny committee and cabinet and will provide the opportunity for challenge on the work undertaken.

The Corporate Safeguarding Policy will be reviewed annually.

Appendix 1

Categories and indicators of abuse and neglect

Safeguarding means protecting people's health, wellbeing and human rights, and enabling them to live free from harm, abuse and neglect.

Section 197(1) of the Social Services and Well-being (Wales) Act 2014 specifies the categories of abuse which are:

- Physical
- Sexual
- Psychological / Emotional
- Neglect
- Financial

Financial abuse has been added as new category for Children under the Social Services & Well-being (Wales) Act 2014.

Definitions of Child Abuse and Neglect – (All Wales Child Protection Procedures 2008)

A child is abused or neglected when somebody inflicts harm or fails to act to prevent harm. Children may be abused in a family or in an institutional or community setting, by those known to them or, more rarely, by a stranger. A child or young person up to the age of 18 years can suffer abuse or neglect and require protection via an inter-agency child protection plan.

Physical abuse

Physical abuse may involve hitting, shaking, throwing, poisoning, burning or scalding, drowning, suffocating, or otherwise causing physical harm to a child. Physical harm may also be caused when a parent or caregiver fabricates or induces illness in a child whom they are looking after.

Emotional abuse

Emotional abuse is the persistent emotional ill treatment of a child such as to cause severe and persistent adverse effects on the child's emotional development. It may involve conveying to a child that they are worthless or unloved, inadequate or valued only in so far as they meet the needs of another person. It may feature age or developmentally inappropriate expectations being imposed on children. It may involve causing children frequently to feel frightened or in danger, for example by witnessing domestic abuse within the home or being bullied, or, the exploitation or corruption of children. Some level of emotional abuse is involved in all types of ill treatment of a child, though it may occur alone.

Neglect

Neglect is the persistent failure to meet a child's basic physical and/or psychological needs, likely to result in the serious impairment of the child's health or development. It may involve a parent or caregiver failing to provide adequate food, shelter and clothing, failing to protect a child from physical harm or danger, or the failure to ensure access to appropriate medical care or treatment. It may also include neglect of, or unresponsiveness to, a child's basic emotional needs. In addition, neglect may occur during pregnancy as a result of maternal substance misuse.

Sexual abuse

Sexual abuse involves forcing or enticing a child or young person to take part in sexual activities, whether or not the child is aware of what is happening. The activities may involve physical contact, including penetrative or non-penetrative acts. They may include non-contact activities, such as involving children in looking at, or in the production of, pornographic material or watching sexual activities, or encouraging children to behave in sexually inappropriate ways.

Child sexual exploitation (CSE) 'Child sexual exploitation is a form of sexual abuse where children are sexually exploited for money, power or status. It can involve violent, humiliating and degrading sexual assaults. In some cases, young people are persuaded or forced into exchanging sexual activity for money, drugs, gifts, affection or status. Consent cannot be given, even where a child may believe they are voluntarily engaging in sexual activity with the person who is exploiting them. Child sexual exploitation doesn't always involve physical contact and can happen online. A significant number of children who are victims of sexual exploitation go missing from home, care and education at some point.

Domestic violence and abuse

The cross-government definition of domestic violence and abuse is: any incident or pattern of incidents of controlling, coercive, threatening behaviour, violence or abuse between those aged 16 or over who are, or have been, intimate partners or family members regardless of gender or sexuality. The abuse can encompass, but is not limited to:

- psychological
- physical
- sexual
- financial
- emotional

Domestic abuse and young people

Young people in the 16 to 17 age group can also be victims of domestic violence and abuse.

Controlling behaviour

Controlling behaviour is a range of acts designed to make a person subordinate and/or dependent by isolating them from sources of support, exploiting their resources and capacities for personal gain, depriving them of the means needed for independence, resistance and escape and regulating their everyday behaviour.

Coercive behaviour

Coercive behavior is an act or a pattern of acts of assault, threats, humiliation and intimidation or other abuse that is used to harm, punish, or frighten their victim.

A coercive or controlling behaviour offence came into force in December 2015. It carries a maximum 5 years' imprisonment, a fine or both. Victims who experience coercive and controlling behaviour that stops short of serious physical violence but amounts to extreme psychological and emotional abuse are able to bring their perpetrators to justice.

Hate Crime

A Hate Incident is any incident which the victim, or anyone else, thinks is based on someone's prejudice towards them because of their race, religion, sexual orientation, disability or because they are transgender.

Further information on Hate Crime (including how to report a hate crime) can be found on the Carmarthenshire Community Safety Partnership website. Hate Crime Carmarthenshire Community Safety Partnership.

Modern slavery and human trafficking

Modern Slavery is the term used within the UK and is defined within the Modern Slavery Act 2015. The Act categorises offences of Slavery, Servitude and Forced or Compulsory Labour and Human Trafficking.

These crimes include holding a person in a position of slavery, servitude forced or compulsory labour, or facilitating their travel with the intention of exploiting them soon after. Although human trafficking often involves an international cross-border element, it is also possible to be a victim of modern slavery within your own country.

It is possible to be a victim even if consent has been given to be moved.

Children cannot give consent to being exploited therefore the element of coercion or deception does not need to be present to prove an offence.

Safeguarding children in education

All schools will have an identified a Designated Child Protection Teacher (DCPT) with responsibility for safeguarding and child protection. All schools will also have their own child protection policy. The policy will identify the key personnel.

Any concerns around safeguarding should be reported to the DCPT or the deputy in their DCPT's absence.

Staff should ensure they keep full and accurate records of their concerns, including details of any disclosures, and should include action taken e.g. 'referred to DCPT'. Record keeping is vitally important when dealing with safeguarding and records should be clear, precise and distinguish fact and opinion.

Records must always include the name of the child, date of incident/concern, full name of the person making the record and details of action taken and people spoken to.

Although the Designated Child Protection Teacher is the person with responsibility for child protection and safeguarding, if a member of staff has concerns that a matter has not been addressed, they can make a referral themselves.

Remember Child Protection is everyone's responsibility, and any individual can make a referral to children's services assessment team. Professionals cannot remain anonymous when making referrals.

Categories and indicators of abuse – adults at risk

Section 197(1) of the Social Services and Well-being (Wales) Act 2014 provides definitions of 'abuse' and 'neglect'.

Abuse means physical, sexual, psychological, emotional or financial abuse (and includes abuse taking place in any setting, whether in a private dwelling, an institution or any other place) and financial abuse which includes:

- having money or other property stolen
- being defrauded
- being put under pressure in relation to money or other property
- having money or other property misused

Neglect means a failure to meet a person's basic physical, emotional, social or psychological needs, which is likely to result in an impairment of the person's well-being (for example, an impairment of the person's health).

The following is a non-exhaustive list of examples for each of the categories of abuse and neglect:

- Physical abuse
- Hitting, slapping, over or misuse of medication, undue restraint, or inappropriate sanctions.

Sexual abuse

Rape and sexual assault or sexual acts to which the adult has not or could not consent and/or was pressured into consenting.

Psychological abuse

Threats of harm or abandonment, coercive control humiliation, verbal or racial abuse, isolation or withdrawal from services or supportive networks (coercive control is an act or pattern of acts of assault, threats, humiliation, intimidation or other abuse that is used to harm, punish or frighten the victim).

Neglect

Failure to access medical care or services, negligence in the face of risk-taking, failure to give prescribed medication, failure to assist in personal hygiene or the provision of food, shelter, clothing; emotional neglect.

Financial abuse

In relation to people who may have needs for care and support and includes:

- an unexpected change to their will.
- sudden sale or transfer of the home
- unusual activity in a bank account
- sudden inclusion of additional names on a bank account
- signature does not resemble the person's normal signature
- reluctance or anxiety by the person when discussing their financial affairs
- giving a substantial gift to a carer or other third party
- a sudden interest by a relative or other third party in the welfare of the person.
- bills remaining unpaid
- complaints that personal property is missing
- a decline in personal appearance that may indicate that diet and personal requirements are being ignored
- deliberate isolation from friends and family giving another person total control of their decision-making;

Any of the above forms of abuse could be motivated by the personal characteristics of the victim. This may make it a hate crime. These involve a criminal offence perceived by the victim or any other person, to be motivated by hostility or prejudice based on a person's actual or perceived disability, race, religion and belief, sexual orientation and transgender.

Abuse categories

Extract from the Social Services & Well-being (Wales) Act 2014

Physical abuse - hitting, slapping, over or misuse of medication, undue restraint, or inappropriate sanctions.

Types of physical abuse

- Assault, hitting, slapping, punching, kicking, hair-pulling, biting, pushing
- Rough handling
- Scalding and burning
- Physical punishments
- Inappropriate or unlawful use of restraint

- Making someone purposefully uncomfortable (e.g. opening a window and removing blankets)
- Involuntary isolation or confinement
- Misuse of medication (e.g. over-sedation)
- Forcible feeding or withholding food
- Unauthorised restraint, restricting movement (e.g. tying someone to a chair)

Possible indicators of physical abuse

- No explanation for injuries or inconsistency with the account of what happened
- Injuries are inconsistent with the person's lifestyle
- Bruising, cuts, welts, burns and/or marks on the body or loss of hair in clumps
- Frequent injuries
- Unexplained falls
- Subdued or changed behavior in the presence of a particular person
- Signs of malnutrition
- Failure to seek medical treatment or frequent changes of GP

Sexual abuse - rape and sexual assault or sexual acts to which the vulnerable adult has not or could not consent and/or was pressured into consenting.

Indicators of sexual abuse can be both physical and behavioral, including:

- New emergence of sexually transmitted diseases (STDs)
- New difficulty sitting or walking
- Pelvic injury
- Bruises on inner thighs or around the genital area
- Anal or genital pain, bleeding, or irritation
- Bloody, torn, or stained undergarments
- Extreme agitation
- Withdrawal from social interactions
- Panic attacks, or emerging post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) symptoms
- Inappropriate, aggressive, or unusual sexual behavior
- Suicide attempts

Psychological abuse - threats of harm or abandonment, coercive control, humiliation, verbal or racial abuse, isolation or withdrawal from services or supportive networks (coercive control is an act or pattern of acts of assault, threats, humiliation, intimidation or other abuse that is used to harm, punish or frighten the victim);

Types of psychological or emotional abuse

- Enforced social isolation – preventing someone accessing services, educational and social opportunities and seeing friends
- Removing mobility or communication aids or intentionally leaving someone unattended when they need assistance
- Preventing someone from meeting their religious and cultural needs

- Preventing the expression of choice and opinion
- Failure to respect privacy
- Preventing stimulation, meaningful occupation or activities
- Intimidation, coercion, harassment, use of threats, humiliation, bullying, swearing or verbal abuse
- Addressing a person in a patronising or infantilising way
- Threats of harm or abandonment
- Cyber bullying

Possible indicators of psychological or emotional abuse

- An air of silence when a particular person is present
- Withdrawal or change in the psychological state of the person
- Insomnia
- Low self-esteem
- Uncooperative and aggressive behavior
- A change of appetite, weight loss/gain
- Signs of distress: tearfulness, anger
- Apparent false claims, by someone involved with the person, to attract unnecessary treatment

Neglect - failure to access medical care or services, negligence in the face of risk-taking, failure to give prescribed medication, failure to assist in personal hygiene or the provision of food, shelter, clothing; emotional neglect. (See also self-neglect)

Types of neglect

- Failure to provide or allow access to food, shelter, clothing, heating, stimulation and activity, personal or medical care.
- Providing care in a way that the person dislikes.
- Failure to administer medication as prescribed Refusal of access to visitors.
- Not taking account of individuals' cultural, religious or ethnic needs.
- Not taking account of educational, social and recreational needs.
- Ignoring or isolating the person.
- Preventing the person from making their own decisions.
- Preventing access to glasses, hearing aids, dentures, etc.
- Failure to ensure privacy and dignity.

Possible indicators of neglect:

- Poor environment – dirty or unhygienic.
- Poor physical condition and/or personal hygiene.
- Pressure sores or ulcers.
- Malnutrition or unexplained weight loss.
- Untreated injuries and medical problems.
- Inconsistent or reluctant contact with medical and social care organisations.
- Accumulation of untaken medication.
- Uncharacteristic failure to engage in social interaction.

- Inappropriate or inadequate clothing.

Financial abuse *in relation to people who may have needs for care and support* - Possible indicators of this include:

- unexpected change to their will.
- sudden sale or transfer of the home.
- unusual activity in a bank account.
- sudden inclusion of additional names on a bank account.
- signature does not resemble the person's normal signature.
- reluctance or anxiety by the person when discussing their financial affairs.
- giving a substantial gift to a carer or other third party.
- a sudden interest by a relative or other third party in the welfare of the person
- bills remaining unpaid.
- complaints that personal property is missing.
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- deliberate isolation from friends and family giving another person total control of their decision-making.

Self-Neglect

Capacity is a highly significant factor in both understanding and intervening in situations of self-neglect.

Self-neglect can happen as a result of an individual's choice of lifestyle, or the person may:

- be depressed,
- have poor health,
- have cognitive (memory or decision making) problems or be physically unable to care for self.

Types of self-neglect

- Lack of self-care to an extent that it threatens personal health and safety.
- Neglecting to care for one's personal hygiene, health or surroundings.
- Inability to avoid self-harm.
- Failure to seek help or access services to meet health and social care needs.
- Inability or unwillingness to manage one's personal affairs.

Indicators of self-neglect:

- Very poor personal hygiene.
- Unkempt appearance.
- Lack of essential food, clothing or shelter.
- Malnutrition and/or dehydration.

- Living in squalid or unsanitary conditions.
- Neglecting household maintenance.
- Hoarding.
- Collecting a large number of animals in inappropriate conditions.
- Non-compliance with health or care services.
- Inability or unwillingness to take medication or treat illness or injury.

Appendix 2

Carmarthenshire County Council Corporate Safeguarding Self-Assessment Audit Tool

Introduction

In accordance with Carmarthenshire's Corporate Safeguarding Policy, all organisations that provide services for or work with adults at risk, children, young people and families are expected to conduct an audit of their safeguarding practices, based on a process of self-evaluation.

Directors will be responsible for ensuring that they have safeguarding operational procedures in place and undertake an annual audit of their directorate using the Corporate Safeguarding Self-Assessment Audit Tool.

The following self-assessment framework is set out in three sections covering three identified standards underpinning 'safeguarding' and requires each service area to think about their own practices and procedures within their relevant settings. It is designed to give an understanding of how the theme of 'safeguarding' is being successfully achieved in a particular service area currently, and how this might be developed.

In addition, the self- assessment gives the Council with an overview of safeguarding practices across the entirety of its service areas and can ensure that safeguarding compliancy and duties are being effectively met, the data from the annual self evaluations will be integral to informing planning of service delivery and thus improving the wellbeing outcomes for Carmarthenshire citizens.

The self-assessment audit will be completed annually and will ask you to consider the last rolling 12-month period.

Standards:

1. **Policy/Practice (Robust)** - How robust are your safeguarding practices in your service area? (policies & procedures adopted and in use / safe recruitment / compliancy / training / audits and inspections / reporting).

2. **Environment (Safe)** - How safe does your service area feel to citizens that access your services, and to your staff working in your service area? (atmosphere / buildings / e-safety / information sharing / complaints and compliments).
3. **Culture (Effective)** - How effective is your service area approach to safeguarding? (Effectively working with others to protect children and adults at risk and promote the wellbeing of citizens, i.e. through commissioned services / effective communication and engagement with staff and volunteers to embed safeguarding into practice and service area planning)

Guidance for the completion of the Self-Assessment Audit Tool

The audit tool is a self- assessment tool that covers the three standards. Within each of the standards there are measures which you should provide evidence to demonstrate how effectively your service area is currently meeting each standard and where improvements can be made.

