

ENVIRONMENTAL AND BIODIVERSITY POLICY

CYNGOR CYMUNED PENTIR



This statement applies to all land, property and activities within the control of Cyngor Cymuned Pentir (the Council).

In compliance with the Environment (Wales) Act 2016, public authorities are required to seek to maintain and enhance biodiversity in the exercise of their functions.

The Council's Plan and Policy

1. Commit to protecting and enhancing the environment and to reducing the environmental impact that may result from their activities.
2. To manage its operations in an environmentally sustainable manner.
3. To reduce waste production to what is practicable and to re-use or recycle where appropriate.
4. Reduce paper waste, by emailing copies instead of printing them. Print double-sided documents when a paper copy is required.
5. To reduce and where possible avoid pollution.
6. To be efficient and environmentally responsible by managing water and energy use.
7. Carry out a regular site visit to identify and verify waste savings, such as the cemetery tap leaking water.
8. To ask the Council's contractors for an environmental policy as a qualification when considering contractual work.
9. To raise the awareness of Council members and contractors of environmental impacts arising from activities and performance and to promote the good practice of individuals.
10. Reduce the use of plastic.
11. Use local materials and labour to reduce the environmental impact of travel.
12. Replace any fallen and felled tree with a new tree.
13. Plant a variety of flowers that attract pollinators in certain places.
14. Consider biodiversity when discussing planning and funding applications.
15. Create wildlife areas in special places.
16. Support and raise community awareness to volunteer for green space and biodiversity maintenance.
17. Collaborate with organizations e.g. Natural Resources Wales to ensure that action is taken in cases such as flooding, river pollution and fly-tipping.
18. Only use pesticides except where there is a real need for control, such as invasive species such as Japanese Knotweed.