

Community & Town Councils

Biodiversity Action Plan 2026-27

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

Name of Community & Town Council:	Bryncrug Community Council
Council type (Group 1, 2 or 3 for NRAP Objectives):	Group 1
Introduction and Context	
Bryncrug Community Council provide a range of services to its local community which have an impact on biodiversity. These include - Responsibility for a number of green spaces including the playground, playing field, Dolgoch Falls, Community Garden and footpaths. - Organising planters and floral displays in the playing field and around the village. We promote sustainability and biodiversity by pursuing sustainability goals and sustainable practices whenever possible. We serve approximately 622 residents. The precept for 2026/27 is £13,350.	

NRAP Objective	Biodiversity objectives	Action planned	Time scale	Monitored by:
1	-embed biodiversity into decision making & procurement	- Reflected the commitment to biodiversity and natural areas by expressing the desire to join the Dyfi Biosphere and committing to playing an active role within the organisation. - Taking into account biodiversity considerations when reviewing planning applications and other associated matters, i.e. footpath diversion orders and neighbourhood services matters.		

		Ensuring that our contractors are fully aware of the duty to promote biodiversity and protect wildlife from interference. No work to be carried out during the nesting season.		
	-raise awareness of biodiversity & its importance	- Where possible encourage the public to consider the biodiversity of the natural surroundings. - When possible take part in events and seminars to learn more about biodiversity and how to improve it and contribute to public information schemes and advertising. - Posting details of the actions we have taken to help biodiversity in the Brynchrug Community Council area on our website.		
4	-tackle negative factors: for e.g. reduce pollution, use nature based solutions, address invasive species	- Whenever possible, ensuring office supplies such as paper and cleaning products are sustainably sourced (e.g. locally and/or made from recycled material). - Reduce the use of pesticides to only where necessary such as to control invasive non—native species such as Japanese Knotweed and report infestations.		
6	-support capacity and/or other organisations	- Work with Keep Wales Tidy and Dyfi Biosphere to improve the playground, Community Garden and footpath areas and with the National Park to improve Dolgoch Falls. - Continuously look for opportunities to take part in projects that will give more knowledge of how to improve the biodiversity in our community.		

Annual review of the Biodiversity Action Plan		Date reviewed:	28 th July 2025
What has worked well?	Cut and collect changes preventing disturbance of wildlife habitats. The placing of bird boxes and bug hotels in the community. These will be reviewed in the Spring. Adopting a process of giving local contractors work reducing the carbon footprint. The planters and raised beds have grown well and increased the number of native plants for wildlife.		
What have the barriers been?	Gwynedd County Council continue to spray areas within the Community. Lack of communication also means that we are not sure the spraying will take place. Lack of expertise to identify changes needed or best practice. Considerable damage to the Falls following Storm Darragh which affected habitats and wildlife.		
What will you change?	Aim to work more closely with the National Park, Gwynedd Council, Dyfi Biosphere and other local experts. Replanting of trees at Dolgoch Falls. Undertaking further training in biodiversity.		

Next review due:	September 2027
Approved by Council on:	21 st September 2026