In the evidence section you have been provided with some brief examples in italics, this is not a minimum list of expectations and is provided as an illustrative example for assistance only, it is your responsibility as the service manager for your service areas to provide the correct evidence to illustrate how the measures are being effectively met. Think carefully about the practices and procedures across your relevant service area and RAG rate as outlined below.

Be aware that you may need to think about multiple sites / venues when answering the questions. You are submitting the self- evaluation in respect of your portion of the service area; however, this will then be collated with the returns of the other service managers to make a collective self-evaluation for the entirety of the service area.

Where relevant, be specific in your audit regarding which service is being commented upon if you identify an issue with one specific site / service in your area. For example, in your portfolio you may be responsible for multiple sites and identify that the practices for on-site contractors' attendance is being managed differently to the policy in place and that of other sites. Therefore, your audit should capture the main RAG rating for your general performance and if a specific issue for a certain site/service is identified this should be recorded within the "Further action required" box as to how this will be addressed.

Be prepared to allow enough time to gather the required information and consult with your team managers / admin / etc. who may have the information per site / venue, etc.

Remember that you can also contact your Designated Safeguarding Lead in your service area, HR partners (e.g. for data on training records), or the Senior Manager for Safeguarding for Children or Adults Services for any other advice or assistance on the completion of this self-assessment tool.

Self-assessment rating

The traffic light system relates to how a service area assesses itself against achieving the minimum standard. If your service area assesses itself, as red or amber you should record in the “Further action required” box what you feel is necessary, or if you are unsure identify that support/ advice from your Designated Safeguarding Lead to improve on this measure that is required to move forward.

At the end of each standard, you have the opportunity to reflect on the measures providing a narrative on what you feel as a service area you do well; where you can improve and if you require any assistance in embedding ‘safeguarding.’

Green	Means everything is in place, up to date, and meets the required minimum standard
Amber	Means that something requires review or improvement
Red	Means something needs to be developed as a matter of urgency or the measure needs to be addressed urgently

Once completed the self-evaluation form should be returned on the specified date to your Designated Safeguarding Lead.

Cabinet
11 December 2023

**Introduction of Public Spaces Protection Order (PSPO) –
Llanelli Town Centre**

Purpose:

To outline the proposed new PSPO to address alcohol and drug related crime, disorder and nuisance in the area identified in Llanelli.

Recommendations / key decisions required:

1. To approve the making of a new PSPO for Llanelli Town Centre.

Reasons:

PSPOs deal with a particular issue or issues in an identified area which is having a detrimental impact on the local community's quality of life. Conditions are imposed, within the Order, to restrict specific behaviour which is evidenced and must be proportionate to the detrimental effect that the behaviour is causing or can cause and are necessary to prevent it from continuing, occurring or recurring. Following consideration of the impact of the previous Order and engagement with local stakeholders it is considered appropriate to propose a new Order for the area.

Cabinet Decision Required YES – 11 December 2023

Council Decision Required NO

CABINET MEMBER PORTFOLIO HOLDER:-

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Cabinet

11 December 2023

Introduction of Public Spaces Protection Order (PSPO) – Llanelli Town Centre

In 2020, Carmarthenshire County Council made a Public Spaces Protection Order (PSPO) under section 59 of the Anti-social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014 to address the alcohol-related nuisance and disorder in parts of Llanelli Town Centre (as noted in Appendix 3b). The Order came into force on 1 October 2020 and expired on 30 September 2023.

Carmarthenshire County Council is confident that the PSPO has been effective in reducing alcohol-related anti-social behaviour. However, the anti-social consumption of alcohol, controlled drugs and psychoactive substances in Llanelli Town Centre has had, and is likely to continue to have, a detrimental effect on the quality of life of people within the locality.

There are ongoing concerns amongst the community and the police regarding this issue, and in addition, drug-related concerns have been raised. These concerns are supported by crime and disorder data and evidence the need for a new PSPO to be implemented to give identified officers additional powers to deal with these issues. The background and key considerations in reviewing the current PSPO and future need is outlined in more detail in Appendix 1.

The Council is proposing to introduce a new Order (Appendix 2) for a further period of three years once the Order is formally approved by Cabinet and it will be enforced as soon as new signage confirming the arrangements of the new Order can be put in place. This Order, in addition to the current powers dealing with alcohol-related nuisance and disorder, will also give the police an additional power to reduce alcohol and drug-related anti-social behaviour caused by controlled drugs or psychoactive substances. This additional power will enable the police to require individuals to surrender drug paraphernalia.

Consideration was given to introducing a requirement for a person to disperse from an area if they are loitering if they are under the influence of alcohol or drugs and causing or are likely to cause anti-social behaviour. However, following seeking independent legal advice it is not clear whether local authorities can give the police additional dispersal powers within a PSPO. There is an ongoing case where this issue is being considered by the courts. Therefore, it has been decided not to include a dispersal power in the proposed Order at this stage, but this will be reviewed once the outcome of the court case is known.

The process of collating evidence to inform the advice sought on the proposed Order, then awaiting that advice and agreeing adjustments to the Order and supporting documentation based on the advice received has unfortunately resulted in a delay. This has resulted in a period from 30 September 2023 when no Order has been in place.

DETAILED REPORT ATTACHED?	YES
	Appendix 1 – PSPO report Appendix 2 – Draft Order Appendix 3a – Proposed new Order boundary & 3b - Previous Order boundary (for reference to view changes to area covered by Order) Appendix 4 – Equalities Impact Assessment Appendix 5 – Summary of consultation responses Appendix 6 – Human Rights and Equalities legislation Appendix 7 – Options Appraisal Appendix 8 – Map of Alcohol & Drug Related Crime, ASB & Public Safety Incidents Appendix 9 – Alcohol related Crime, ASB and Public Safety Incidents Appendix 10 – Drug related Crime, ASB and Public Safety Incidents

IMPLICATIONS

I confirm that other than those implications which have been agreed with the appropriate Directors / Heads of Service and are referred to in detail below, there are no other implications associated with this report:

Signed: Jason Jones, Head of Regeneration, Policy and Digital

Policy, Crime & Disorder and Equalities	Legal	Finance	ICT	Risk Management Issues	Staffing Implications	Physical Assets
YES	YES	YES	NONE	NONE	NONE	YES

Policy, Crime & Disorder and Equalities

Alcohol and drug-related crime and disorder is a concern in the identified area of Llanelli and through the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014, the introduction of a new PSPO to cover this geographic area will give police additional powers to deal with these issues.

Consideration has been given to making certain Council officers ‘authorised officers’ who would be able to have the power relating to the confiscation of alcohol. It has been decided that this is not to be progressed at this time, but this can be undertaken at any time after the Order is established.

An Equality Impact Assessment in respect of the proposal is attached (Appendix 4).

Legal

Public Spaces Protection Orders can be challenged if they are not supported by sufficient evidence, or if the restrictions and requirements that they impose are considered to be a disproportionate response to the problems which are occurring.

Orders which can be used to require a person to surrender their possessions or stop drinking, are a significant interference with people’s human rights. Information on Human Rights and Equalities legislation is attached as Appendix 6. Orders should not be introduced lightly, and orders of this type can only be justified where the requirements are necessary and proportionate.

The draft PSPO has been shared with Dyfed Powys Police’s legal section and they are satisfied with the wording on the Order.

Finance

Approximate costs for the 65 signs are £3,135 including the installation to be paid for by the Council (Regeneration, Policy & Digital).

Physical Assets

New signs will be installed in multiple locations across the designated area to raise awareness of the Order and to indicate the boundary covered by the Order.

CONSULTATIONS

I confirm that the appropriate consultations have taken in place and the outcomes are as detailed below

Signed: Jason Jones, Head of Regeneration, Digital & Policy

1. Scrutiny Committee request for pre-determination	YES
If yes include the following information: -	
Scrutiny Committee	Place, Sustainability & Climate Change
Date the report was considered:-	23 November 2023
Scrutiny Committee Outcome/Recommendations:-	
Verbal feedback to be provided at Pre-Cabinet	

2. Local Member(s)

Local members in the area impacted have been consulted and are supportive of the proposed approach.

3. Community / Town Council

Llanelli Town Council and Llanelli Rural Council

4. Relevant Partners

Dyfed Powys Police and Dyfed Drug & Alcohol Service (DDAS). Supportive of the additional powers and extending the boundary. Agreed to review dispersal powers once findings of court case known

5. Staff Side Representatives and other Organisations

Llanelli Task Force, Safer Communities Action Group, Tyisha Crime and Disorder Steering Group, the Chair of Llanelli Community Partnership and Multi-cultural Network.

CABINET MEMBER PORTFOLIO HOLDER(S) AWARE/CONSULTED YES	Cllr Ann Davies supports the proposed Order
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**Section 100D Local Government Act, 1972 – Access to Information
List of Background Papers used in the preparation of this report:**

THESE ARE DETAILED BELOW

Title of Document	File Ref No.	Locations that the papers are available for public inspection
Public Spaces Protection Orders – Guidance for Councils 2018		Public Spaces Protection Orders: Guidance for councils Local Government Association

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Background

An application for a Public Spaces Protection Order (PSPO) to control alcohol-related crime, disorder and nuisance in an area of Llanelli Town Centre (as noted in Appendix 3b) was approved by the Executive Board on 7 September 2020 and the PSPO was introduced on 1 October 2020. This followed extensive consideration by the Police, the Council's Community Safety Manager and Dyfed Drug and Alcohol service (DDAS), of the specific issues identified causing a problem in the area and of the evidential base including crime and disorder statistics.

PSPOs deal with a particular issue or issues in an identified area which is having a detrimental impact on the local community's quality of life. Conditions are imposed, within the Order, to restrict specific behaviour which is evidenced and must be proportionate to the detrimental effect that the behaviour is causing or can cause and are necessary to prevent it from continuing, occurring or recurring. Alternative tools and powers at the disposal of local partners to respond to anti-social behaviour (ASB) concerns must be considered to determine whether a PSPO is necessary. A PSPO must be an element which is carefully considered as part of a balanced anti-social behaviour strategy to address issues.

The three year PSPO ended on 30 September 2023.

Following detailed review and dialogue with Police colleagues and DDAS, all parties are in agreement that a new PSPO should be made. The powers and area covered by the Order have been reviewed in line with the evidence. The new Order will apply to a larger area than the previous Order.

Public Spaces Protection Orders

A PSPO is an order which imposes conditions or restrictions on the use of public land. They can apply to everyone using the land, or to specific categories of user. They enable local authorities to deal with a nuisance or problem in a particular area that is detrimental to the local community's quality of life.

A PSPO can be made by the Council if we are satisfied on reasonable grounds that two conditions are met.

The first condition is that:

- a) Activities carried on in a public place within the authority's area have had a detrimental effect on the quality of life of those in the locality, or
- b) It is likely that activities will be carried on in a public place within that area and that they will have such an effect.

The second condition is that the effect, or likely effect, of the activities:

- a) Is, or is likely to be, of a persistent or continuing nature,
- b) Is, or is likely to be, such as to make the activities unreasonable, and
- c) Justifies the restrictions imposed by the notice.

The only prohibitions or requirements that may be imposed are ones that are reasonable to impose in order:

- a) To prevent the detrimental effect from continuing, occurring or recurring, or
- b) To reduce that detrimental effect or to reduce the risk of its continuance, occurrence or recurrence.

Therefore, a PSPO needs to be evidence based, and the prohibitions or requirements in the order must be a proportionate response to the problems which are occurring or are likely to occur within the area where it applies.

Proportionality is often described as ensuring that we are not using a “sledgehammer to crack a nut”. We need to consider whether the detrimental effect of the activities justifies the restrictions proposed by the PSPO. Justification includes, a consideration of the nature and extent of the problem, how it might be controlled, the extent to which existing measures are effective, whether there are less restrictive methods of achieving the same effect. The response to an issue must be in proportion to the issue itself.

Process

A number of stages have been completed which have informed the drafting of the Order and these are outlined below to assist Cabinet’s decision regarding the introduction of the proposed PSPO:

1. Consideration of the impact of the PSPO to date and whether a PSPO is still needed in the area

Initial discussions were held with the Police and DDAS to evaluate the PSPO which has been in place for three years. Consideration was given to the impact of the Order, issues arising since its introduction in terms of how it had been responded to by the community and its enforcement. Alcohol has been confiscated on 312 occasions since the introduction of the Order. There was strong support for an Order to continue as a proportionate response to local crime and disorder concerns. Although the Order is being enforced and alcohol still being confiscated with joint working taking place between the Police and DDAS to encourage individuals into treatment services, anti-social drinking continues to take place.

Concerns were also raised around the need to address the drug-related anti-social behaviour (ASB) seen in the area and reported by the community and the need to be able to move people on to another area who were causing an issue or likely to do so.

2. Analysis of data

Analysis was undertaken of alcohol and drug related crime and ASB reported to the police during 2021 and 2022 in the locality in order to inform discussion on the area to be covered by the Order. The police have indicated that there were at least 1074 drug and alcohol related incidents in Llanelli in the year during the two year period, although the true figure is thought to be higher than this. These incidents include crime, ASB and public safety incidents. This information was mapped (Appendix 8)

and location data provided (Appendices 9 and 10). Feedback from the informal consultation (see point 5 below) resulted in further analysis being undertaken on some additional areas put forward. A number of the suggested areas were not able to be covered by the Order as there was insufficient evidence to support their inclusion.

Based on the evidence provided, a revised boundary for the proposed designated area was considered and agreed (Appendix 3).

3. Consideration of powers needed

The new Order will continue to give the police additional powers where they believe that a person is, or has been, consuming alcohol in the designated area or intends to consume alcohol in this area and it is likely to have a detrimental effect on the quality of life of those in the locality (or it is likely that activities will take place and have such an effect). Whilst it is not an offence to drink alcohol in the designated area, the Order enables the police to prohibit the consumption of alcohol on the land on which it applies if they believe that the consumption of alcohol will lead to having a detrimental effect on the quality of life of those in the locality. However, it is an offence to fail to comply with a request made by the police to cease drinking or surrender alcohol, without reasonable excuse. Failure to comply with such requests will amount to a breach of the Order and individuals could be arrested which can result in a fine of up to £500.

This power would not apply to places where the sale and consumption of alcohol is authorised under other legislation, for example in clubs and licensed premises.

Consideration has been given to making certain Council officers 'authorised officers' who would be able to have the power relating to the confiscation of alcohol. It has been decided that this is not to be progressed at this time, but this can be undertaken at any time after the Order is established.

The Police requested additional powers:

- (i) A power to require individuals to surrender drug paraphernalia, when ordered to do so by a police officer. This applies to items which have been used or are likely to be used to consume controlled drugs and other intoxicating substances such as legal highs.
- (ii) A power to require individuals to move to another area and not return for up to 12 hours, when ordered to do so by a police officer. The power would only apply if the police officer reasonably believes that the person is loitering on land to which the Order applies whilst under the influence of alcohol or an intoxicating substance and has caused or is likely to cause harassment, alarm or distress to others.

In relation to (i), the discarding of drug paraphernalia, such as used needles, there is evidence that this occurs in a number of places across the area. Neighbourhood policing officers and DDAS staff have on a number of occasions attended to clean up

and safely dispose of needles in response to public concern. This new power will allow the confiscation of items relating to drug use that are known to be irresponsibly littered and pose a serious risk to prevent harm to members of the public.

