



Aberystwyth Town Council
Wellbeing Plan
2024-25

Byw'n dda yn Aberystwyth



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National Context

The Wellbeing of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 is about improving the social, economic, environmental and cultural wellbeing of Wales both now and in the future.

To make sure that all public bodies are working towards the same vision, the Act puts in place seven wellbeing goals:

1. A prosperous Wales
2. A resilient Wales
3. A healthier Wales
4. A more equal Wales
5. A Wales of cohesive communities
6. A Wales of vibrant culture and thriving Welsh language
7. A globally responsive Wales

And encourages five ways of working in order to achieve these goals:

- **Long-term:** *balancing short term and long-term needs by thinking ahead beyond at least a decade.*

Whilst in receipt of an annual precept, the Council is very aware of balancing short and long-term goals in its budgeting and planning. It provides annual funding for community groups and routine maintenance of parks and playgrounds etc in order to meet immediate need, but also has long term objectives such as green space improvements, tree planting and developing Neuadd Gwenfrewi into a community and civic building for Aberystwyth residents.

- **Prevention:** *prevent problems by looking at the root cause.*

The Council provides green spaces and playgrounds to support current and future wellbeing. All projects developed, and supported, by the Council consider the wellbeing of residents and the prevention agenda. Scrutiny of partner developments and planning applications in the context of community wellbeing also provides an opportunity to influence the prevention agenda.

- **Integration:** *consider the impact of the well-being goals on the objectives of other partners*

The Town Council works in partnership with, and is represented on, approximately 30 groups and organisations as well as supporting many others through its community grant scheme. It works closely with Ceredigion County Council, the main deliverer of services, on various projects (all green spaces managed by the Town Council are leased from Ceredigion County Council) and County Councillors provide regular reports. The Town Council reports to the Ceredigion Public Service Board on its Wellbeing Plan.

- **Collaboration:** *work with partners to achieve the well-being objectives.*

Partnership working is integral to the Council's work and the Council works closely with organisations such as Menter Aberystwyth and Aberystwyth Business Club on the economic

regeneration of the town centre and with groups such as Greener Aberystwyth, Parc Natur Penglais and Aber Food Surplus to achieve environmental enhancements.

- **Involvement:** *involve people with an interest in achieving the well-being goals, and ensure that those people reflect the diversity of the area which the body serves.*

The Council has engaged, and is engaging, with the community to ensure projects such as Parc Kronberg, Maes Gwenfrewi (formerly North Road Park) and Neuadd Gwenfrewi are fit for purpose. The Council is the key enabler of developing the Place Plan for Aberystwyth which involves developing an engagement programme. The Council also engages regularly with organisations and partners through the various official partnerships, the website and social media and councillor ward surgeries.

Local context

Aberystwyth town has a diverse population of around 14,640 with an increase in the population of approximately 8000 students during term time.

Aberystwyth Town Council consists of 19 elected councillors representing Bronglais, North, Central, Rheidol and Penparcau wards. The Mayor is the civic head and representative of the Council and chairs the monthly full council meeting. The Mayor for 2023-4-23 was Cllr Kerry Ferguson and the Mayor for 2024-25 Cllr Maldwyn Pryse. The official committees of the Council are Planning, General Management, Finance and Establishments, Standing Orders & Policy and Staffing, but all business is ratified by Full Council.

The past year has seen an increase in Town Council staff capacity. The Town Council employs a full time Principal Officer (Clerk) who is also the Responsible Financial Officer (RFO). These two positions are a legal requirement. There was a change of Clerk in March 2024, with the previous Clerk retiring and a new being appointed. The Council also employs a full time Assets & Facilities Manager, a part time Events & Partnerships Officer and in April 2024 employed a full time Environmental Assistant, who was previously employed by the Council through an employment agency. Thanks to Shared Prosperity Fund grant funding additional staff were employed during the 2024-25 year; a part time Town Partnership Administrator (January to July 2024), a part time Town Revitalisation Officer (January to December 2024) and part time Market and Event Co-ordinator, who was employed permanently from January 2025.

The Town Council raises an annual precept (£635,275 in 2024-25) which it uses to deliver projects and services (please see Appendix 1: Budget and Appendix 2: Annual Accounts). Town Council spending is governed by law and the accounts are audited by Audit Wales on an annual basis as well as being inspected by an independent internal auditor.

