

Reporting on Section 6

Community and Town Councils

Environment (Wales) Act 2016 Part 1 – Section 6
The Biodiversity and Resilience of Ecosystems Duty

Report 2025

Dwyriw Community Council

Dwyriw Community Council covers a small rural community that has responsibility for a burial ground in Llanllugan and two small play areas in Adfa. The Council currently has 486 electors on the electoral register and had a precept in 2024/25 of £6,100.

As part of its duty over the past three years, the Council has left the grass at the burial ground to grow longer during May with the contractor not making the first cut until June. The aim of this is to increase the number of pollinators and improve soil health and is an initiative promoted by the charity Plantlife through its 'No Mow May' campaign. Monitored by Cllr Adcock

The council has also left the edges of the ball play area in Adfa to grow until the end of June, allowing the wildflowers and grasses to flourish. This initiative is also promoted by Plantlife's Let it bloom in June campaign. Monitored by Cllr Owen. A new mowing regime continues at Llanwyddelan Churchyard and bird and bat boxes have been installed. Monitored by Cllr Gethin

Some members of the local community have been working with the Game and Wildlife Conservation Trust to help protect curlew nests and slow the decline of the curlew population in Wales.

Review of S6 duty actions for 2023-2025

Positive changes have been made to the grass cutting arrangements in Dwyriw. It is acknowledged that more can be done by the council to increase and protect biodiversity within its area. It can also do more to encourage other members of the community in order to help it achieve its goals.

The S6 Duty will be monitored at the Annual Meeting in May each year and the plan reviewed.