The power is closely defined with the specific intention to remove used needles which may be later discarded as litter. Confiscation of such items will be at the discretion of officers following Force guidance and considering the circumstances of each case. Signposting to clean new equipment will form part of this guidance and the wording of the Order safeguards against items incorrectly being confiscated. It is anticipated that the power will reduce the likelihood of illegal drug taking in the area.

The importance of drug users using clean, new needles and the health risks associated with sharing needles is recognised. Requiring drug users to surrender new, packaged needles could result in an increase in needle sharing. To prevent this, the requirement in the Order will not apply to needles, syringes or other items which are in their original packaging, provided that the packaging is still sealed and has not been opened.

Given the serious public health risks associated with discarded needles, a power which helps to prevent unpackaged needles from being littered is desirable. The PSPO allows this. In the circumstances, officers feel that provisions in the proposed PSPO are necessary to prevent crime and protect the health and safety of the public and are a proportionate response to the problem.

In relation to (ii), the Police already have dispersal powers under Part IV of the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014. These powers are subject to a number of procedural safeguards. At present, following seeking independent legal advice it is unclear whether local authorities can give the police additional dispersal powers within a PSPO. There is an ongoing case where this issue is being considered by the courts. Therefore, it has been decided not to include a dispersal power in the proposed Order at this stage but this will be reviewed once the outcome of the court case is known. The process of collating evidence to inform the advice sought on the proposed Order, then awaiting that advice and agreeing adjustments to the Order and supporting documentation based on the advice received has unfortunately resulted in a delay in introducing the new Order. This has resulted in a period from 30 September 2023 when no Order has been in place.

A comprehensive review of existing police powers was undertaken to determine if these additional powers were required. It was agreed that the power relating to surrendering drug paraphernalia is necessary as existing powers were not sufficient to address this identified problem. There is no power in place for the police to tackle this drug paraphernalia littering issue.

While it was similarly considered that a dispersal power was necessary, as outlined above, it has since been decided not to pursue this at this time.

A detailed options assessment has been undertaken (Appendix 7), to consider the options available to address the ongoing problem, the advantages and disadvantages of the various options. Officers from the County Council (community safety team and legal) and Police contributed to the appraisal.

The proposed PSPO is considered to be the most proportionate response to the specific issue being caused and officers are satisfied that its introduction is supported by the review of the evidence from the analysis supplied by the Police and fully considered with them.

Enforcement of the Order remains a discretionary power and will continue to be used to target the identified anti-social behaviour.

The Order would remain in place for three years and be regularly reviewed.

The Order was drafted by the Council's Legal Services Department and approved by the Police's Head of Legal Services.

In drafting the Order, consideration was given to legislation relating to Human Rights and Equalities as outlined in Appendix 6.

The Order has been carefully worded and contains safeguards and exceptions to ensure that the powers are proportionate in their scope and can only be used where it is appropriate to do so.

Failure to comply with a requirement imposed under the Order is a criminal offence and individuals can be prosecuted and fined. The maximum fine is £500 where a person fails to stop drinking or to surrender alcohol, or £1,000 where a person fails to surrender drug paraphernalia.

4. Equality Impact Assessment (EIA)

An EIA was completed (Appendix 4). Consideration has been given to the new signs which will need to be installed to indicate the amended boundary and powers.

Engagement will take place with the community in order to raise awareness of the PSPO and how it has changed from the previous Order.

5. Informal Consultation

It was considered a valuable exercise to engage with a number of key stakeholders at an early stage to be informed of views on the existing Order and whether it should continue. Discussions were held with County Councillors, Llanelli Town Council, Llanelli Task Force, the County Council officer responsible for the Town Hall and the Safer Communities Action Group, Tyisha Crime and Disorder Steering Group, the Chair of Llanelli Community Partnership and Multi-cultural Network representative as part of this engagement.

At the time of these initial discussions, the focus was on the existing Order and alcohol-related concerns although concerns over drug taking were also raised. There was unilateral support for a PSPO to continue to be in place and suggestions were made for additional areas to be covered within the boundary which were then included within the data analysis, as noted previously in the report.

6. Formal Consultation

Certain stakeholders are required to be consulted on a proposed Order as statutory consultees – the Police and Crime Commissioner, Chief Constable and appropriate community representatives. Community councils in the proposed area covered by the Order must be notified of the Order. Due to the proposed changes in terms of the powers to be awarded and the geographic area covered, it was decided to undertake a public consultation. The statutory consultees, community councils and other groups previously involved in the informal consultation were invited to participate. This consultation exercise took place between 19 April and 31 May 2023. The survey asked for views on the impact of the existing PSPO, whether alcohol and drug-related behaviour and loitering under the influence of alcohol or drugs were issues in the identified area and if the Order was a proportionate response to the level and impact of such issues.

Twenty four responses to the survey were received and a letter of support from the Llanelli Task Force. A summary of survey responses is attached at Appendix 5. Key points to note are:

- Two thirds of respondents thought that the current PSPO has had an impact and that the proposal to introduce a PSPO was in proportion with the level of impact of alcohol and drug-related behaviour in the area.
- The majority of respondents saw the anti-social behaviour issues identified as a problem in the proposed exclusion zone – alcohol-related (79%), drug-related (92%) and loitering under the influence of alcohol (83%) and drugs (92%).
- 83% of respondents agreed with the boundary of the proposed exclusion zone.
- 67% agreed that the Order should be in place for the maximum of three years.

7. Community engagement

It is important to raise awareness of the Order, the area it covers, the powers and the implications of breaching the PSPO. An initial discussion has been held with the Llanelli Multi-cultural Network and further engagement will take place to agree appropriate engagement to raise awareness. Engagement will also be arranged with the wider community including licensees.

The new Order will be published on the Council's website and new signs will be installed in multiple locations across the designated area to make people aware of the Order. Further promotion of the Order will take place with local residents.

Carmarthenshire County Council

Anti-social Behaviour, Crime & Policing Act 2014

Carmarthenshire County Council (Llanelli Town Centre)
Public Spaces Protection Order 2024

Carmarthenshire County Council ("the Council") hereby makes the following Public Spaces Protection Order under section 59 of the Anti-social Behaviour, Crime & Policing Act 2014:

This Order may be cited as the 'Carmarthenshire County Council (Llanelli Town Centre) Public Spaces Protection Order 2024'.

This Order will come into force on the (TO BE ADDED) and will remain in force for a period of three years.

Introduction

- (a) The anti-social consumption of alcohol, controlled drugs and psychoactive substances in town centres and other public places can have a detrimental effect on the quality of life of people in the locality. It can be detrimental to the appearance of the local area and can result in a broad range of drug crime, nuisance and disorder to the prejudice of the local community.
- (b) The Council is satisfied that the anti-social consumption of alcohol, controlled drugs and psychoactive substances in Llanelli town centre has had, and is likely to continue to have, a detrimental effect on the quality of life of people within the locality.
- (c) The Council is also satisfied that the effect, or likely effect, of the activity:-
 - (i) Is, or is likely to be, of a persistent or continuing nature;
 - (ii) Is, or is likely to be, such as to make the activities unreasonable; and
 - (iii) Justifies the restrictions imposed by this order.
- (d) The Council believe that the prohibitions and requirements imposed by this Order are reasonable.
- (e) The Order seeks to facilitate the safe use and enjoyment of public spaces within the town centre, by giving police constables additional powers which they can use in order to prevent or reduce the risk of anti-social drinking, substance misuse and related crime, nuisance and disorder. Authorised officers of the local authority are also given

additional powers which they can use in relation to anti-social drinking.

- (f) In making this Order the Council has had regard to the rights of freedom of expression and freedom of assembly set out in articles 10 and 11 of the European Convention on Human Rights.

Prohibition on Consuming Alcohol

1. A person shall not consume alcohol on the land to which this Order applies.
2. A person is guilty of an offence if at any time, on land to which this Order applies, they fail to comply with a requirement imposed by a police constable or authorised person requiring them:
 - (a) not to consume, alcohol or anything which the police constable or authorised person reasonably believes to be alcohol; or
 - (b) to surrender anything in their possession which is, or which the police constable or authorised person reasonably believes to be, alcohol or a container for alcohol.
3. A police constable or authorised person who imposes a requirement on a person under paragraph 2 of this Order must tell the person that failing without reasonable excuse to comply with the requirement is an offence.
4. A requirement imposed by an authorised person is not valid if the authorised person is asked to show evidence of their authorisation and fails to do so.
5. A person will not commit an offence under paragraph 2 of this Order if they can show that they had a reasonable excuse for failing to comply with the requirement.

Requirement to Surrender Paraphernalia

6. A person is guilty of an offence if at any time, on land to which this Order applies, they fail to comply with a requirement imposed by a police constable requiring them:
 - (a) to surrender anything in their possession which the police constable reasonably believes to have been used to assist in the consumption of an intoxicating substance; or
 - (b) to surrender anything in their possession which the police constable reasonably believes is likely to be used to assist in the consumption of an intoxicating substance.

For these purposes, “Consumption” includes the ingestion, injection, inhalation or smoking of an intoxicating substance.

7. Paragraph 6 of this order does not apply to needles, syringes or other items which are in their original packaging, provided that the packaging is still sealed and has not been opened.
8. A police constable who imposes a requirement on a person under paragraph 6 of this Order must tell the person that failing without reasonable excuse to comply with the requirement is an offence.
9. A person will not commit an offence under paragraph 6 of this Order if they can show that they had a reasonable excuse for failing to comply with the requirement.

Land Affected by this Order

10. Subject to the exclusions set out below, this Order applies to all public places within the parts of Llanelli Town centre shown edged with a thick black line on the plan in the Schedule to this Order.

For these purposes, a "public place" means any place to which the public or any section of the public has access, on payment or otherwise, as of right or by virtue of express or implied permission.

11. Paragraphs 1 and 2 of this Order do not apply to:-
- (a) premises (other than council operated licensed premises) authorised by a premises license to be used for the supply of alcohol;
 - (b) premises authorised by a club premises certificate to be used by the club for the supply of alcohol;
 - (c) a place within the curtilage of premises within paragraph (a) or (b) above;
 - (d) premises which by virtue of Part 5 of the Licensing Act 2003 may at the relevant time be used for the supply of alcohol or which, by virtue of that Part, could have been so used within the 30 minutes before that time;
 - (e) a place where facilities or activities relating to the sale or consumption of alcohol are at the relevant time permitted by virtue of a permission granted under section 115E of the Highways Act 1980.
12. Paragraphs 1 and 2 of this Order do not apply to council-operated licensed premises:-
- (a) When the premises are being used are being used for the supply of alcohol; or
 - (b) Within 30 minutes after the end of a period during which the premises have been used for the supply of alcohol.

13. For the purposes of this Order, premises are “Council-operated licensed premises” if they are authorised by a premises license to be used for the supply of alcohol and:-
- (a) The license is held by the Council; or
 - (b) The license is held by another person, but the premises are occupied by the Council, or are managed by or on behalf of the Council.

Interpretation

14. For the purposes of this Order:-

“alcohol” has the meaning given by section 191 of the Licensing Act 2003.

“authorised person” means a person who is authorised by the Council for the purposes of Section 63 of the Anti-social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014. This can include a person who is not an employee of the Council.

“club premises certificate” has the meaning given by section 60 of the Licensing Act 2003.

“Intoxicating substance” means a substance with the capacity to stimulate or depress the central nervous system, but does not include alcohol, tobacco and tobacco products, nicotine, caffeine, medicinal products as defined in the Human Medicines Regulations 2012 (where taken for a demonstrable medicinal use), or any substance which is ordinarily consumed as food (including drink).

“police constable” means a member or special constable of Dyfed Powys Police attested as a constable under section 29 of the Police Act 1996, or a civilian staff member or volunteer designated by Dyfed Powys Police with the power to enforce this Order.

“premises licence” has the meaning given by section 11 of the Licensing Act 2003.

“supply of alcohol” has the meaning given by section 14 of the Licensing Act 2003.

Penalties

15. A person who is guilty of an offence under paragraph 2 of this order shall on summary conviction be liable to a fine not exceeding level 2 on the standard scale.

16. A person who is guilty of an offence under paragraph 6 of this Order, shall on summary conviction be liable to a fine not exceeding level 3 on the standard scale.

Dated the day of 2024

The Common Seal of
Carmarthenshire County
Council was hereunto
affixed in the presence of:

Head of Administration & Law

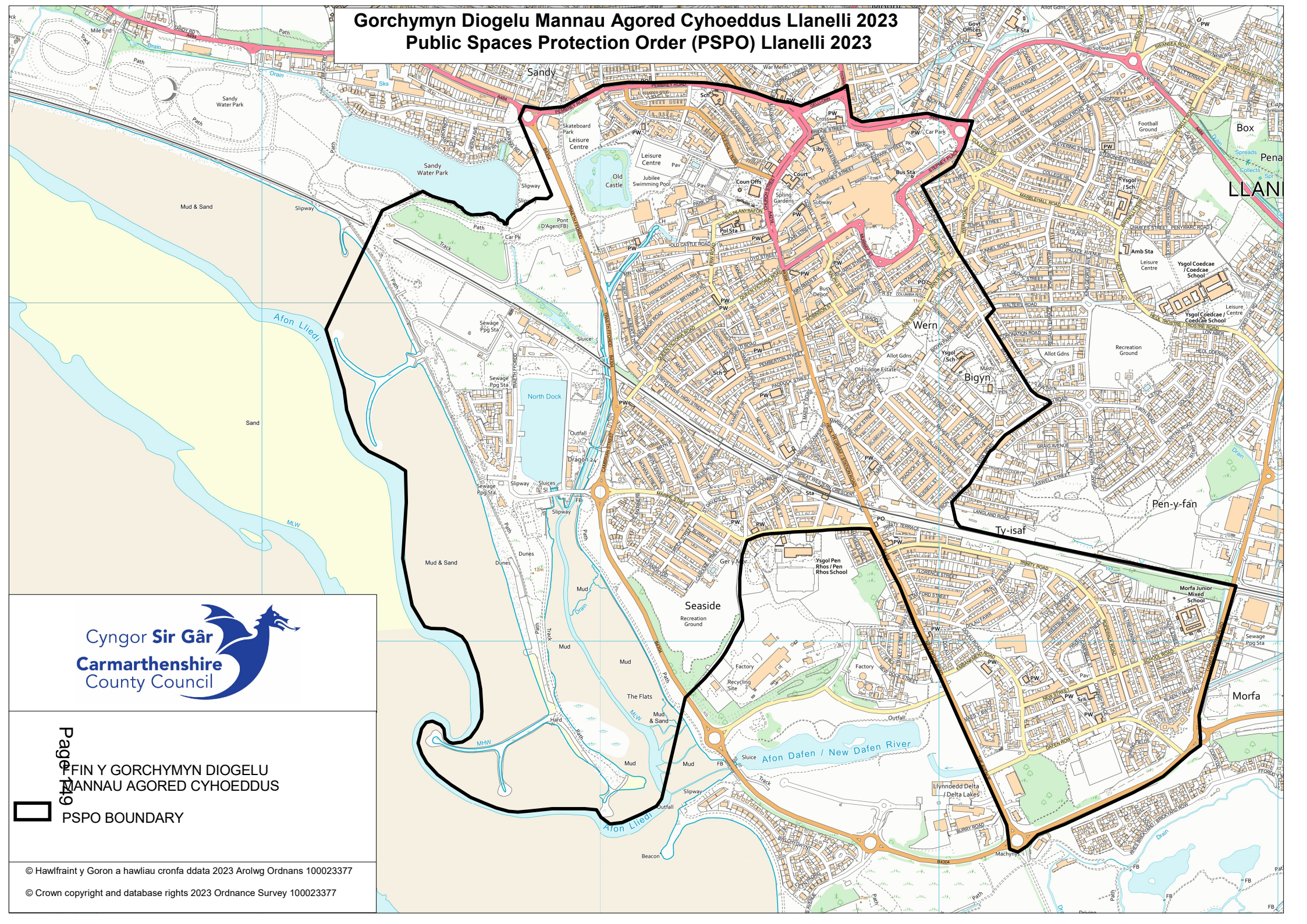
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
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Public Spaces Protection Order (PSPO) Llanelli 2023

