

COMMUNITY COUNCIL

What does the community council do?



Membership of the Dolwyddelan Community Council consists of 8 councillors representing Dolwyddelan, Roman Bridge, Pont-y-Pant, and all the LL25 area of the Lledr Valley. The Clerk is the finance and monitoring officer. There is a chairperson and vice chairperson with numerous sub-committees under the supervisory role of Dolwyddelan Community Council.

The community council have a number of basic responsibilities in making the lives of the local community more comfortable, many of which are often taken for granted. Essentially these powers fall within three main categories: representing the whole electorate within the community; delivering services to meet local needs; and striving to improve quality of life in the community. Individual powers can include local youth projects, tourism activities, leisure facilities, car parks, public lavatories, litter bins, street lighting, street cleaning, burial grounds, allotments, bus shelters, commons, open spaces, footpaths, bridleways, and crime reduction measures. The community council can also comment on planning applications - we are statutory consultees and can be represented at public inquiries. The Local Government (Wales) Measure 2011 introduced the new power of 'well-being' reflecting the Welsh government's initiative to revitalise local democracy enabling the sector to do more to improve the local social, economic and environmental situation of an area. The Community Council is able to apply for grants/funding to carry out works in accordance with these aims, as was done for Bryn Y Bedd Cemetery discussed in this newsletter. The community council is responsible for the upkeep of the Cenotaph, Bryn Y Bedd Cemetery and the public toilets. The Council is also responsible for some of the dog bins.

Recycling – Conwy County Borough Council have reported that they will not be distributing the collection calendars next year. The calendar will be available on the Conwy website to download and print out or you can download the app from the council website Resident>Recycling and Waste>The Conwy App. This will send out a reminder each Tuesday evening of what is being collected the next day. The County Council has also stopped providing the subsidised skips to the community councils, so we are working with Betws, Trefriw and Capel Curig councils to see if we can find a company to provide them twice a year. In the meantime, Conwy Council do a bulk waste collection for up to 4 items for £30 if you have anything large that needs removing.

Rural Digital Connectivity as part of the Community Plan

Menter Môn and Conwy Council are working on a project together namely, Rural Digital Connectivity. As we know there are areas in Dolwyddelan LL25 area where connectivity continues to be an issue. Menter Môn in collaboration with others on behalf of North Wales Ambition with UK Government Funding