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## **Biodiversity and Environment Development Action Plan**

The Environment (Wales) Act 2016 (Part 1) Section 6 Biodiversity and Resilience of Ecosystems Duty which requires that:

'A public authority must seek to maintain and enhance biodiversity in the exercise of functions in relation to Wales, and in so doing promote the resilience of ecosystems, so far as consistent with the proper exercise of those functions'

- 1. In complying with the Section 6 Biodiversity Duty, the Council was required to prepare and submit to Welsh Government by the end of 2019 (and then every three years after this date) a report (Section 6 monitoring Report) outlining what it has done to comply with the Biodiversity Duty.
- 2. The report was Llanrhidian Higher Community Council's first Section 6 Biodiversity Duty monitoring Report to Welsh Government. It provided an overview of the key Biodiversity Duty actions and initiatives that the Council had undertaken showing how this work had contributed to the six objectives of the Nature Recovery Action Plan for Wales which are:

Objective 1:	Engage and support participation and understanding to embed biodiversity throughout decision making at all levels.
Objective 2:	Safeguard species and habitats of principal importance and improve their management.
Objective 3:	Increase the resilience of our natural environment by restoring degraded habitats and habitat creation.
Objective 4: Objective 5: Objective 6:	Tackle key pressures on species and habitats. Improve our evidence, understanding and monitoring. Put in place a framework of governance and support for delivery.

3. The updated Community Council Action Plan is attached at Appendix A.

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Appendix A

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Parc Hendy Cemetery	Create Natural Habitat with the arisings instead of chippings when trees are felled / trimmed.	Undertaken by Ground Maintenance Contractor
	Grass cutting – grass is left to decompose following cutting.	Undertaken by Ground Maintenance Contractor
	Removal of weeds, planting of hedgerow and wildflowers to the right of entrance / bordering neighbouring property.	Undertaken by Ground Maintenance Contractor
	Seeding of wildflowers adjacent to the bottom entrance to the Cemetery.	Seeding completed by Ground Maintenance Contractor
Mount Hermon Cemetery	Use of hedges for pollinators. Consider adopting environmentally friendly burial options.	Undertaken by Ground Maintenance Contractor
	Create Natural Habitat with the arisings instead of chippings when trees are felled / trimmed.	Undertaken by Ground Maintenance Contractor
	Grass cutting – grass is left to decompose following cutting.	Undertaken by Ground Maintenance Contractor
	Lower area is left uncut at the bottom of the cemetery to assist owls to hunt.	Undertaken by Ground Maintenance Contractor
Recreation Ground, Penclawdd	Use of wooded area behind Rugby Pavilion for pollinators.	Monitored by Ground Maintenance Contractor
	Create Natural Habitat with the arisings instead of	Undertaken by Ground Maintenance Contractor

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	chippings when trees are felled / trimmed.		
	Grass cutting – grass is left to decompose following cutting.	Undertaken by Ground Maintenance Contractor	
	Wildflowers planted in area behind Bowls Pavilion / Tennis Courts for pollinators.	Undertaken by Ground Maintenance Contractor	
	Leave areas containing wild orchids uncut and look to advertise them.	To be undertaken by the Ground Maintenance Contractor	
Foreshore Car Park	Planting of natural Gower plants between the sea walls.	Previously financed by Councillor Andrew Williams, quotation being considered by Council for the Community Council to manage going forward	
	Grass cutting – grass is left to decompose following cutting.	Undertaken by Ground Maintenance Contractor	
	Signage for Gower plants	Installed by External Contractor	
	Information boards describing the Gower plants installed	Installation completed by Ground Maintenance Contractor	
Memorial Gardens	Use of flower beds for pollinators.	Undertaken by Ground Maintenance Contractor	
	Create Natural Habitat with the arisings instead of chippings when trees are felled / trimmed.	Undertaken by Ground Maintenance Contractor	
	Grass cutting – grass is left to decompose following cutting.	Undertaken by Ground Maintenance Contractor	
Graig Y Coed Playing Fields	Grass cutting – grass is left to decompose following cutting.	Undertaken by Ground Maintenance Contractor	

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	Create Natural Habitat with the arisings instead of	Undertaken by Ground Maintenance Contractor
	chippings when trees are felled / trimmed.	
Graig Y Coed Woodland Project	Lease of land obtained, planting trees and pollinators. Creation of woodland project.	Feasibility study is underway prior to any further applications being submitted.
	Create Natural Habitat with the arisings instead of chippings when trees are felled / trimmed.	To be considered as part of the project
	Wood piles to be created to encourage beetles etc.	To be considered as part of the project
Crofty Playground	Grass cutting – grass is left to decompose following cutting.	Undertaken by Ground Maintenance Contractor
Recreation Ground, Llanmorlais	Use of area running adjacent to Trem Y Mor for pollinators.	Undertaken by Ground Maintenance Contractor
	Grass cutting – grass is left to decompose following cutting.	Undertaken by Ground Maintenance Contractor
	Create Natural Habitat with the arisings instead of chippings when trees are felled / trimmed.	Undertaken by Ground Maintenance Contractor
Parc Dan Y Graig	Grass cutting – grass is left to decompose following cutting.	Undertaken by Ground Maintenance Contractor
	Leave areas containing wild orchids on bank adjacent to roadside, uncut and look to advertise them.	To be undertaken by Ground Maintenance Contractor
Roundabout at Llanmorlais	Grass cutting – grass is left to decompose following cutting.	Undertaken by Ground Maintenance Contractor