Although it does not provide services to the same extent as the County Council (which is responsible for statutory services such as education, social services, highways, environmental health and housing), as the largest Town and Community council in Ceredigion Aberystwyth has a duty to report what it is doing to meet the above goals.

Aberystwyth Town Council is therefore delighted to present to you its Wellbeing Plan for 2024-25: *Byw'n dda yn Aberystwyth.*

GOAL1: A prosperous Wales

An innovative productive and low carbon society which recognises the limits of the global environment and therefore uses resources efficiently and proportionately (including acting on climate change): and which develops a skilled and well-educated population in an economy which generates wealth and provides employment opportunities, allowing people to take advantage of the wealth generated through securing decent work.

In a nutshell: this goal aims to bring an end to poverty with decent education, training and jobs for everyone in an economy that does not rely on using natural resources faster than the earth can replenish them.



A prosperous Aberystwyth

The Town Council aims to support the local economy to the best of its abilities and powers and is proud to have achieved the following:

- **Events:** The Town Council employs an Events and Partnerships Officer and a Market and Events Co-ordinator, who support the organisation of a full annual programme of cultural and civic events for the town as well as supporting the Council's various partnerships. A successful Santes Dwynwen Parade and Twmpath was held in January 2024 and again in 2025; for 2024 this was supported through Shared Prosperity Fund grant funding, which allowed expansion of the parade with additional puppets & performers, but also the additional provision of free evening entertainment featuring national star Gruffydd Wyn. The success of the 2024 event saw the growth of the event into the community led Gwyl Cariad Aber – Aberystwyth's first festival of love, held between Santes Dwynwen Day (25 January) to St Valentine's Day (14 February). This arts festival was piloted by the community group responsible in January 2025, with funding and organisational support from the Town Council This grant funding also allowed the first pilot Gwyl y Castell, the Town Council's largest event yet. A free community focussed Welsh music festival, held at Aberystwyth Castle in September 2024. With national headline bands such as Bwncath, Mellt and Band Pres Llaeggub, the event saw around 500 attendees and was an provided excellent entertainment value for the local community. The Town Council also offers annual

grants to community groups, initiatives, and events. The Aberystwyth Old Town Market, launched in May 2023, has gone from strength to strength, becoming a popular monthly craft market attractive to locals and visitors alike; traders return for a stall on the market month after month, reporting successful trade each time. Other annual events that are supported financially include the St David's Day Parade, which is seen as attracting people to the town whilst at the same time strengthening Aberystwyth's identity and sense of place.

- **Christmas lights:** The Town Council has provided Christmas lights for many years (see image above) and sees Christmas not only as an opportunity to provide pleasure for the people of Aberystwyth and visitors, but also as a way of boosting the local winter economy. For Christmas 2024 the Town Council provided the usual town centre lights, the large town centre tree as well as large Christmas trees and lights for Penparcau and Trefechan. In addition, Shared Prosperity Grant funding was used to purchase four large metal Christmas trees that were located outside the train station, in front of the town library, on King's Square and on the small green at the junction of Great Darkgate and Pier Street. 2024 also saw additional lights along Eastgate, Pier Street and New Street. The Town Council funds Menter Aberystwyth to organise the Switch On event, parade and market which attracts a large crowd every year.
- **Bandstand summer programme:** Summer visitor numbers remained high in 2024 and the Town Council's usual entertainment programme by local artists in the Bandstand for July and August was a great success. The Shared Prosperity Grant Funding also extended to this programme, allowing a greater number and variety of acts, with new performers, such as Meibion y Mynydd, drawing large crowds and offering a greater variety of entertainment.
- **Civic pride:** Sale of gull proof bags through the scheme initiated in August 2022, whereby the Town Council sell gull proof bags to residents at cost price (£4) to minimise the litter scattered by seagulls, has gradually increased resulting in a visibly positive impact on waste collections. Councillors also encourage civic pride by organising community litter picks within their wards. A wider campaign has been considered to increase civic pride among locals, to be implemented in 2025-26.
- **Street cleaning:** From April 2024, the Council decided to employ its Environmental Assistant, who was employed through an employment agency, permanently and full time. An additional, seasonal assistant was employed during the summer of 2024, to increase capacity. These staff undertake litter picking, weeding using hand tools and empty litter bins, all of benefit to the general street scene and thus the visitor economy.
- **Gardens & flowers:** In 2022, the Town Council adopted most town centre borders and green spaces from the County Council as well as deciding on a policy of planting perennial bee friendly plants instead of summer annual displays. Larger borders include the beds outside Plascrug Avenue gates, Thespian Street, Mill Street, Skinner Street, the bottom of Penglais Hill and next to the Fire Station in Trefechan. Between Maes Gwenfrewi and the town beds over 50 trees were planted in the town during 2022-23. Careful management of the adopted areas has resulted in steady plant growth improving both biodiversity for wildlife and the look of the town. In 2024, a number of larger gardens were adopted by lease from Ceredigion County Council, including the Castle grounds, Plascrug Avenue and the greens in Queen's Square. These areas have had extensive improvement work undertaken, with landscaping of the castle to improve safety and access, as well as the transformation of the Queen's Square greens into formal gardens.
- **Street Furniture:** Quality street furniture is also provided by the Town Council and a comprehensive maintenance programme ensures that all furniture is both safe and attractive (see image above). The Town Council passed a pro bench policy to ensure that benches are supplied where they are needed. The most recent has been a bench placed along Great Darkgate St. in support of those who find the gradient too steep to walk without a rest, and four