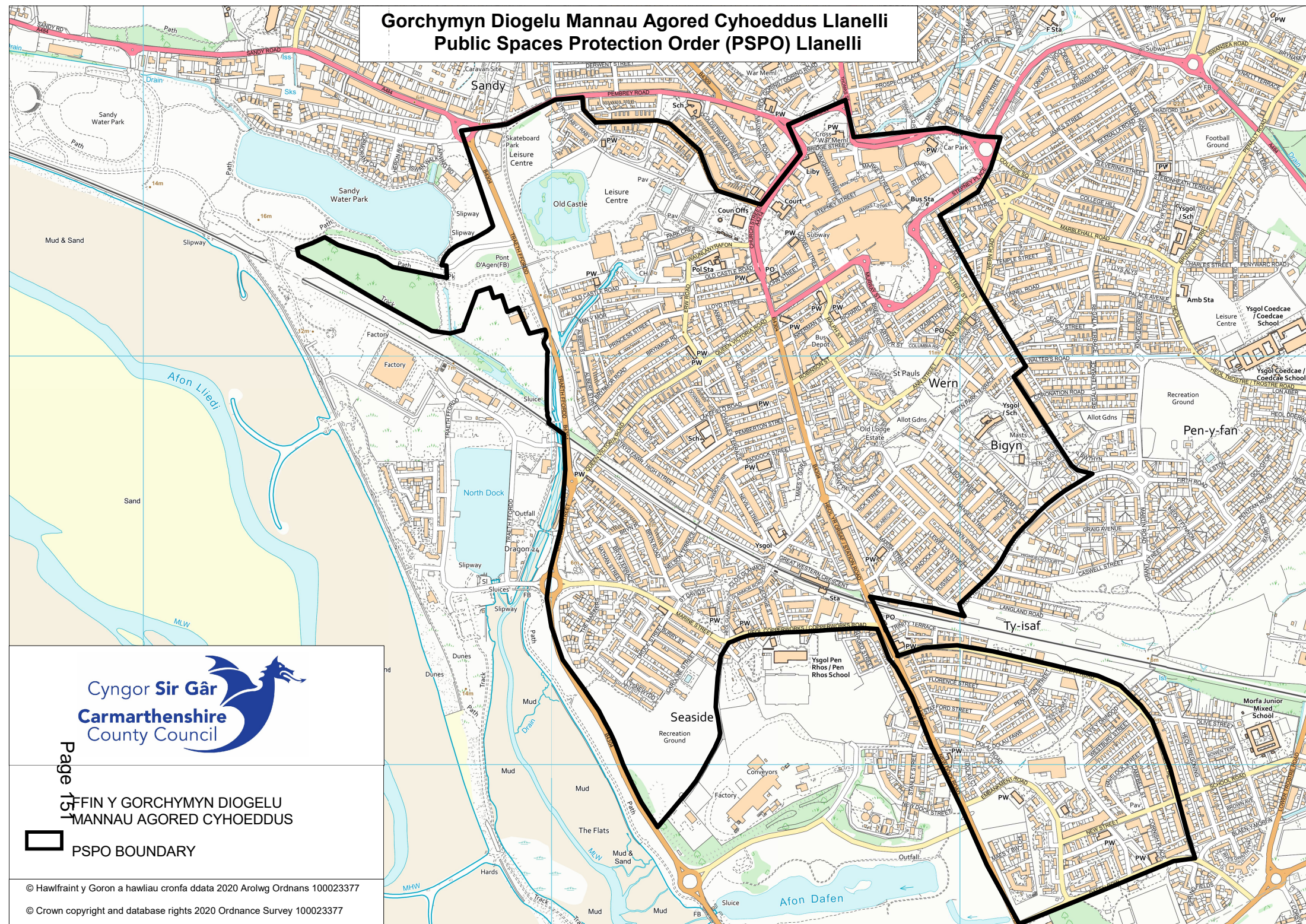


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Initial Equalities Impact Assessment Template

Department: Chief Executive's	Completed by (lead): Kate Harrop	Date of initial assessment: 23 June 2023 Revision Dates:
Area to be assessed: (i.e. name of policy, function, procedure, practice or a financial decision)	Consumption of alcohol, controlled drugs or psychoactive substances in Llanelli Town Centre	
Is this existing or new function/policy, procedure, practice or decision?	New – Introduction of Public Spaces Protection Order – revised new Order as previous Order expired 30 September 2023	
What evidence has been used to inform the assessment and policy? (please list only)		
Recorded alcohol and drug-related crime and disorder statistics.		

Page 153	<p>1. Describe the aims, objectives or purpose of the proposed function/policy, practice, procedure or decision and who is intended to benefit.</p> <p>Carmarthenshire County Council wishes to introduce a Public Spaces Protection Order (PSPO) to tackle alcohol and drug-related crime, disorder and nuisance in an area in Llanelli Town Centre under section 59 of the Anti-social Behaviour, Crime & Policing Act 2014.</p> <p>This will give additional powers where they believe that a person is, or has been, consuming alcohol or drugs in the designated area of the town centre or intends to consume these in this area and is causing anti-social behaviour or is likely to. They include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) A power to require the person concerned not to consume anything in the designated area which is, or which the police or authorised person reasonably believes to be, alcohol b) A power to require the person to surrender anything in their possession which is, or which the police or authorised person reasonably believes to be, alcohol or a container for alcohol c) A power to dispose of anything which is surrendered. d) A power to require the person to surrender anything in their possession which the police or authorised person reasonably believes to have been used to assist in the consumption of an intoxicating substance e) A power to require the person to surrender anything in their possession which the police or authorised person reasonably believes to is likely to be used to assist in the consumption of an intoxicating substance
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	<p>Anyone who breaches the Order by failing, without reasonable excuse, to comply with a requirement imposed on them by a police constable or an authorised person, commits a criminal offence, could be arrested and, if prosecuted, could be fined up to £1,000.</p> <p>The Order will not prohibit the consumption or possession of alcohol in public places falling within section 62 of the 2014 Act such as licensed premises.</p> <p>The aim of the Order is to prevent the anti-social consumption of alcohol or drugs in the identified area and to prevent an increase in the frequency or seriousness of the behaviour.</p> <p>The Order is intended to benefit the local community. It applies to all and should make the area a safer environment for everyone, addressing the problem of drinking and taking drugs in public places which can then result in anti-social behaviour. The Order also benefits the Police by providing an additional tool for them to use to tackle the anti-social consumption of alcohol and drugs to assist in preventing and reducing alcohol and drug-related problems.</p> <p>Any enforcement action will be taken by the Police and other people authorised by the Council in a transparent, accountable, proportionate and consistent manner.</p> <p>Signs will be installed ensuring that the public are aware of the Order and the area covered, and details available on the Council’s website. A discussion has taken place with the Llanelli Multi-Cultural Network regarding further awareness raising with the local community. Further advice will be taken from the Network regarding developing the posters and other information in a variety of languages as suggested by the Network.</p>				
<p>The Public Sector Equality Duty requires the Council to have “due regard” to the need to:-</p> <p>(1) eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation;</p> <p>(2) advance equality of opportunity between different groups; and</p> <p>(3) foster good relations between different groups (see guidance notes)</p>	<p>2. What is the level of impact on each group/ protected characteristics in terms of the three aims of the duty?</p> <p>Please indicate high (H) medium (M), low (L), no effect (N) for each.</p>	<p>3. Identify the risk or positive effect that could result for each of the group/protected characteristics?</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="1075 1133 1718 1386"> <tr> <td data-bbox="1075 1133 1377 1386"> <p>Risks</p> </td> <td data-bbox="1377 1133 1718 1386"> <p>Positive effects</p> <p>For all the community including all groups/protected characteristics referred to below –</p> </td> </tr> </table>	<p>Risks</p>	<p>Positive effects</p> <p>For all the community including all groups/protected characteristics referred to below –</p>	<p>4. If there is a disproportionately negative impact what mitigating factors have you considered?</p>
<p>Risks</p>	<p>Positive effects</p> <p>For all the community including all groups/protected characteristics referred to below –</p>				

				The Order should make public places within the designated area safer for all.	
Protected characteristics	Age	N			
	Disability	L	Disabled people who use medication could be asked to surrender items which are used to take their medication.		The definition of “intoxicating substances” in the Order excludes medicinal products as defined in the Human Medicines Regulations 2012 (where taken for a demonstrable medicinal use). Therefore, the drug paraphernalia provisions don’t apply to items which have been used or are likely to be used to take such products (e.g. insulin needles in the possession of a diabetic). Police Officers will need to apply the Order accordingly.
	Gender reassignment	N			
	Race	M	There could be potential impacts on those who are not fluent in English or Welsh.		Engagement will be undertaken, including with Polish and Ukranian communities, as advised by the Llanelli Multi-Cultural Network to raise awareness of the Order to ensure understanding of its implications and the consequences of any breaches. New pictorial signage will be used to ensure that the requirements of

					<p>the Order are understood by all.</p> <p>Police Officers will continue to raise awareness of the Order to any found in breach of it, to ensure that any enforcement action is clearly understood.</p> <p>When imposing requirements on a person under the order, officers will need to ensure that the person understands what is required.</p> <p>Assistance with interpretation will be arranged by the Police as necessary.</p>
	Religion/Belief	N			
	Pregnancy and maternity	N			
	Sexual Orientation	N			
	Sex	N			
	Welsh language	L			<p>The Order will be made and published on the Council's website bilingually.</p> <p>New signs will be bilingual.</p> <p>Discussions and interviews can be undertaken bilingually, and court proceedings can be undertaken through the medium of Welsh.</p>

Any other area				
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5. Has there been any consultation/engagement with the appropriate protected characteristics?	YES <input type="checkbox"/> X NO <input type="checkbox"/>	
6. What action(s) will you take to reduce any disproportionately negative impact, if any? As outlined above		
7. Procurement Following collation of evidence for this assessment, are there any procurement implications to the activity, proposal, service. No Please take the findings of this assessment into your procurement plan. Contact the corporate procurement unit for further advice.		
8. Human resources Following collation of evidence for this assessment, are there any Human resource implications to the activity, proposal or service? No		
9. Based on the information in sections 2 and 6, should this function/policy/procedure/practice or a decision proceed to Detailed Impact Assessment? (recommended if one or more H under section 2)	YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO X <input type="checkbox"/>	
Approved by: Head of Service	 Jason Jones	Date:

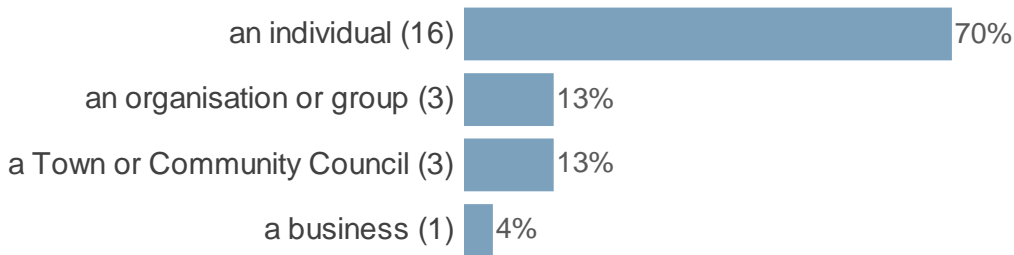
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PSPO

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Please state the organisation/group, Town and Community Council or business.

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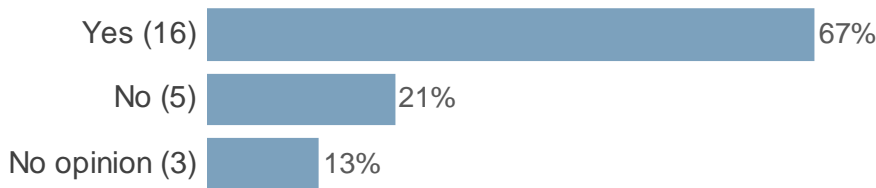
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Please answer the following questions relating to the Public Spaces Protection Order. (Do you think that the current PSPO for alcohol related anti-social behaviour has had an impact?)



Please answer the following questions relating to the Public Spaces Protection Order. (Do you see alcohol related anti-social behaviour as a problem in the proposed exclusion zone?)



PSPO

Please answer the following questions relating to the Public Spaces Protection Order. (Do you see drug-related anti-social behaviour as a problem in the proposed exclusion zone? ('Drug-related' refers to use of both controlled drugs and psychoactive substances))



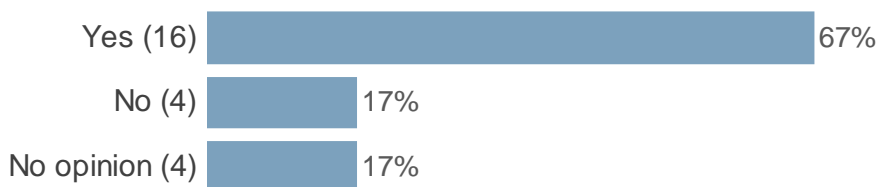
Please answer the following questions relating to the Public Spaces Protection Order. (Do you see loitering under the influence of alcohol as a problem in the proposed exclusion zone?)



Please answer the following questions relating to the Public Spaces Protection Order. (Do you see loitering under the influence of drugs as a problem in the proposed exclusion zone?)



Please answer the following questions relating to the Public Spaces Protection Order. (Do you believe the proposal to introduce a PSPO is in proportion with the level and impact of alcohol and drug-related anti-social behaviour in the area?)



PSPO

If yes, please tell us how the current PSPO for alcohol related anti-social behaviour has had an impact.

In areas covered by existing PSPO, some residents have reported a decrease in on the street drinking whereas it was a problem before.

It has become a less intimidating place to visit, or pass through. The area feels safer, and is somewhat cleaner.

From experience over the last 40 odd years. With officers engaging with antisocial offenders it curbs the loitering and socialising in groups.

Lowered number of drink related incidents

I am all work new powers but it must be with the community interaction as well a with the wider community of Carmarthenshire. It is a society problem and only though the community take part in the solution will the problem be helped. Making people with this problem feel they are not part of the community of Carmarthenshire is not going to help the situation. So Carmarthen CC need to have better housing policy to have housing for this section of the community spread around the area not as we have in Tyisha a Blue Light created ghettos of substance abuses. We need a soft hand to sort this not just criminalize this section of the community.

It has enabled our town centre ambassadors to ask people to stop drinking within the area

There is a lot of loitering in the town centre related to alcohol and the ability to move people along has given opportunity to improve the problem. I feel the PSPO isn't used to as much of an extent as it should be and that police are quite lax with it.

Reduced crime

It has given the police the ability to control the situation, subject to enough officers actually being visible

I don't feel a fearful now going into town, although there are always going to be the odd one or two. I do feel the issue is also around the drug use in the area, yes it's real life but hard for my young children to understand why individuals look and act a certain way when under the influence. They are fearful as am I.

