

# CYNGOR CYMUNED LLANDEILO FERWALLT BISHOPSTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING



BISHOPSTON COMMUNITY FULL COUNCIL - 27/01/25 AT 19:00

CHAIR: L ELLIS

CLERK: ANTHONY JONES

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## PRESENT:

L. Ellis, N. Matthews, A. James, C Scott, B. Ball, R. Brace, I.Shemilt, H. Hartshorn, K. Laurence, Cllr Lyndon Jones

## 1. APOLOGIES

L. Sudbury, N. Lomas S. Dunce, J. Jones

## 2. DECLARATIONS OF PERSONNEL AND PREJUDICIAL INTEREST

- None

## 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

- The minutes from the meeting on 16/12/24 were approved.

## 4. PLANNING

- **7 Pyle Rd** – Roof extension and patio doors. No objections.
- **39 Pwll Du Lane** – Single-story extension. No objections.
- **151 Bishopston Road** - Non-material amendment to Planning Permission – Change from concrete tile to fiber cement slate. No objections.

## 5. ACCOUNTS FOR APPROVAL - December 2024

- Reviewed and approved, with no further actions required.

## 6. 2025-2026 Precept:

- Increase from £107,000 to £108,000.
- £1,000 contingency added for legal fees.
- Unanimous approval of the precept increase
- New furniture, removal of dead trees,

## 7. Emergency Committee

- Chair advised adding a discussion on forming an "Emergency Committee" to the agenda of the next meeting for further consideration when J Jones is present.

## 8. Biodiversity & Glyphosate Use Discussion

- K Laurence raised concerns about glyphosate's environmental and health impact.
- Cllr Lyndon Jones cautioned against a full ban without alternative solution and suggested consulting Swansea Council on safety and weed control.

## **ACTIONS:**

- Cllr Lyndon Jones to contact Swansea Council for guidance on glyphosate alternatives.
- Council to review Swansea Council's feedback before taking action.
- Council to consider other community councils sharing practices.

## **7. PROJECT UPDATES:**

### **ACTIVE TRAVEL TRACK**

- Awaiting the Charter Surveyor to meet with Edward Harris on 17/02/25 for an update.
- Cllr Lyndon has been advised that the earliest completion: Summer or Autumn 2025 (pending planning approvals).

### **WELLFIELD / MURTON PARK**

- Equipment ordered & funding secured for Wellfield.
- Expected completion: Spring 2025.

New additions include:

- Wheelchair-accessible roundabout.
- Basketball hoop
- Climbing frame for toddlers..
- Surfacing improvements around play equipment
- Murton Park needs attention; funding will need to be sourced and possible relocating of it due to the covenant.

### **COPLEY WOODS (INCLUDING PUMP TRACK)**

- Swansea Council will handle planning & environmental reports.
- £80,000 in funding secured, but £24,000 still needed.
- Awaiting a meeting with CurveStudios.
- Plans to integrate the project into broader Copley Woods redevelopment, including nature trails.

### **Action:**

Update Bishopston Skatepark Project

## **8. FOOTPATH OFFICER UPDATE: WALKERS ARE WELCOME**

### **1. Trade Show**

Bishopston and Pennard WaW had a stall at the Walking Trade Show at The View, Rhossili. Organised by the Swansea and Gower Walking Forum, it was a huge success. Sixteen organisations attended, improving collaboration. The National Trust plans to organise walks in our area, led by our WaW team.

### **2. Health Walks**

We are now actively involved in Health Walks at Pennard, benefiting both villages.

### **3. Meeting with Valeways**

Met with Valeways on 27 January 2025 to discuss maintaining footpaths with volunteers, supporting the Adopt a Path pilot scheme.

### **4. Storm Damage – Bishopston Valley**

The Council's Countryside Access Team has a plan to resolve the storm damage and is seeking funding.

### **5. Bishopston Valley Improvements**

On 18 February, we'll walk Bishopston Valley with the Gower Society and the National Trust to assess further work.

