

**Minutes of the meeting of the Environment Committee held
 at Y Gât on
 Tuesday, 7th January 2025 at 7.00pm**

Members of the Environment Committee present:
 Councillors, Dr WEVJ Davies, OGrant (Chairman), JMiller, BThornton.
 All other members of Council for information.

In attendance: Press (0), Members of the public (0), Carmarthenshire County Councillor (0)

- 1) **Apologies for absence. Cllr GADavies, RDavies.**
- 2) **Declarations of interest. Item 5 – Cllr Dr WEVJDavies**
- 3) **To consider any matters arising from the minutes of the meeting of the Environment Committee held on 3rd December 2024. (Exchange of information only).** Moles at Welfare field/skate park have returned. Fallen tree along Dark Lane information pending from public rights of way officer.
- 4) **To consider Planning Applications as notified by Carmarthenshire County Council.**

PL/08639 18/12/2024	Householder planning permission	Forrest View, St Clears, Carmarthen, SA33 4EU	Timber Framed Garden Room for additional family activities	Under Consultation	Consultation Period
PL/08650 18/12/2024	Full planning permission	<u>Llwynpiod</u> , St Clears, Carmarthen, SA33 4JS	Erection of a Livestock building with below ground slurry store	Under Consultation <u>Dyddiad Dechrau</u> Ymgynghori: 18/12/2024	Consultation Period <u>Dyddiad Gorffen</u> Ymgynghori: 08/01/2025

RECOMMENDED there be no observations/objections to planning application PL/08639 and PL/08650.

- 5) **To consider concerns raised regarding surface water along High Street from Obsidian development.** Concerns raised about surface water along High Street during heavy rainfall and mud along road potentially from excavation works from the building

site. **RECOMMENDED** that residents write to the Council expressing concerns and submit photographs, so Council has sufficient evidence to consider prior to writing to the Local Authority.

- 6) **To plan the committee's budget for 2025/26 for recommendation to the Council.** Members considered the Environment budget for 2025/26 and discussed a 5% uplift to cover rise in cost to goods and services plus an additional £350 to repair some of the benches in and around the town as part of the Council's replace & repair rolling programme. **RECOMMENDED 5% uplift to cover rise in costs plus an additional £350 to repair some of the benches in and around the town.**
- 7) **To further consider the management and budget for planters adopted by Community groups and create a brief.** Members discussed different options for this project with potential benches with small planters attached, where associations/community groups could then apply annually to manage a planter in accordance with the Town Council's biodiversity group. Consideration to be given to which planters would be offered and adapting the current tender agreement with Wrenvale Nurseries. **RECOMMENDED that a £30 budget per group per large planter would be sufficient and the association/group could reclaim up to this maximum amount.**
- 8) **To draft a benches improvement plan. NOTED. To be considered at future meeting of Environment committee.**
- 9) **To receive an update regarding the inspections of the Skateboard & Play Areas and discuss a plan for improvements.** Update reports received. Revised quotes for minor repairs considered from GBSports and JNWillimas. **RECOMMENDED to approve JNWilliams to complete the minor repair to the seesaw spring.**
- 10) **Correspondence.**
 - a) **Riverwalk footfall information (see appendix i)**
- 11) **Matters for the next agenda (exchange of information only)**
 - **Moles at Welfare field/skate park**
 - **Benches**

The chairman closed the meeting at 19:52hours.

Appendices

Appendix i

St Clears: River Walk: F156 Footfall Report / Adroddiad am nifer yr ymwelwyr

Period/Cyfnod: 01-12-2024 - 31-12-2024

Date/Dyddiad	< 07	07	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	> 19	Total/Cyfanswm
Sun/Sul 01-12-2024	2	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	2	1	-	-	2	10
Mon/Lun 02-12-2024	1	1	1	-	3	1	-	4	5	4	-	-	-	-	-	20
Tue/Mawr 03-12-2024	-	3	1	1	3	9	2	4	10	2	2	2	2	-	2	43
Wed/Mer 04-12-2024	-	3	-	3	11	-	4	6	2	2	2	-	-	-	1	34
Thu/Iau 05-12-2024	-	1	-	1	2	3	1	2	1	2	-	-	-	1	1	15
Fri/Gwe 06-12-2024	-	2	2	4	5	5	1	2	4	4	-	-	-	-	-	29
Sat/Sad 07-12-2024	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	4
Sun/Sul 08-12-2024	1	-	-	5	8	2	14	2	10	5	1	5	-	-	1	54
Mon/Lun 09-12-2024	-	1	-	3	6	5	6	7	-	7	3	1	-	-	1	40
Tue/Mawr 10-12-2024	-	4	2	1	4	5	6	6	3	5	7	6	-	1	1	51
Wed/Mer 11-12-2024	1	3	-	2	12	6	3	6	4	8	4	1	1	1	-	52
Thu/Iau 12-12-2024	1	2	-	3	2	4	4	5	3	6	3	3	2	10	1	49
Fri/Gwe 13-12-2024	-	1	2	4	4	2	7	5	7	4	2	4	-	-	2	44
Sat/Sad 14-12-2024	-	1	1	6	5	3	7	6	3	7	3	4	1	-	2	49
Sun/Sul 15-12-2024	-	-	8	5	9	3	5	12	6	1	4	1	2	-	2	58
Mon/Lun 16-12-2024	-	2	-	4	6	3	4	5	8	4	1	3	2	2	3	47
Tue/Mawr 17-12-2024	1	3	1	1	4	3	3	5	5	-	3	4	-	-	2	35
Wed/Mer 18-12-2024	1	1	2	2	15	2	2	-	2	2	4	-	-	-	1	34
Thu/Iau 19-12-2024	1	1	2	3	2	-	2	5	4	3	6	3	5	7	2	46
Fri/Gwe 20-12-2024	-	3	2	3	1	1	2	2	3	1	2	2	-	-	2	24
Sat/Sad 21-12-2024	-	-	2	5	1	2	7	3	7	9	3	-	1	1	-	41
Sun/Sul 22-12-2024	-	-	3	2	5	7	6	5	8	5	10	1	3	-	2	57
Mon/Lun 23-12-2024	-	1	4	6	6	10	3	4	5	3	3	-	-	-	3	48
Tue/Mawr 24-12-2024	-	2	4	5	5	4	8	4	7	2	9	2	2	-	2	56
Wed/Mer 25-12-2024	1	-	3	4	6	3	5	-	-	3	9	-	-	-	2	36
Thu/Iau 26-12-2024	-	-	2	6	6	15	4	9	1	12	12	1	-	1	2	71
Fri/Gwe 27-12-2024	-	1	1	5	2	9	6	8	7	7	5	1	1	1	1	55
Sat/Sad 28-12-2024	1	-	2	3	2	7	12	13	10	11	11	5	-	-	2	79
Sun/Sul 29-12-2024	1	-	2	7	3	6	7	9	8	6	8	1	2	-	1	61
Mon/Lun 30-12-2024	-	-	5	6	3	13	6	7	6	8	8	2	1	-	3	68
Tue/Mawr 31-12-2024	-	-	3	4	8	9	13	17	4	2	8	-	1	-	-	69
Total/Cyfanswm																1379