Officers have been able to require an individual to stop drinking and to seize the alcohol. However, the group or individual(s) are not required to leave and can remain at the location – the anti-social behaviour or a feeling of intimidation can therefore remain at the location.

If no, why do you think the PSPO for alcohol related anti-social behaviour has not had an impact?

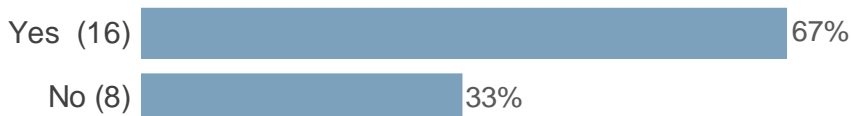
i've not seen any difference

Enforcement

There are not enough Police, Officers or Specials to call upon when issues arise.

to low level and 'fluffy' - town centre, bar licenced bars, should be made a non drinking / smoking area.

Do you think that the proposed PSPO should be in place for the maximum of 3 years?



PSPO

If not, how long (in years) do you believe the PSPO should be in place?

Count	Sum	Sample Standard		Minimum	Maximum	Range
		Mean	Deviation			
9	186	20.67	33.41	0	100	100

Do you agree with the boundary of the proposed exclusion zone?



Please tell us why.

Living in the area and seeing where you have not included is a disappointing. You base on stats where you don't record minor incidents and many reports. Further, decisions are made by people that don't live in the area and consequently don't understand the challenges the community has in this area. We would not ask for the expansion of the PSPO area if it was not needed.

is not only town centre

I believe it should cover Tunnel Road

I think it should be extended as reasonably possible.

Please make any additional comments:

I'm pleased to see the inclusion of North Dock, Trinity Terrace in New Dock and streets between Havelock Street and Lower Trostre Road in Morfa. There is currently a lot of future regeneration planned nearby these areas which this extension of the PSPO would assist with moving forward. As always the difficulty will be in policing the revised PSPO boundary but hopefully this will have a positive impact.

Langland road is known as to be a hot spot for drug dealing and is a walk through for those who travel to the Pen Y fan fields the same with Caswel street. Graig avenue has even had a murder in history due to alcohol. The lanes between Tyisha road and Graig avenue / Bond Ave is notorious for drug dealing and alcohol. This is a dealing hot spot. I personally witness this mostly towards each weekend. Again decisions are being made by those who simply don't live here. When a community is in decline like Graig Ave and Bond Ave and the spread of antisocial is widening from the Tyisha ward to neighbouring wards and we are trying everything possible, to stop it we come up against decisions that stats don't show the need. When stats are not recording what is going on and the community is pointing out the need to stop this drug and alcohol cancer spreading. The PSPO is one tool that if used to its full potential will be an asset in fighting this growing problem.

Could this be in place for a five year period?

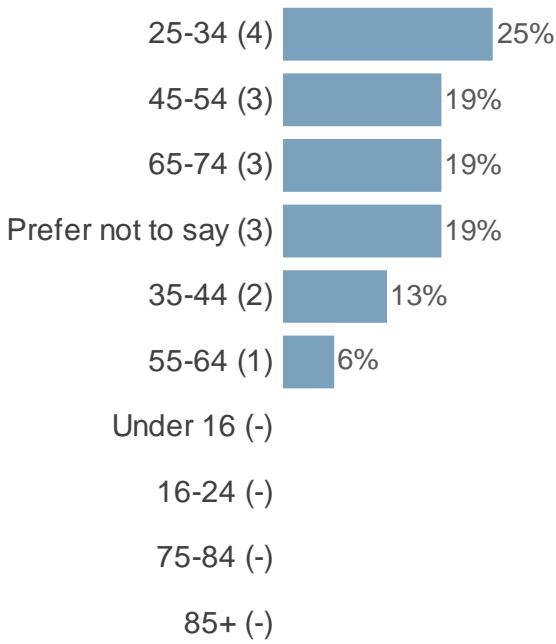
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The town centre look post apocalyptic. If this was Carmarthen the plaid led admistration would invest; but this is Llanelli so plaid simple do not care less. It gives them electoral advantage to disinvest here.

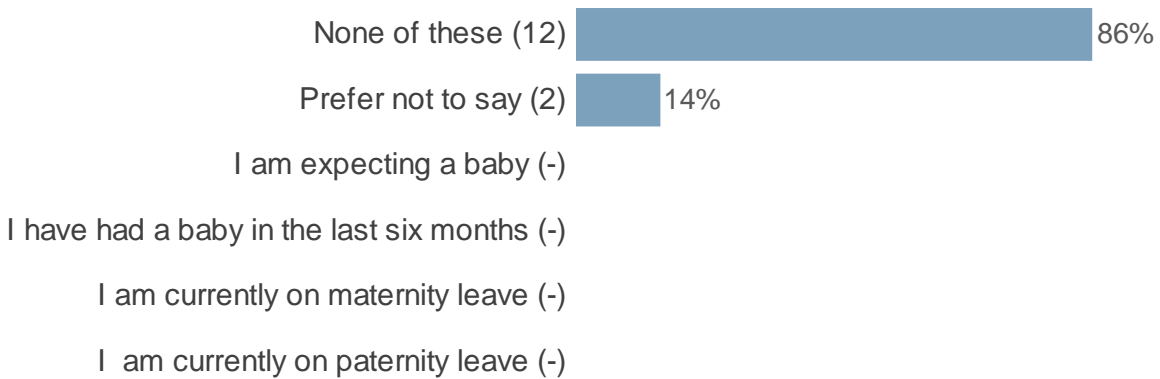
The boundary does appear to be extensive. The council did wonder about the impact the extension of the Order may have on tourists perhaps having one or two casual alcoholic drinks when visiting the beach. The boundary appears to leave out part of the Seaside area to the north of Delta lakes and is there a reason for this to be excluded?

I'd like to see exclusion zones around parks and schools.

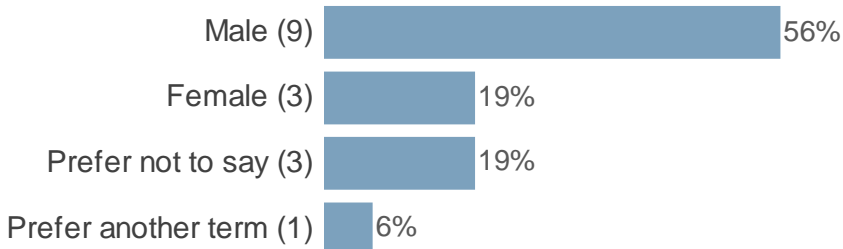
Age: What is your age group?



Pregnancy and maternity/paternity: Please indicate if any of the following apply to you (please tick all that apply).



Sex: How would you describe yourself?

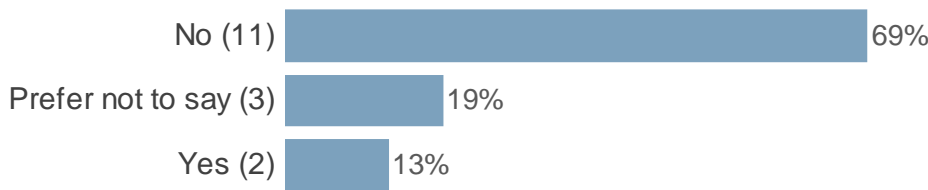


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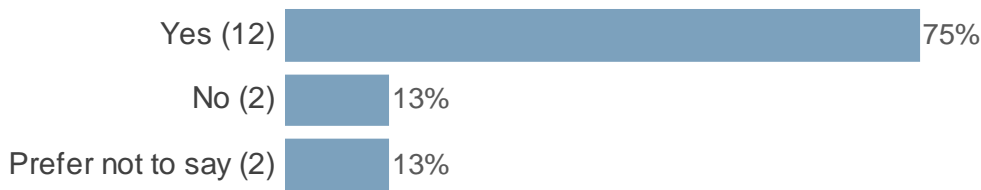
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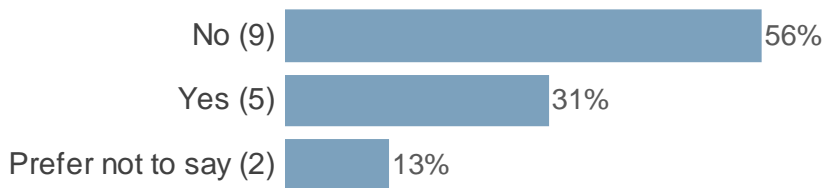
Disability: Are your day-to-day activities limited because of a health problem or disability which has lasted, or is expected to last, at least another 12 months? (Please tick only one)



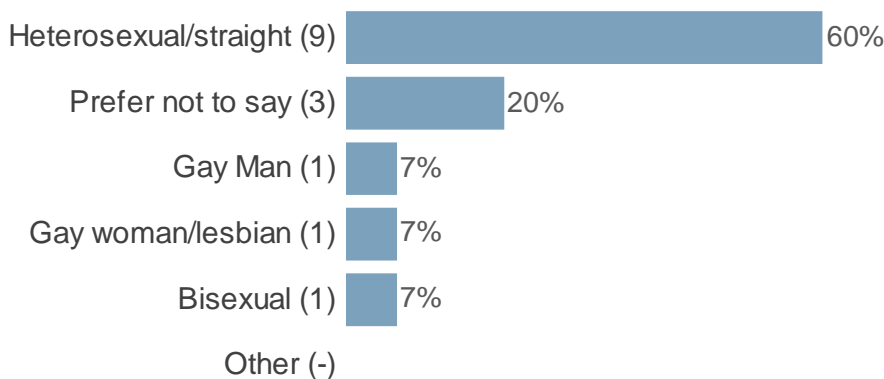
Gender reassignment: Is your present gender the same as the one assigned to you at birth? (please tick only one)



Caring Responsibilities: Do you provide regular, unpaid, substantial care for a relative, friend or neighbour who is unable to manage at home without help because of sickness, age or disability? (please tick only one)

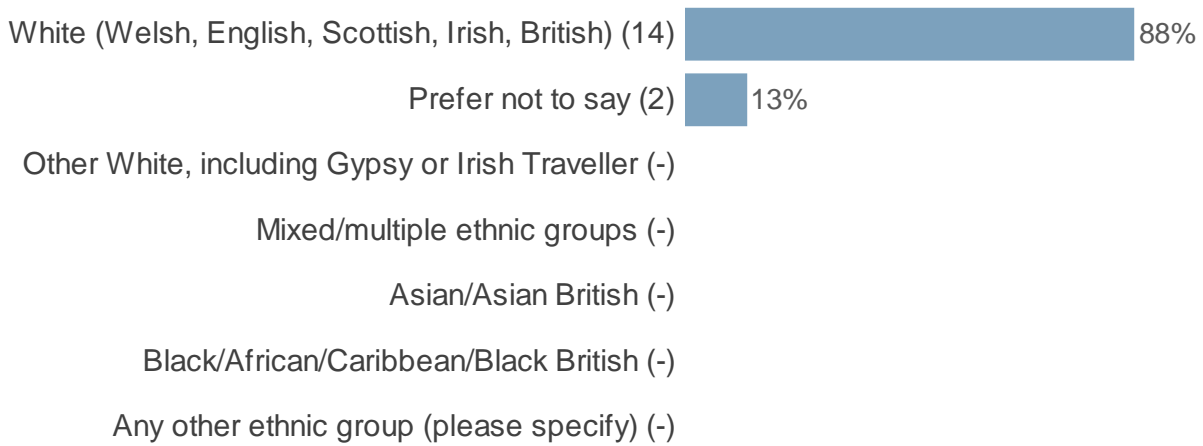


Sexual Orientation: What is your sexual orientation (please tick only one)

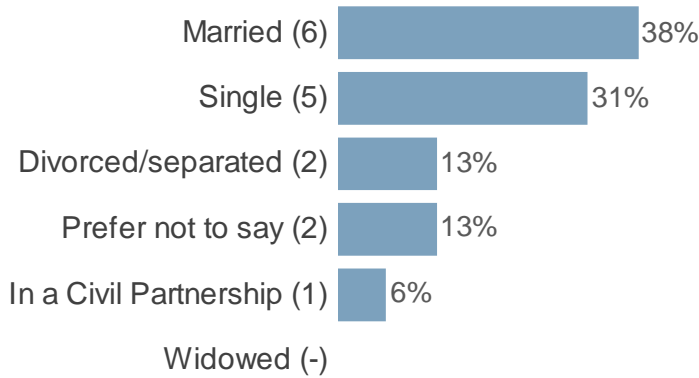


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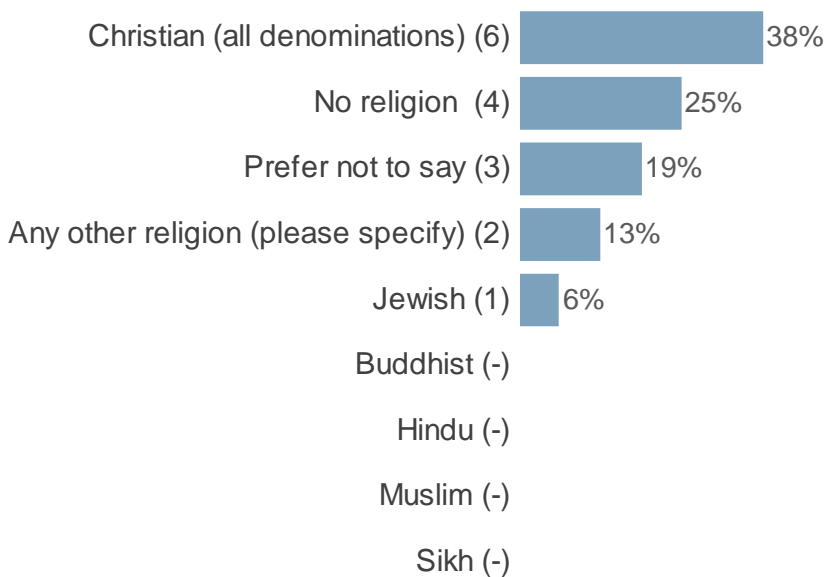
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Marriage and civil partnership: Are you? (please tick only one)



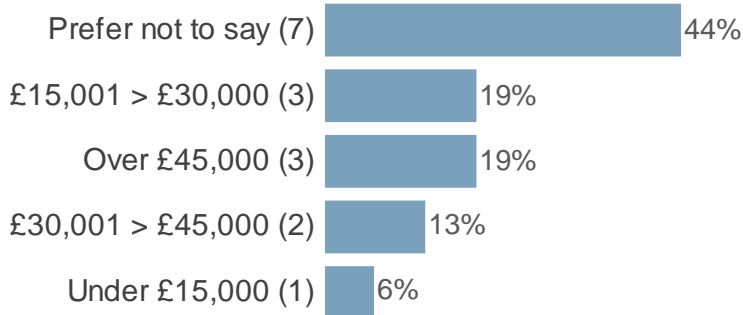
Religion: What is your religion? (please tick only one)



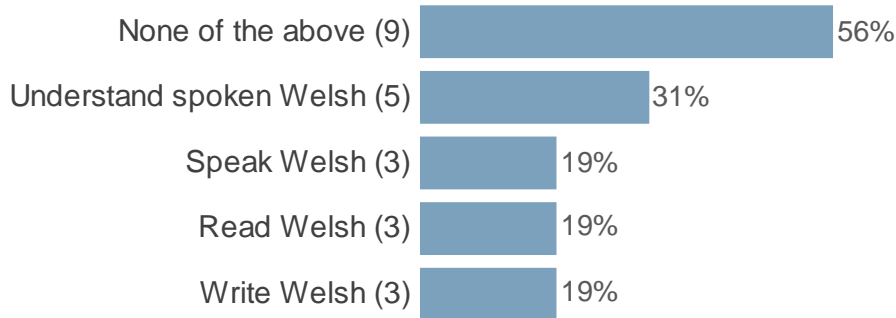
Please specify any other religion:

Baptist

Household Income: Approximately how much income comes into your household each year? (please tick only one)



Welsh Language: Can you understand, speak or write Welsh? (Tick all that apply)



What is your main language?