## 6. Knapp Farm to Pwlldu Path

Clearing and widening were done by the Ramblers and Access Team in December/January. Walkers' feedback has been very positive.

## 7. Adopt a Path Pilot

Delays due to county council responses. Volunteers are frustrated, but I'm addressing this. Discussions have started with SGRC to adopt the Knapp Farm path.

## 8. Coast Path Rerouting

For information: The rerouting of the coast path from Bracelet to Rotherslade will be completed by the end of March 2025.

## 9. CITY COUNCIL UPDATE - CLLR LYNDON JONES

- Local Development Plan (LDP2)
- Five landowners in Bishopston submitted sites for LDP2 consideration.
- Three sites moved to Stage 2 for further review (**SEE MAPS ATTACHED**) :
  - Land behind Bishopston Road (51B) – Evaluated for residential use.
  - Land east of Long Acre – Near bungalows; wildlife records being monitored.
  - Land west of Old Way – Adjacent to Eastlands Park; similar objections as Providence Lane.
- Public consultation will be held for residents to submit feedback.

### Actions:

- Clerk to post LDP2 updates on Facebook to inform residents.
- Council to encourage residents to submit feedback during consultation.

## 10. CORRESPONDENCE/CLERK'S REPORT

### Water Drainage & Flooding Concerns

- Recent large surface water the community hall car park raised concerns with residents
- Temporary trench suggested to redirect water to the bridge - quote being received in due course.
- Active Travel Track should fix this issue when installed.

### Actions:

- Clerk and I Shemilt to explore temporary trenching options.
- Solar panel delays; expected completion by next week.
- Locks changed & new key box installed (code will be updated regularly).
- Kitchen cleanliness issues raised.
- New large clock installed

### Well and Hole on Murton Green

- Jamie (contractor) unavailable until 14th February due to a holiday.
- Alternative contractors may be needed.

### Actions:

- Clerk to contact Jamie again after 14th February.
- Council to consider alternative contractors.

