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Name of Town or Community Council: Henllanfallteg Community Council

Introduction and Context

Henllanfallteg is a community (civil parish in England). It is one of the seventy-three Communities that make up the county of Carmarthenshire. It was formed in 1930 mainly by amalgamating the old parishes of Llanfallteg East, Llanfallteg West and Henllan Amgoed and a very small part of Llangan. The current Community Council was created at the same time, with the former council of Llanfallteg and Henllan Amgoed being amalgamated.

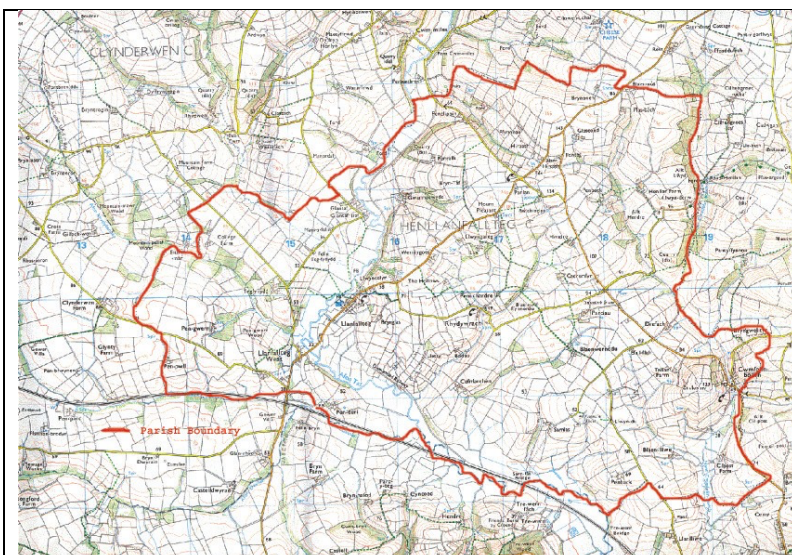
The ancient parish of Llanfallteg was at one stage divided between Pembrokeshire and Carmarthenshire as was Llandissilio. The part in Pembrokeshire was Llanfallteg West and the part in Carmarthenshire was Llanfallteg.

The modern Community of Henllanfallteg includes the villages and hamlets of Llanfallteg, Henllan Amgoed, Cwmfelin Boeth, Hiraeth and Rhydywrach. In the April 2003 boundary review a very small part of the Community was taken away from Carmarthenshire and put into Pembrokeshire along with the Community of Clynderwen.

The 2001 census found there were 163 households, with a total population of 423. This broke down to be 101 underage's of 18, 221 18 – 60 and 101 over 60. Just over 52% of the Community population declared they had capability in Welsh.

Henllanfallteg is situated in the far southwestern side of the county of Carmarthenshire which is in the southwest of Wales (UK). Only 2 miles away from the main A40 road, Henllanfallteg is very accessible and relatively easy to find.

Below, is a map outlining the Community borders of Henllanfallteg.



Henllanfallteg Community Council works with the Henllanfallteg Community Association and Playing Field Association to support the local biodiversity including on the playing field, local footpaths, the community centre and park.

Henllanfallteg Community Council does not own its own land which reduces the range of actions within its direct control. It can actively promote services which may have a positive impact on biodiversity, including providing grants for projects in the Council's area. We promote sustainability and biodiversity by pursuing sustainability goals and practices whenever possible.

Action Report

Action carried out to:		Monitored by:
Embed biodiversity into decision making & procurement	<p>Reflected the commitment to biodiversity and natural areas in the Council's 2022 Annual Report.</p> <p>Consider the implications for biodiversity when considering planning applications and other associated matters, such as footpath diversion orders and neighbourhood services matters.</p>	HCC
Raise awareness of biodiversity & its importance	<p>Encourage the community to volunteer in the context of nature/green spaces.</p> <p>Encourage the community to report concerns about biodiversity issues directly to Community Councillors.</p>	HCC

Safeguard principal species and habitats	<p>Safeguard and champion / support the local park, playing field and surrounding footpaths</p> <p>Identify the issue of Himalayan Balsam and the impact it is having on our native ecosystems and bank erosion.</p> <p>Identifying the issue of loss of trees in the community council and the issue of not replacing the loss.</p> <p>Ensured no negative impacts on protected species.</p>	HCC
Restore & create habitats and resilient ecological networks	<p>Encourage the creation of wildlife areas in park/playing fields to provide nesting and hibernating areas to encourage a range of species.</p> <p>Plant hanging baskets and planters with native pollinator friendly flowers.</p>	HCC
Tackle negative factors: for e.g., reduce pollution, use nature-based solutions, address invasive species	<p>Sustainable procurement policy which includes ensuring office supplies such as paper, cleaning products and office furniture are sustainably sourced (e.g., locally and/or made from recycled material).</p> <p>Park composting bin for green waste. To be used in our planters and hanging baskets.</p> <p>Reduce the use of pesticides to only where necessary</p>	HCC
Use improve and share evidence	S6 report shared with HCA and playing field association.	HCC

Support capacity and/or other organisations	Will look to ask any organisations receiving grant from us to demonstrate how this will contribute to supporting biodiversity as part of their project.	HCC
Review of S6 duty		
<p>This report was adopted at the meeting of the community council in March 2023. The review of the S6 Duty will be implemented alongside the Henllanfallteg Community Council annual review (each financial year). The review will include an evaluation of the current actions and update of the new action report for the following financial year.</p>		