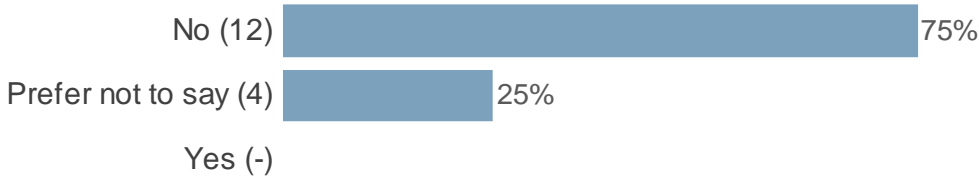


Please specify your other 'main language':

Prefer not to say

PSPO

Are you or your partner serving OR have you or your partner ever served, in Her Majesty's Armed Forces? This includes Regular or Reserves Forces, National Service and the Merchant Navy.



We would like to know your views on the effects that these proposals would have on the Welsh language, specifically on opportunities for people to use Welsh and on treating the Welsh language no less favourably than English. What effects do you think there would be? How could positive effects be increased, or negative effects be mitigated?

N/A

I don't see how the Welsh language is related to the PSPO is this a joke?

For goodness sake - is this really a sensible question. The welsh language has no bearding on this.

What the hell relevance does it have on Welsh language?

no views

Please also explain how you believe the proposed policy approach could be formulated or changed so as to have positive effects or increased positive effects on opportunities for people to use the Welsh language.

N/A

N/A

Seriously - get a grip. How on earth is this related to the welsh language.

Huh?

no views

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Human Rights and Equalities legislation

Human Rights Issues

Orders which can be used to require person to stop drinking and to surrender their possessions, are an interference with a person human right under Article 1 of Protocol 1 (right to peaceful enjoyment of possessions) and Article 8 (right to respect for private and family life) of the European Convention on Human Rights.

When deciding whether to make a PSPO and what it should include, the Council must also have regard to the rights of freedom of expression and freedom of assembly set out in articles 10 (freedom of expression) and 11 (Freedom of assembly and association) of the European Convention on Human Rights.

Article 1 of Protocol 1: Protection of property

Under Article 1 of Protocol 1 of the European Convention on Human Rights, everyone has the right to the peaceful enjoyment of their possessions. The protection of property under Protocol 1, Article 1 has three elements to it:

- a person has the right to the peaceful enjoyment of their property
- a public authority cannot take away what someone owns
- a public authority cannot impose restrictions on a person's use of their property.

However, a public authority will not breach this right if a law says that it can interfere with, deprive, or restrict the use of a person's possessions, and it is necessary for it to do so in the public interest. For example, it may be in the public interest to do so in order to prevent crime and disorder, to protect the health and safety, or to protect the rights and freedoms of others. The Article requires public authorities to strike a fair balance between the general interest and the rights of individual property owners.

Article 8: Right to respect for private and family life

Everyone has the right to respect for their private and family life, their home and their correspondence. This right may be restricted, provided that the interference has a proper legal basis, is necessary in a democratic society and pursues one of the following recognised legitimate aims:

- national security
- public safety
- the economic well-being of the country
- the prevention of disorder or crime
- the protection of health or morals
- the protection of the rights and freedoms of others.

Any interference with these rights must be necessary to achieve the stated aims, and not merely desirable, or reasonable. It must also be 'proportionate' – that is, it must

interfere with people's rights as little as possible, only going as far as is necessary to achieve the desired aim.

Article 10: Freedom of expression

Everyone has the right to hold opinions and express their views on their own or in a group. This applies even if these views are unpopular or disturbing. The right also includes the freedom to express views.

This right can be restricted only in specified circumstances. The interference must be necessary in a democratic society and pursue one of the following recognised legitimate aims:

- in the interests of public safety, national security or territorial integrity
- to prevent disorder or crime
- to protect health or morals
- to protect the reputations or rights of others
- to prevent the disclosure of information received in confidence
- to maintain the authority and impartiality of the judiciary.

Any interference with this right must be necessary (not just reasonable) and it should not do more than is needed to achieve the aim desired.

Article 11: Freedom of assembly and association

Everyone has the right to assemble with other people in a peaceful way. They also have the right to associate with other people. This right may be restricted provided that the interference has a proper legal basis, is necessary in a democratic society and pursues one of the following recognised legitimate aims:

- national security
- public safety
- the prevention of disorder or crime
- the protection of health or morals
- the protection of the rights and freedoms of others.

Any interference with this right must be necessary (not just reasonable) and it should not do more than is needed to achieve the aim desired.

Equality Act Issues

Under the Equality Act 2010 there are a number of “protected characteristics”. They include age; disability; gender reassignment; marriage and civil partnership; pregnancy and maternity; race; religion or belief; sex; sexual orientation.

When exercising our functions, section 149 of the Equality Act 2010 requires the Council to have due regard to the need to—

- (a) eliminate discrimination, harassment, victimisation and any other conduct that is prohibited by or under this Act;
- (b) advance equality of opportunity between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not share it;
- (c) foster good relations between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not share it.

In addition, we are required to have due regard, to the need to—

- (a) remove or minimise disadvantages suffered by persons who share a relevant protected characteristic that are connected to that characteristic
- (b) take steps to meet the needs of persons who share a relevant protected characteristic that are different from the needs of persons who do not share it
- (c) encourage persons who share a relevant protected characteristic to participate in public life or in any other activity in which participation by such persons is disproportionately low.

Therefore, when considering introducing PSPO’s we must consider the impact that they are likely to have on the different groups of people, and whether they may have an adverse impact on some groups of people with protected characteristics.

If an order puts some groups of people to a particular disadvantage over others, we are expected to consider making reasonable adjustments to minimise or avoid this.

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Options Appraisal

	<u>Option</u>	<u>Advantages/disadvantages</u>
1.	<u>Injunction</u> ss.1-21 of the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014	<p>Injunctions require specific individuals to be named, would require an application for each individual (and evidence to be collected in respect for each), involves repeated applications to the court and associated costs. Injunctions would be sought after the behaviour has taken place.</p> <p>In regards to the proposed PSPO, the people involved changes from day to day, week to week; A remedy that enables police to bring an immediate stop to nuisance drinking and confiscate alcohol and drug paraphernalia is preferable and is considered more proportionate. Officers need to be able to deal with incidents as and when they happen.</p>
2.	<u>Community Protection Warnings/Notices</u> ss. 43-58 of the 2014 Act	<p>These have been issued in respect of individuals who continue to display ASB, in neighbour disputes or issues affecting the local community. In the main, they are effective in targeting specific individuals and can be tailored to specific behaviour.</p> <p>CPN's are a flexible enforcement tool which can be used to target problematic individuals, rather than imposing requirements and restrictions which apply to everyone.</p> <p>However, these options would not enable the incident to be dealt with immediately as they are not responsive tools to deal with this type of behaviour. There is a process, with a Community Protection Warning/Notice, which needs to be gone through with each individual over a number of stages. A remedy that enables police to bring an immediate stop to nuisance drinking and confiscate alcohol and drug paraphernalia is preferable.</p>
3.	<u>Dispersal power</u> under Section 34 and	<p>The Police have used their existing dispersal powers under Section 34 and Section 35 of the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime</p>

	<u>Option</u>	<u>Advantages/disadvantages</u>
	Section 35 of the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014	<p>and Policing Act 2014 to address significant ASB causing immediate harassment, alarm and distress or crime.</p> <p>During the summers of 2021 and 2022, Section 34 was used to good effect most weekends to tackle ASB incidents caused by large groups of youths and young adults congregating and drinking in areas of Llanelli and this included part of the town centre.</p> <p>Although Section 34 and 35 dispersal powers could be used in response to alcohol or drug related behaviour in the town centre, police feel that they are not a practical tool for this low level, persistent behaviour.</p>
4.	<u>Injunction</u> s.222 Local Government Act 1972	<p>Section 222 gives local authorities a general power to bring legal proceedings in their own name where they consider it expedient to do so to promote or protect local inhabitants.</p> <p>This power is generally used as a last resort when no other statutory powers are available. However, it is considered more appropriate to use the powers as proposed in the Order due to reasons outlined above against the option Injunction ss.1-21 of the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014.</p>
5.	<u>Other warnings</u> e.g. under ASB policy	<p>The initial stage ASB warning letters that are able to be issued have no legal power or prohibitions which can be enforced. The process is for a written notice to be given with progression through to a CPN/CPW or CBO.</p> <p>However, these options would not enable the incident to be dealt with immediately as they are not responsive tools to deal with this type of behaviour. There is a process, with a CPW/CPN, which needs to be gone through with each individual over a number of stages.</p>

	<u>Option</u>	<u>Advantages/disadvantages</u>
		Such warnings also would not enable the seizure of alcohol or drug paraphernalia.
6.	<u>Changes to the physical environment</u>	<p>In a specific hotspot area, such changes could be considered, however, given the large area covered, we have not been able to identify changes which could be implemented to achieve the same impact as it is believed the proposed PSPO powers will have.</p> <p>Making changes to an area to discourage people from congregating and engaging in anti-social drinking and drug use may displace the behaviour to another location within the town. Generally, the large area identified is covered by adequate street lighting and the issues take place during daylight hours with seizures taking place in the day and early evening in summer months.</p> <p>Other changes such as the removal of park benches and replacement of grass with gravel have been considered, however, such changes would have a detrimental effect on the area visually and use of space by local communities.</p> <p>Additional disposal options for drug paraphernalia have been considered such as needle disposal bins but are not considered to be the preferred option. Needle bins would need to be regularly emptied and could be seen as encouraging public drug use.</p>
7.	<u>Installation of additional CCTV</u>	<p>There are a number of CCTV cameras already providing good coverage throughout the majority of the proposed area. However, CCTV is not deterring the behaviour that the PSPO will aim to address as a high proportion of seizures are taking place in areas covered by CCTV.</p>

	<u>Option</u>	<u>Advantages/disadvantages</u>
		<p>Cameras have already been installed where it is proportionate to do so following analysis of the need in response to anti-social behaviour, crime and risk of harm. Coverage is reviewed by the Police to ensure most appropriate coverage.</p>
8.	<p><u>Use of existing legislation to manage littering</u></p>	<p>It is our understanding that the police do not have the power to seize drug related paraphernalia unless drugs are found during a search under the Misuse of Drugs Act 1971. The new powers will be particularly helpful in cases where no drugs have been found during a search, but where the person is found to be in possession of drug related paraphernalia such as used or unpackaged needles.</p> <p>The Council holds primary responsibility for environmental issues such as littering. Littering is already a criminal offence under section 87 of the Environmental Protection Act 1990, and offenders can be issued with Fixed Penalty Notices. The Council has limited enforcement resources covering the whole of the county. In practice, it is difficult to evidence people discarding needles, and issuing fixed penalty tickets to litterers is a responsive tool which can only be used after the offence has happened.</p> <p>In line with other police forces nationally, Dyfed Powys Police does not issue fixed penalty tickets for low level offences such as littering.</p> <p>We have been undertaking needle picks and using the existing legislation to try address this issue of drug-related litter and will continue to do so. However, given the serious health risks associated with discarded needles, we do not feel that it is sufficient to adequately address the problem. A PSPO that</p>

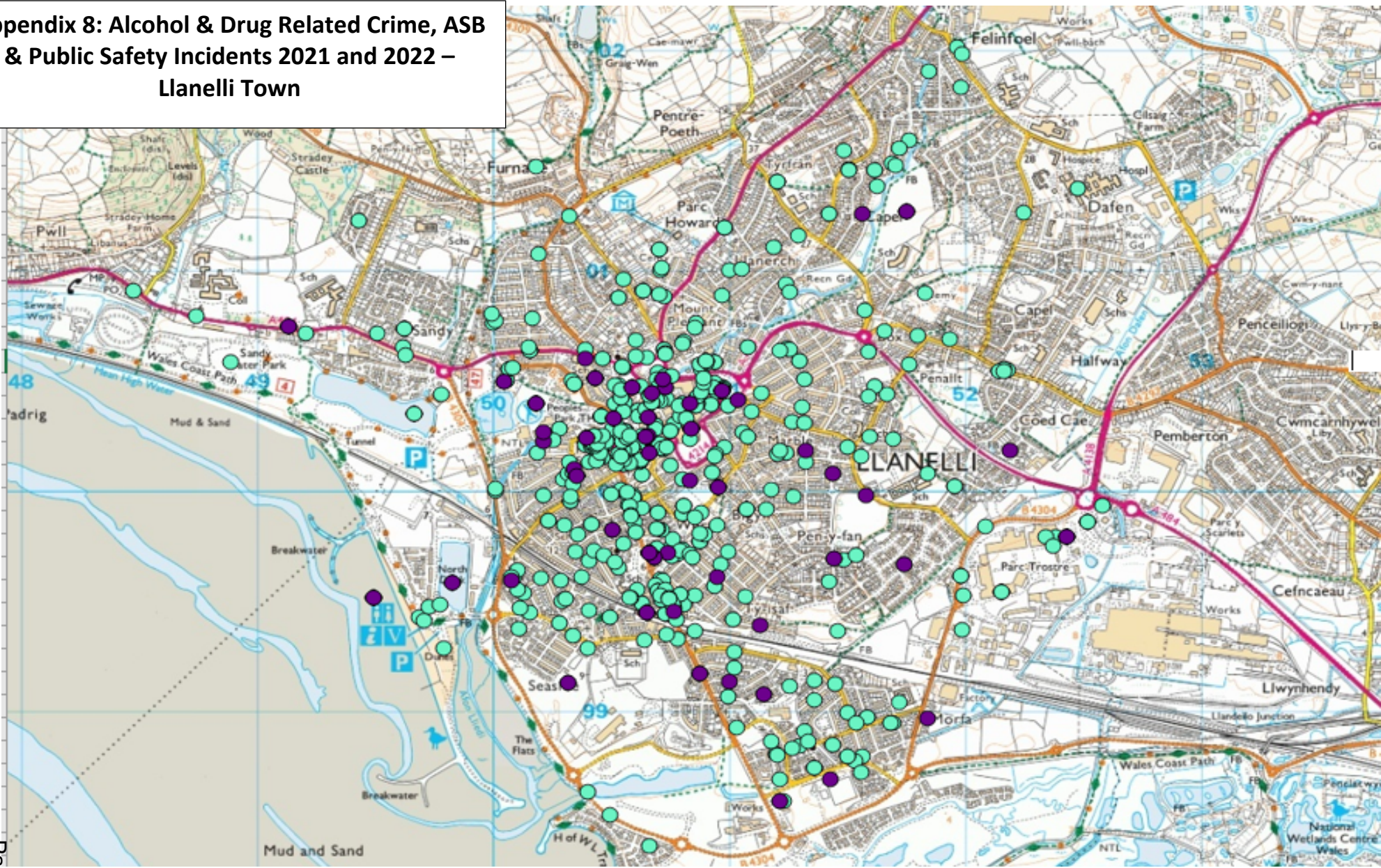
	<u>Option</u>	<u>Advantages/disadvantages</u>
		enables police to confiscate needles and other drug paraphernalia before it is littered will help to address the problem and reduce the risk of needle injuries from drug related litter.
9.	<u>Use of existing legislation to manage public drinking and alcohol related ASB</u>	<p>Without a PSPO, Police and local authority officers do not have the power to require people to stop drinking in public areas.</p> <p>The police have powers under the Confiscation of Alcohol (Young Persons) Act 1997 to require people surrender alcohol and containers containing alcohol. They are aimed at preventing underage drinking and only apply to minors, or where alcohol is going to be consumed by a person under the age of 18. They do not apply to adults, who possess alcohol for their own consumption.</p> <p>Under section 12 of the Licensing Act 1872, it is an offence to be drunk in any highway or other public place. Under Section 91 of the Criminal Justice Act 1967, it is also an offence to be drunk and disorderly in a public place. People under the influence of alcohol can also commit a range of public order offences.</p> <p>If somebody is convicted of an alcohol-related offence, they can also be given a Criminal Behaviour Order (CBO), which imposes restrictions on their behaviour for a period of at least two years.</p> <p>Existing criminal legislation can be used to issue fixed penalty notices or to prosecute for offences after the event. Some forms of low level anti-social behaviour may not amount to a criminal offence or may not meet the threshold for arrest or prosecution.</p>

