

TROEDYRAUR COMMUNITY **COUNCIL**



Annual Report **2024/25**

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Foreword by the Chair of the Council

I have great pleasure in presenting the annual report of Troedryaur Community Council. It provides an overview of the Council's work during the period 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025.

The council meet monthly at village halls rotating between Coedybryn, Ffostrasol and Rhydlewis.

I would like to personally thank all the Council members along with the Clerk for their support and contribution throughout the year.

I would also like to thank you all as members of the community for the support and the work that you do to keep our villages and community clean, tidy and peaceful.

Councillor Sian Williams

2024/2025 Chair of Troedryaur Community Council

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Roles and Functions of Troedysraur Community Council

The Council's Role

Work done by the Community Council

The 1972 Local Government Act states that every part of Wales is in a community. In England, the term "Parish Councils" is still used but in Wales, however, the legal and constitutional term for these units of local government administration is termed "Community Councils"

The Community Council represents the lowest tier of local government and is closest to the public as regards meeting local needs. The Council has several statutory rights and duties.

The Community Council provides funding for many local clubs and events and also make observations on planning applications which are eventually decided upon by Ceredigion County Council.

What is the Council structure?

A list of your local councillors is provided in section 3. The Community Council has 11 Councillors. They are elected every 5 years. A part time Clerk/Responsible Financial Officer is employed to handle all arrangements for meetings and preparing an agenda to deal with the records and financial and administrative matters linked to implementing the Council's work. Contractors are also employed to carry out specialist work such as repair and maintenance.

How does the Council work?

Any work done by the Council will be implemented following decisions taken at open meetings. Any work is paid for with public money which the Council receives through raising a precept which is part of the Council Tax set by Ceredigion County Council.

What is the Council's precept?

In 2024/25 the Council's precept was set at £12,000. The precept is raised to finance the Community Council's responsibilities such as defibrillator maintenance, general maintenance and upkeep of community bus shelters and benches, spring, summer flowers, Christmas trees for all villages and contributions to local organisations. In addition salt boxes have been allocated around the Community to support safety of all

All of Troedyrour Community Councillors waived their annual allowance for the year 2024/25

Can the public attend the meetings?

Members of the public are welcome to attend our meetings. Access is available for members of the public either in person or online, this is in accordance with 'Community & Town Councils Digital Guidance May2024' produced by One Voice Wales. They are not entitled to take part in Council discussions or give their opinion during the meeting. Should members of the public wish to add an item to the agenda or make a comment/statement regarding an item on the agenda they must give notice at least 7 days prior to the meeting. The Chairperson can allocate a 10 minute window at the start of the meeting for any issue concerned where the public can engage.

Council meetings are held monthly, except for August, and are usually held on the first Tuesday of each month at either Coedybryn, Ffostrasol or Rhydlewis village Hall.

Annual Meeting

The annual meeting is a legal obligation as stated by the Local Government Act 1972. The annual meetings must be held during the month of May. Council decides on the date. The first item on the agenda must be the election of the Chairperson of the Community Council for the next twelve months.

Election

To be elected as a Councillor a member must be qualified under the law, be a British Citizen and must have attained the age of 21.

The applicant must also be-

- a local government elector
- has, during the whole twelve months preceding that day, occupied as owner or tenant any land or other premises in the same area
- principal, or only place of work, during twelve months before election, has been in that area.
- resided during the whole of twelve months in that area, or within three miles of that area

Training programme

A continued training plan is in place for all Councillors and it is a requirement for us to attend in order to fulfil our duties as members of the council.

PCSO

Our local PCSO officer attends Council meetings occasionally. It proves very beneficial in maintaining a good relationship between the Council and our community.

Planning Applications

Planning Applications are considered at every meeting and comments are sent to the Planning Service accordingly.

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Membership of the Council

2024/2025

Troedryraur Community Council has 11 Councillors

- **Councillor Sian Williams (Chair) 2024-25**
- **Councillor Sharon Thomas (Vice Chair)**
- **Councillor Ceri Jones**
- **Councillor Mark Davies**
- **Councillor Carol Davies**
- **Councillor Llyr Evans**
- **Councillor Teifi Evans**
- **Councillor Emyr Jones**
- **Councillor Rob Jones**
- **Councillor Maldwyn Lewis**
- **Councillor Osian Davies**

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The Council's Work in 2024/2025

We are pleased to report that our objectives for the year have been fulfilled and it is a great pleasure to share these with our Community.

May

Flower Planters

Upkeep of the planters within our villages to create colourful and proud entrances to our villages. The Spring daffodils were great and the Summer flowers flourished.



An additional planter for Capel Cynon was placed this year





Defib Pads / Batteries and training

The upkeep of all Defibrillators, pads and batteries continue and training was held in Ffostrasol Village Hall in May by Pauline

Cyngor Cymuned Troed-yr-aur

The circuit
The National Defibrillator Network

Dewch i ddysgu am 'CPR' a sut i ddefnyddio'r Defibrillator.
14/05/24
Neuadd Ffostrasol Hall
7 yr hwyr / 7 pm
Come and learn how to do CPR and how to use the defibrillator

Niferoedd cyfyngedig
Limited spaces available
I archebu lle cysylltwch a'r Clerc
clerc@cctroedvraur.cymru
07528 296234
To book your place contact the Clerk

Troed-yr-aur Community Council



June

In order for Troedryaur Community Council to abide to the 'Community & Town Councils Digital Guidance May2024' produced by One Voice Wales, equipment for Audio-only Meetings was purchased in order to facilitate the Community to join in with the monthly Community Council meetings should they so wish.