**End of Meeting. Next Meeting 24/02/25 @ 19:00**



**Site ID No / Rhif Adnabod y Safle: 97**

**Ward: Bishopston/Llandello**

**Gross Site Area (Ha) / Arwynebedd**

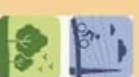
**Gros y Safle (Ha): 1.8ha**

**Brownfield / Tir llwyd: 0%**

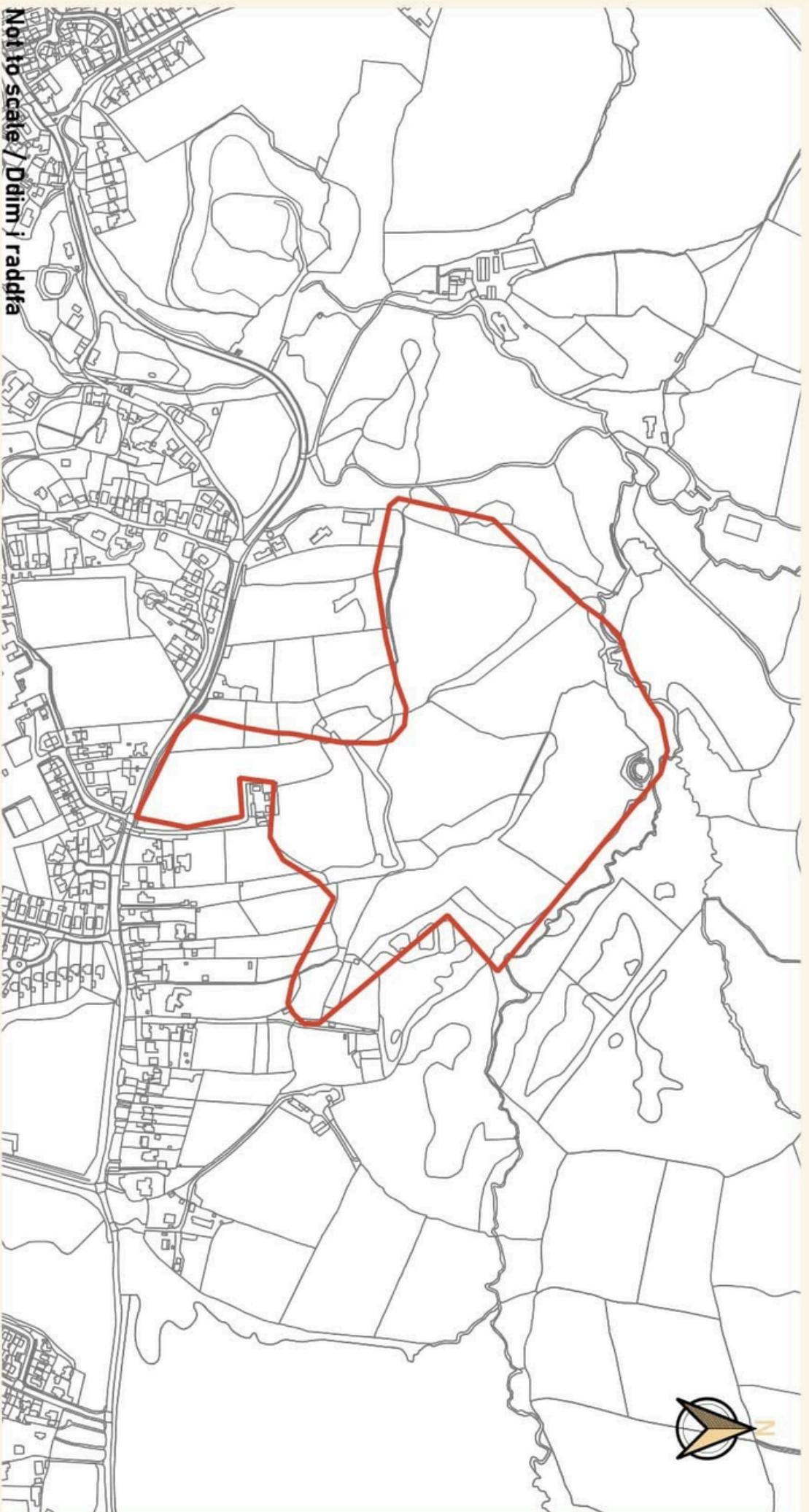
**Greenfield / Maes Glas: 100%**

**Site Name / Enw'r Safle: Land East of Long Acre, Murton  
Tir i'r Dwyrain o Long Acre, Murton**

**Proposed Use Category / Categori Defnydd Arfaethedig:  
Housing**



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**Site ID No / Rhif Adnabod y Safle: 107**

**Ward: Bishopston/Llandeilu**

**Gross Site Area (Ha) / Arwynebedd**

**Gros y Safle (Ha): 18.1ha**

**Brownfield / Tir llwyd: 0%**

**Greenfield / Maes Glas: 100%**

**Site Name / Enw'r Safle: Land to the North of Northway, Bishopston**

**Tir i'r Gogledd o Northway, Llandeilu Ferwallt**

**Proposed Use Category / Categori Defnydd Arfaethedig:**

**Housing, Open Space, Leisure**



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**Site ID No / Rhif Adnabod y Safle: 263**

**Ward: Bishopston/Llandeilu**

**Gross Site Area (Ha) / Arwynebedd**

**Gros y Safle (Ha): 2.8ha**

**Brownfield / Tir llwyd: 0%**

**Greenfield / Maes Glas: 100%**

**Site Name / Enw'r Safle: Land west of Oldway, Bishopston**

**Tir i'r Gorllewin o Oldway, Llandeilu Ferwallt**

**Proposed Use Category / Categori Defnydd Arfaethedig:**

**Housing**



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