	<u>Option</u>	<u>Advantages/disadvantages</u>
		<p>Powers that enable the police to prevent drink related ASB and criminal offences from occurring - by requiring nuisance drinkers to stop drinking and to confiscate their alcohol - are preferable.</p>
10.	<p><u>PSPO</u> ss.59-75 of the 2014 Act</p>	<p>Public Spaces Protection Orders are intended to deal with a particular nuisance or problem in a specific public area that is detrimental to the local community's quality of life, by imposing conditions on the use of that area which apply to everyone.</p> <p>As orders can restrict what people can do and how they behave in public spaces, it is important that the requirements and restrictions imposed are focused on specific behaviours and are proportionate to the detrimental effect that the behaviour is causing or can cause, and are necessary to prevent it from continuing, occurring or recurring.</p> <p>Orders which can be used to require a person to stop drinking and to surrender their possessions, are a significant interference with people's human rights. Orders containing these controls should not be introduced lightly and should only be made if the controls which are being imposed are necessary and proportionate in the circumstances.</p> <p>Under our proposed Order, members of the public can be required by a police officer (or other authorised person) to stop drinking, to surrender alcohol and containers of alcohol, and to surrender drug paraphernalia. Failure to comply with a requirement is a breach of the Order and a criminal offence.</p> <p>The purpose of the order is not to create a drink free zone in which no drinking is permitted. Under the Order, it is only an</p>

	<u>Option</u>	<u>Advantages/disadvantages</u>
		<p>offence to consume alcohol in the area if a person had been directed not to do so by a police officer or other authorised person. While officers have the discretion to require an individual to refrain from drinking regardless of behaviour, the powers are not intended to disrupt peaceful activities. The powers to require individuals not to consume alcohol within the prohibited area and to surrender alcohol are discretionary, and it's our intention that the powers should only be used to deal with individuals who are causing (or are likely to cause) drink related anti-social behaviour.</p> <p>A PSPO made by the council in 2020 contained similar powers relating to alcohol (but no drug paraphernalia). It was effective in reducing alcohol-related anti-social behaviour.</p> <p>Given the serious public health risks associated with discarded needles, a power which helps to prevent needles from being littered is desirable. A PSPO allows us to do this. In the circumstances, officers feel that powers in the proposed PSPO are necessary to prevent crime and to protect the health and safety of the public and are a proportionate response to the problems.</p>

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**Appendix 8: Alcohol & Drug Related Crime, ASB
& Public Safety Incidents 2021 and 2022 –
Llanelli Town**



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Appendix 9: Alcohol Related Crime, ASB & Public Safety Incidents

Location	2022	2021	Total
A48		1	1
ALBAN ROAD	1		1
ANDREW STREET	1	1	2
ANN STREET	4	3	7
ARFRYN AVENUE		2	2
BASSETT TERRACE	1		1
BIDDULPH ESTATE		5	5
BIGYN PARK TERRACE	4	11	15
BIGYN ROAD		1	1
BOX TERRACE	1		1
BRIDGE STREET	2	4	6
BRYN ROAD		1	1
BRYNALLT TERRACE	1	1	2
BRYNELLI		1	1
BRYNMELYN AVENUE	1		1
BRYNMOR ROAD	2	1	3
CAERSALEM TERRACE	3		3
CAMBRIAN ROAD		1	1
CANOLFAN GELLI		1	1
CAPEL ISAF ROAD	6	4	10
CAWDOR PLACE		1	1
CHAPMAN STREET	1		1

Location	2022	2021	Total
CHARLES STREET		1	1
CHURCH STREET	5	2	7
CLIFTON TERRACE	1		1
CLOS DEWI MEDI	1		1
CLOS SANT PAUL	6	9	15
COBBLERS COURT		2	2
COEDCAE ROAD		3	3
COLDSTREAM STREET	6	3	9
COLESHILL TERRACE	3	6	9
COLLEGE SQUARE		1	1
COLLGE HILL	1		1
COPPERWORKS ROAD	5	1	6
CORPORATION AVENUE	1	3	4
CORPORATION CLOSE	1		1
COWELL PRECINCT		1	1
COWELL STREET	8	4	12
CROWN PARADE	2		2
CWRT NEVILLE	2	1	3
CWRT Y WERN	1		1
DAFEN		2	2
DANYRALLT	1		1
DILLWYN STREET	1	2	3

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Location	2022	2021	Total
DOLAU COURT		1	1
DOLAU FAWR	1		1
DOLAU ROAD	1	1	2
EASTGATE	9	7	16
EASTGATE SHOPPING CENTRE	6	8	14
ELIZABETH STREET		2	2
EMMA STREET		1	1
ERW ROAD	5	17	22
FELINFOEL ROAD	3	1	4
FESTIVAL FIELDS	1		1
FIRTH ROAD	1	1	2
FLORENCE STREET		2	2
FOUNDRY ROAD	1	6	7
FRON TERRACE		2	2
FRONDEG TERRACE		1	1
FURNACE	1		1
FURNACE TO FIVE ROADS	1		1
GATHEN TERRACE	1		1
GELLI ONN	1		1
GEORGE STREET	1		1
GER Y COED		2	2
GER Y LLAN	1	1	2

Location	2022	2021	Total
GILBERT CRESCENT	1	1	2
GLANDAFEN ROAD		1	1
GLANMOR PLACE		1	1
GLANMOR ROAD	2		2
GLANMOR TERRACE	2		2
GLENALLA ROAD	1	1	2
GORING ROAD	1		1
GRAIG AVENUE		1	1
GRANBY CLOSE	1	4	5
GREAT WESTERN CRESCENT	9	9	18
HALL STREET	2	2	4
HARRIES AVENUE		2	2
HEOL DINAS		1	1
HEOL GOFFA	1	4	5
HEOL GWYR	1		1
HEOL TREGONING		3	3
HIGH MEAD AVENUE	1		1
HOME BARGAINS	1		1
INKERMAN STREET	2		2
ISLAND PLACE	2	2	4
JAMES STREET	1	1	2
JOHN STREET	7	1	8

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Location	2022	2021	Total
KING GEORGES AVENUE		1	1
LAKEFIELD PLACE	1		1
LAKEFIELD ROAD	3	1	4
LLANELLI	2	1	3
LLANELLI BEACH	1		1
LLANELLI BEACH	5	5	10
LLANERCH TERRACE		2	2
LLANGYNOG	1		1
LLEWELLYN STREET		2	2
LLOYD STREET	2	4	6
LLYS ARTHUR		1	1
LLYS GLAN Y MOR		1	1
LLYS PENALLT	1		1
LLYS Y DRINDOD		1	1
LLYS Y GOF	1		1
LLYS Y MORWR	1	4	5
LUTON TERRACE	1		1
MACHYNYNS PENINSULA G	1		1
MAENGWYNNE	1		1
MAES WERDD		2	2
MAES Y COED	8	3	11
MAES YR HAF		1	1

Location	2022	2021	Total
MAESTIR		5	5
MANSEL STREET		1	1
MARBLE HALL ROAD	2		2
MARINE STREET	3	1	4
MARKET PRECINCT		1	1
MARKET STREET	2	2	4
MARSH STREET	3	1	4
MERTHYR TYDFIL	1		1
MILL LANE	3	1	4
MORFA		1	1
MORFA PARK	1	2	3
MURRAY STREET	11	9	20
NATHAN STREET	1	1	2
NELSON TERRACE	2	2	4
NEW DOCK ROAD	2	4	6
NEW ROAD		2	2
NEW STREET	5		5
NEW ZEALAND STREET	2		2
NORTH DOCK	5	3	8
NORTON ROAD		1	1
NOT KNOWN	4		4
OLD CASTLE ROAD	4	1	5

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Location	2022	2021	Total
OLD ROAD	4	2	6
OLIVE STREET	1		1
PADDOCK STREET	1		1
PARC HOWARD	4	2	6
PARC TROSTRE	15	14	29
PARK CRESCENT	3		3
PARK STREET	1	5	6
PARKVIEW TERRACE	1	1	2
PEMBERTON INDUSTRIAL	1		1
PEMBERTON STREET	1	1	2
PEMBREY ROAD	3	4	7
PEN Y MORFA		1	1
PEN Y WERN	2		2
PENALLT ROAD	3		3
PENIEL		2	2
PENRHYN GWYN	1		1
PENTRE DOC Y GOGLEDD		1	1
PENTRE NICKLAUS VILLAGE		1	1
PENYFAN	2		2
PENYFAN QUARRY	1		1
PENYFAN ROAD		1	1
PENYGAER PLAYING FIELDS	1		1

Location	2022	2021	Total
PENYGAER ROAD		1	1
PEOPLES PARK	5	6	11
POLICE STATION	3		3
POTTERY PLACE		1	1
POTTERY STREET		1	1
PRINCESS COURT	1		1
PWLL	2	1	3
PWLL ROAD	4	3	7
QUEEN VICTORIA ROAD	4	6	10
RABY STREET	2	3	5
RAILWAY PLACE		3	3
RALPH TERRACE	2		2
REGALIA TERRACE	1		1
RHYDYRAFON	1		1
RICHARD STREET		1	1
RICHMOND TERRACE	1		1
ROBINSON STREET	1		1
ROPEWALK ROAD	3	1	4
SANDPIPER ROAD		1	1
SANDY ROAD	6	6	12
SANDY WATER PARK	3	1	4
SCHOOL ROAD	3		3

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Location	2022	2021	Total
SEASIDE	2	2	4
SEASIDE TO MACHYNYS	1		1
SPRINGFIELDS		1	1
ST ELLI SHOPPING CENTRE	21	15	36
STATION ROAD	60	64	124
STEBONHEALTH TERRACE	1		1
STEPNEY PLACE		2	2
STEPNEY STREET	31	15	46
STEWART STREET	1		1
SUNKEN GARDENS	5	6	11
SUNNYHILL		2	2
SWANFIELD PLACE	14	4	18
SWANFIELD RD	1		1
SWANSEA ROAD	4	2	6
TALBOT STREET		1	1
THE AVENUE	3		3
THOMAS STREET	5	3	8
TIR YSGOL		2	2
TIRWAUN	1		1
TOWN HALL SQUARE	16	23	39
TRAMWAY ROAD		1	1
TRINITY RD, LLANELLI		1	1

Location	2022	2021	Total
TROSTRE		1	1
TROSTRE ROAD	4	5	9
TUNNEL ROAD	2	2	4
TY STAFFORD		2	2
UPPER CROSS ROAD		1	1
UPPER PARK STREET		1	1
UPPER ROBINSON STREET	1	1	2
VAUGHAN STREET	12	10	22
VAUXHALL	2	2	4
WADDLES COURT	3		3
WALTERS ROAD	1	1	2
WATER PARK TO SEASIDE		1	1
WATERLOO STREET	2		2
WAUNLANYRAFON	1	1	2
WERN ROAD	1	2	3
WEST END	1	1	2
WESTBURY STREET	1		1
WESTVIEW TERRACE	1		1
YNYSWEN	2		2
Total	509	482	991

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Appendix 10 Drug Related Crime, ASB & Public Safety Incidents

Location	2022	2021	Total
ANN STREET		1	1
ARTHUR STREET	1		1
BRIDGE STREET		2	2
CAMBRIAN STREET		1	1
CHURCH STREET	3		3
CLOS SANT PAUL	2	1	3
COLDSTREAM STREET	1		1
COWELL STREET		3	3
DILLWYN STREET	1		1
DOLAU FAWR		1	1
EASTGATE	1	1	2
EASTGATE SHOPPING CENTRE	3	3	6
ERW ROAD		1	1
GREAT WESTERN CRESCENT		2	2
GREENFIELD LANE		1	1
KING GEORGES AVENUE	1		1
LANDGLAND ROAD	1		1
LLANELLI BEACH		1	1
LOWER TROSTRE ROAD	1		1
MORFA	1		1
MORFA PARK	1		1

Location	2022	2021	Total
MURRAY STREET	1	2	3
NEW DOCK ROAD	1		1
NIGHTINGALE COURT		1	1
NORTH DOCK, LLANELLI		1	1
OLD CASTLE ROAD	1	1	2
PARC TROSTRE	1	4	5
PARK CRESCENT		2	2
PARKVIEW TERRACE	1	1	2
PEMBERTON ST, LLANELLI	1		1
PENYFAN ROAD	1		1
PENYFAN, PENYFAN, LLANELLI	1		1
PENYGAER PLAYING FIELDS		1	1
PENYGAER ROAD	2		2
PEOPLES PARK	1	1	2
REGALIA TERRACE		1	1
RHYDYRAFON		1	1
SANDY ROAD		1	1
SEASIDE		1	1
ST ELLI SHOPPING CENTRE	1	1	2
STAFFORD STREET	1		1
STATION ROAD	5	2	7

Appendix 10 Drug Related Crime, ASB & Public Safety Incidents

Location	2022	2021	Total
STEPNEY PLACE		1	1
STEPNEY STREET	1		1
THE AVENUE	1		1
TOWN HALL SQUARE	1		1
TROSTRE ROAD	1		1
VAUGHAN STREET	2	1	3
WESTEND		1	1
Total	41	42	83

CABINET

11th December 2023

SCHOOL ADMISSIONS

Primary School Admissions Review (Rising 4s)

Recommendations / key decisions required:		
It is recommended that Cabinet considers the contents of the report.		
Reasons:		
To provide information on a gap analysis of early years provision across the county to inform a decision on whether to consult on a change to primary school full time admission arrangements (Rising 4s Policy).		
Preliminary Cabinet Consulted: YES		
Relevant Scrutiny Committee Consulted: NO		
Cabinet Decision Required YES		
Council Decision Required NO		
Cabinet Member Portfolio Holder: Cllr. Glynog Davies (Education and Welsh Language)		
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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

CABINET 11th December 2023

SCHOOL ADMISSIONS Primary School Admissions Review (Rising 4s)

Background

In 2018/19 the Education & Children Scrutiny Committee completed a Task & Finish Review of the current provision for early years education, childcare and play opportunities.

One of the conclusions identified in the report was that that the Authority's 'Rising 4s' policy is markedly different to other neighbouring local authorities' and that the 'Council undertake a formal review of its current admissions policy for full time education for 4-year-olds (the rising 4s policy).'

Cabinet has already considered a report into the rationale for this and requested an assessment of the implications of removal of the Rising 4s Policy in individual schools.