Two out of the three Village Halls that are being used for our monthly Council meetings now have access to Wifi and therefore can ensure access to the public to our meetings online.

"The Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021 introduced provisions for multi-location meetings for local authorities, including Community councils. This is covered by section 47 of the Act. The Act states that a local authority must make and publish arrangements to ensure that local authority meetings are able to be held so that; -
persons who are not in the same place can attend meetings, and these persons can speak to and be heard by each other."



The two signs for the Village of Maeslllyn were returned and gratefully received and placed in their rightful place.

The Annual exchanging of the chain was held at Ffostrasol Arms, where Roger Davies was presented with a certificate for his 17 years term for Troedryaur Community Council.



July

Treodyraur Community Council worked with our External Auditor and Audit Wales to ensure Finance documentation HWN DDIM YN MYND MEWN?

Aiming to connect with our residents at Troedryaur Community Council

Troedryaur Community Council have their website as well as setting up a Facebook Page where relevant correspondence is shared with all, it is building momentum slowly and it would be great to have more people

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Community benches are now in position at Rhydlewis and Brongest and existing bench repaired and in

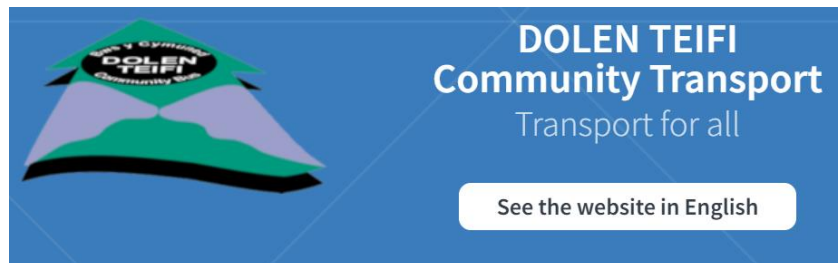


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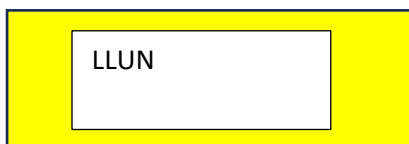
Green Dragon and Dolen Teifi are now running various services within our Community to allow access to all.

Green Dragon Bus

from the Preseli Rural Transport Association



The new public noticeboard was placed in Ffostrasol



Carols around the Christmas trees



Carolau o amgylch y goeden Nadolig
Cyngor Cymuned Troedryraur

Dewch i ymuno yng ngharolau a throi goleuadau'r goeden arno. **1:12:24**
Gwin poeth i bawb yn newydd
Coed-y-bryn i ddilyn

Brongest – 4 yh / pm
Rhydlewis – 4:30 yh / pm
Ffostrasol – 5 yh / pm
Bwlchygroes – 5:30 yh / pm
Croeslan – 6 yh / pm
Maesllyn – 6:30 yh / pm
Coed-y-bryn – 7 yh / pm

Come and join us for Carol singing and turning on the Christmas tree lights **1:12:24**
Mulled wine for all in Coed-y-bryn Hall to follow

Troedryraur Community Council
Carols around the Christmas tree

As with previous years the Council provided Christmas trees within our Community and further solar lights were purchased.

This year saw the community coming together to share some festive Carol singing in each Village that the Community Council serve. It was greatly received despite the weather, with lots of people turning up. Followed by mince pies and mulled wine at Coed-y-bryn Village Hall. Thank you to all the residents who supported to achieve this festive celebration.



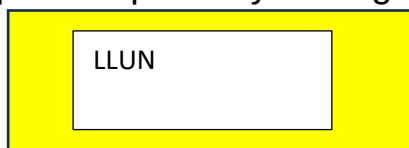
January

12 Salt Grit boxes have been purchased and placed within the Local Community.



Public Footpaths within the community

A few footpaths within the community have been cleared by private contractors to open the pathways and give access.



Storm and flood damage and support

During the bad weather Councillors supported some elderly individuals within their communities' supplying sandbags and clearing debris following the damage.

Financial Donations (Section 137)

- PWY ARALL DROS Y FLWYDDYN?
- Rhydlewis Bowls Club – new equipment
- Coedybryn village hall – update and renew snooker facility
- Tivyside Agricultural show – water tanks

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Future Priorities

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Priority areas for the Troedyrour Community Council to consider in 2025/26 are :-

- Purchasing and installing new hybrid conferencing equipment.
- Improving the Community Council's Website
- Finalise a location for 2 Community benches which have been donated
- Restore 'T Llew Jones' information board at Coedybryn hall
- Ensuring continuity and progression with our Training programme
- Replace Community Council notice board at Ffostrasol
- Salt boxes for affected areas
- Continuing dialog between members of our community and various other bodies.
- Support Public footpaths and rights of way maintenance within our Community.

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Attending meetings of Troedryaur Community Council

Troedryaur Community Council is open for Members of the public to attend their monthly meetings.

With the exception of confidential items, all business is held in public.

All of the public agenda papers are published online 7 working days in advance of the meeting

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