Purpose

This document takes the form of a gap analysis of education provision for 3- and 4-year-old children should the Policy be amended. It highlights where removal of the Policy will have limited or no impact and those schools (all 4-11 schools) where removal will leave gaps in provision in some schools and geographical areas. Potential solutions where gaps in provision have been identified has been proposed. However, any financial implications of changes resulting in increased expenditure would make them contingent on the removal of the Rising 4s Policy.

The attached document presents the gap analysis, and summarises schools into different types according to their current provision.

It is important to highlight the potential implications of any changes to current arrangements in terms of parental perception, equity of provision, redistribution of funding consultation requirements and accommodation issues.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Cabinet considers the contents of the report, and its recommendations as follows:

That Carmarthenshire as the Admissions Authority for Community and Voluntary Controlled primary schools:

- During the annual admissions consultation exercise in January 2024, for potential implementation in September 2025, consults on the removal of the Rising 4s Policy.

DETAILED REPORT ATTACHED?

YES: Report

IMPLICATIONS

I confirm that other than those implications which have been agreed with the appropriate Directors / Heads of Service and are referred to in detail below, there are no other implications associated with this report.

Signed:  Head of Access to Education

Policy, Crime & Disorder and Equalities	Legal	Finance	ICT	Risk Management Issues	Staffing Implications	Physical Assets
YES	YES	YES	NO	NO	YES	NO

Policy, Crime & Disorder and Equalities

Any changes to primary school admission arrangements will affect Carmarthenshire's School Admissions Policy and require the appropriate consultations as laid out in the Welsh Governments School Admissions Code.

Legal

Section 84 of the School Standards and Framework Act 1998 and amended by Section 40 of the Education and Inspections Act 2006 introduced the requirement for the Welsh Ministers to issue a Code in respect of the discharge of admissions functions. In particular, the Code also sought to safeguard the interests of parents, children and young people by ensuring that school admissions are administered in the fairest and most equitable way possible.

The most recent School Admissions Code was issued in 2013 and is intended to clarify the process for everyone with an interest in school admissions and school admission appeals, help admission authorities to fulfil their duties correctly and improve working practices.

Finance

There is an opportunity to explore altering the full-time admission of pupils, creating more 3-11 schools to offer part time nursery provision in their locality, provide more business opportunities to the non-maintained sector to provide early years provision/wrap around care and make budget efficiencies. This would require further detailed financial modelling as recommended by the task and finish report.

Staffing Implications

A change to the primary school's admissions policy and a more detailed review into the impact on each school may have staffing implications which will be addressed in accordance with the County Council's Policy and Procedures.

CONSULTATIONS

I confirm that the appropriate consultations have taken in place and the outcomes are as detailed below:

Signed:



Head of Access to Education

1. Scrutiny Committee request for pre-determination	NO
Scrutiny Committee	
Date the report was considered:-	
Scrutiny Committee Outcome/Recommendations:-	

2. Local Member(s) – Not applicable at this stage.

3. Community / Town Council – Not applicable at this stage.

4. Relevant Partners – Not applicable at this stage.

5. Staff Side Representatives and other Organisations – Not applicable at this stage.

**EXECUTIVE BOARD PORTFOLIO
HOLDER(S) AWARE/CONSULTED
YES**

N/A

**Section 100D Local Government Act, 1972 – Access to Information
List of Background Papers used in the preparation of this report:**

Title of Document	File Ref No. / Locations that the papers are available for public inspection
PRIMARY SCHOOLS Admissions Review (Rising 4s)	https://democracy.carmarthenshire.gov.wales/ieListDocuments.aspx?Cid=405&Mid=7154&Ver=4
SCHOOL ADMISSIONS - Primary School Admissions Review (Rising 4s)	https://democracy.carmarthenshire.gov.wales/ieListDocuments.aspx?Cid=131&Mid=5719&Ver=4
Carmarthenshire County Council School Admissions Policy 2021- 22	https://www.carmarthenshire.gov.wales/media/1225137/school-admissions-policy-2021-22.pdf
School Admissions Code (Wales) 2013	https://gov.wales/sites/default/files/publications/2018-03/school-admissions-code.pdf

Rising 4s Policy Review – Gap Analysis



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Rising 4s Policy Review

Early Years Provision Gap Analysis

Context

Carmarthenshire is the only one of the 22 Local Authorities in Wales to have a Rising 4s Policy, whereby children can leave part-time nursery education and enter full-time primary education in the term of their fourth birthday. This creates three entry points during the year for children entering full-time education and has implications for resourcing at both individual school and local authority levels which have been documented elsewhere in other reports. There are compelling arguments to review this provision and bring Carmarthenshire into line with other authorities by consulting on a change to this policy. A policy change would mean the implementation of either of the following options:

- **Children enter full-time provision in the term following their fourth birthday.** This is the case in three other LAs, which include Pembrokeshire and Ceredigion, Carmarthenshire's nearest neighbours.
- **Children enter full-time provision in the September following their fourth birthday.** This is the case in eighteen other LAs.

The rationale for change was presented to Cabinet in October 2022 and although there was broad agreement that consulting on removing the Rising 4s Policy would be desirable, Cabinet understandably wished to explore the implications in more detail. Carmarthenshire operates a very mixed economy of pre-school provision across the Authority. There is a mixture of maintained and non-maintained early years settings and a combination of both 3-11 and 4-11 schools. Between them they provide 10 hours per week of statutory education for nursery children and a range of wrap around care options to meet varying demand across the county. Provision is further complicated by the geographical context of Carmarthenshire with schools in urban, rural, and often fairly remote rural settings. Removing the Rising 4s Policy would mean that children currently in part-time provision in both maintained and non-maintained settings would remain in that provision for a longer period of time before becoming eligible for full-time depending on which of the above options were to be implemented. This could have implications for existing capacity to meet wrap around care requirements as well as provision of the 10 hours education element in some settings.

A gap analysis has been undertaken to identify the potential impact of removing the Rising 4s Policy in each individual school. The gap analysis illustrates the complexity of the picture in Carmarthenshire but enables us provide recommendations for schools where gaps in provision may be created by removal of the Rising 4s.

The range of current provision in primary schools is as follows:

3-11 Schools

These schools admit children into their nursery class in the term following their third birthday. The school provides between 10 and 12.5 hours per week of statutory education for these children on a part-time basis, usually in either a morning or afternoon session. This maintained provision is funded from the schools' delegated budget and schools receive 50% of the Age Weighted Pupil Value (AWPV) for primary aged children for each nursery child attending. The children either go home or attend a non-maintained setting such as a Cylch

Meithrin, usually on the school premises when not attending the education provision. Such provision is paid for by parents. Working parents are able to claim funding from Welsh Government for some or all of this provision.

In most cases, 3-11 schools can make adequate provision for both education and wrap around care and are unlikely to be greatly affected by the removal of the Rising 4s Policy from point of view of provision of the education element. As part of the consultation, these schools will need to review their capacity if children remain in part-time provision for longer, but this will be offset by having fewer children entering full-time education.

4-11 Schools

4-11 schools admit children on a full-time basis in the term of their fourth birthday. The 10-12.5 hours education is provided either in a non-maintained setting such as Cylch Meithrin or private nursery either on the school premises or in the local community, through Flying Start provision or, as in a number of schools, not at all. Non-maintained settings either on school premises or in the community also provide wrap around care. Parents pay a sessional charge for all non-maintained provision but can claim an element of this back from Welsh Government.

In some cases, the 10-12.5 hours education element in 4-11 schools is provided by the non-maintained setting for which the setting receives an element of funding from the Local Authority. In such cases, the setting is subject to inspection by Estyn and receives advisory support from the Education Support Team. Not all non-maintained settings have the capacity to deliver this provision either because of a lack of appropriately trained staff or because of an unwillingness to come under Estyn scrutiny.

Some of these schools provide an additional element of care in the form of breakfast clubs and registered or non-registered after school clubs (ASC) according to whatever demand exists. A non-registered ASC can provide care for up to 2 hours and a registered ASC can provide full wrap around in accordance with the requirements of parents.

It is in 4-11 schools where the impact of removing the Rising 4s Policy may be greatest. There will, in theory, be less available provision for children who at present enter full-time education soon after their fourth birthday and will be required to wait longer, potentially up to a full year for those who turn 4 in the Autumn term. This impact will be most acute where there is a lack of non-maintained provision either on-site or in the local area. Where the gap can be filled by non-maintained settings in providing the education element alongside the care element as described above, the impact will be less but whilst this may be an option in some cases, it will not be in others. There may also be an issue in 4-11 schools which have Flying Start provision which caters for 2-3 year olds in economically challenged areas of the county. Whilst currently, children leave Flying Start provision to enter full time school in the term of their fourth birthday, the removal of the Rising 4s policy could mean that there is nowhere for these children to go in the local area until they are able to go full time.

One potential solution for 4-11 schools where there is limited alternative provision for those children unable to start full-time school earlier is to consider changing their age range to 3-11. This would enable the school to deliver the 10-12.5 hours per week education element. This consideration would need to be made on a school-by-school basis and in line with other school organisation requirements. There are likely to be some financial implications as an

increased number of nursery children will come under maintained provision at 50% but this will be offset to some extent by fewer children receiving 100% funding by turning full-time.

Gap Analysis

There is a range of different scenarios which relate to each individual school, and these are summarised below. The 95 primary schools can be grouped under a number of broad types which serve to illustrate the complexity of the issue. Recommendations can be made for each school based on the context for each type if the Rising 4s Policy is removed following consultation:

1	3 - 11 school with non-maintained delivering care provision on school premises
2	3 - 11 school with Flying Start provision
3	3 - 11 school
4	4 - 11 school with Flying Start or approved non-maintained delivering PT education to 3-year-olds on school premises
5a	4 - 11 school with non-maintained delivering PT education to 3-year-olds on school premises
5b	4 - 11 school with approved non-maintained delivering PT education to 3-year-olds in the community in close proximity to school
5c	Type 5a and 5b schools but where there are concerns regarding the quality of education provision or the future sustainability of the setting
6	4 - 11 school with no PT education either on site or in close proximity. There may also limited local provision of care element

The following information is intended to summarise the information and recommendations:

Type 1-3

In total, these schools account for **44% of all primary schools** and all are 3-11 schools. By virtue of being 3-11 schools, they all provide the 10-12.5 hours education element for 3-year-olds on a sessional basis either in the morning or afternoon.

Type 1 and 2 schools also provide either non-maintained care or Flying Start provision on site.

Type 3 schools do not have additional care provision on site, but this is due to there either being no demand for this and/or there is adequate provision in the local community, whether through organisations such as Mudiad Meithrin or private nurseries offering day care. The implication for all of these schools is that if the Rising 4s were removed, children would remain in part-time provision for longer before entering full time education. This may generate a financial saving to the schools' delegated budget as children will continue to receive 50% funding rather than move to 100% for up to two additional terms. The removal of the Rising 4s could have implications in some 3-11 schools by creating surplus teaching staff as the number of full-time learners joining at the current entry points in January and April would be fewer. This would require evaluation on a school-by-school basis as part of the consultation process. However, subject to an analysis of space requirements for the additional nursery children and a consideration of whether it might create demand for additional wrap-around care in some schools, it is suggested that removing the Rising 4s would require no further action in these schools.

Type 4

These account for **3% of all schools**. These are 4-11 schools where the 10-12.5 hours education provision is delivered either by Flying Start or approved Mudiad Meithrin settings on the school premises. Provision of wrap around care is by Flying Start or there is deemed to be sufficient capacity in the local area via private providers. There would need to be assessment of the capacity of these non-maintained settings to retain 4-year-olds for longer prior to them becoming eligible for full time school. However, if the capacity exists, this could be to their economic advantage as their numbers of part-time children over the year should increase. It is suggested that removing the Rising 4s would require no further action in these schools.

Type 5a

11 schools (11.5%) are 4-11 schools but have non-maintained settings on the school premises who deliver the 10-12.5 hours education element, in most cases through Mudiad Meithrin. However, there are concerns that in around half of these non-maintained settings, the standard of education provision is either of insufficient quality to meet Estyn requirements or there are question marks over the future sustainability of the provision due either to a lack of qualified staffing or to low demand meaning that there are insufficient pupil numbers to maintain future viability. This would suggest that there may be a gap in the equity of provision for children in these schools if removal of the Rising 4s meant that they would remain in part-time provision for longer before entering full-time education.

It is suggested that these schools move into a further Type 5c (red) group as below. For those Type 5a schools where there is adequate and sustainable provision in the on-site non-maintained setting, it is suggested that no immediate action would need to be taken subject to an assessment of capacity to be able to retain more part-time children for longer. There will, however, need to be an assessment of the financial and staffing implications in each of these schools of fewer children turning full-time in January and April as part of the consultation process.

Type 5b

16 schools (17%) are 4-11 schools but have non-maintained settings in the community and within a reasonable distance to the school premises and who can deliver the 10-12.5 hours education element. However, as with Type 5a above, there are similar concerns regarding quality of education standards and/or future sustainability in 6 of these settings.

It is suggested that these schools are also considered under the Type 5c (red) group as below.

For those Type 5b schools where there is adequate and sustainable provision in the community in non-maintained settings close to the school, it is suggested that no immediate action needs to be taken subject to an assessment of capacity to be able to retain more part-time children for longer as there appears to be adequate provision for these children.

There will also need to be an assessment of the financial and staffing implications in each of these schools of fewer children turning full-time in January and April as for Type 5a. However, the status of type 5a and 5b schools would need to be monitored and reviewed on an annual basis to ensure that they are meeting the required standards of provision and are sustainable in terms of pupil numbers and staffing.

Type 5c (red)

12 schools (13%) are Type 5a and 5b schools where there is non-maintained provision available either on school premises or in the local community which can meet the care needs of children and families but may not be able to meet the 10-12.5 hours education element to a required standard, as described above. Removal of the Rising 4s will mean that children in these schools will remain part-time for longer and under the status quo, this could lead to a lack of equity in provision.

It is therefore recommended that consideration is given on an individual school basis to some of them becoming 3-11 schools in order that they can be appropriately funded and staffed to deliver part-time education for 3-year-olds on school premises under the control of the school. This will require a redistribution of funding with the additional 50% funding required for these schools coming from the savings made from reducing the numbers receiving full funding from going full-time in January and April.

Type 6

22 schools (23%) are 4-11 schools where there is insufficient provision of either or both of 3-year-old education and wrap around care, both in school and in the local community. In many cases these are very small schools, often in geographically remote areas where family networks may provide the care support for parents or where there is simply a lack of demand for formal care provision and where non-maintained provision is unlikely to be viable.

These are the schools where the removal of the Rising 4s may have the greatest impact due to a lack of alternatives for parents if children are forced to enter full-time provision up to a year later. For some of these schools, it is recommended that consideration is given on an individual school basis and in line with other school organisation strategies that they become 3-11 schools to enable delivery of part-time education to 3-year-olds.

For those where this is deemed to be the most appropriate strategy, it will be an improvement on the situation for children and families as things currently stand making provision for them which does not exist now.

Summary

In conclusion, the gap analysis suggests that removal of the Rising 4s Policy so that children move from nursery to reception classes and begin full-time education later, the following recommendations would apply across the 95 primary schools in Carmarthenshire:

- 44% of schools are 3-11 and would require little action.
- 19% of schools are 4-11 and would require little further action in the first instance. These would need to be monitored to ensure sustainability of non-maintained provision of education and/or care.
- 36% of schools are 4-11 and it is recommended that, on an individual school by school basis and in line with other school organisation strategies, consideration is given to them becoming 3-11 to ensure equity of provision.

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