placed in Park Avenue for similar reasons. The Council is also responsible for fingerpost signs and noticeboards across Aberystwyth.

- **Partnerships:** The Council sits on various partnerships whose aim is to enhance Aberystwyth's prosperity. These include Menter Aberystwyth who is funded to organise the Christmas lights event and the Aber First Business Awards. The Town Council has also worked closely with Aber Food Surplus and has provided funding for them to be able to rent town centre business premises as well as funding the purchase of a digester and special compound at the allotments to process food waste. A partnership of environmental groups use raised beds in Maes Gwenfrewi to grow fruit, vegetables and herbs and held a well-attended harvest festival event there in 2024. Groups like Greener Aberystwyth regularly work with the Council on its tree planting programme and the Town Council actively supports partner organisations by providing a meeting room facility and resources. In 2023 *Prosiect Aber*, a partnership between the Town Council, Menter Aberystwyth and the Business club, was established to draw down Shared Prosperity Funding to make town improvements.
- **Procurement:** The Town Council prefers to source goods and services from local businesses whenever possible eg the Council's civic regalia is now made by a local craftswoman.
- **Community growing:** The Town Council manages two allotment sites in Penparcau, with a total of 48 plots. Thanks to Local Places for Nature grant funding, in 2024 we opened a new community growing site in Plascrug Avenue; the Plascrug Growing Space. Unsuitable for allotment plots, due to being a former railway coal dump, grant funding enabled the provision of 100 raised growing beds, along with a communal polytunnel, which have all been let to local residents and community groups. With beds given to groups such as Gorwelion Mental Health unit, Aber Food Surplus, Cylch Meithrin and local schools, this site is an excellent addition to the community, and an innovative use of otherwise unused land.

Plans going forward:

	Aim	Projects 2024-25	2025-26
1.1	Continue to support initiatives that boost Aberystwyth's local businesses and economy and continue to support and explore improvements and innovation.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Christmas lights and Switch On 2024 • Old Town Market (local producers) established and held monthly (additional Christmas markets in December) • Town Partnership 'Prosiect Aber' funding application successful. • Town cleaning programme implemented and expanded with additional seasonal staff. • Funded monthly business networking events 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Christmas lights and Switch On 2024 • Monthly (and additional) 'Old Town' Markets (local produce) • Monitor & expand Town Wifi & footfall data collection • Deliver Town cleaning programme • Deliver green space improvements
1.2	Continue to support key local events but also support	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ras yr Iaith • Musicfest 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide both funding and in kind support for key events

	national/international events when held in the town.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Opening Doors Festival • Aberystwyth Comedy Festival 	
1.3	Continue to work with partners to enhance Aberystwyth's sense of place through cultural events.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • St David's Day parade 2024 • Community grants 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • St David's Day parade (March 2025) • Community grants
1.4	Organise annual programme of cultural events.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Santes Dwynwen – January 2025 – developed by the community into Gwyl Cariad Aber • Gwyl y Castell – Welsh language music festival in September • Summer entertainment programme July and August 2024 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Santes Dwynwen – January 2026 • Gwyl y Castell/Owain Glyndŵr – 14 September 2024 • Summer entertainment programme July and August 2024
1.5	Continue to explore ways of encouraging civic pride and solving problems such as dog fouling, sea gulls and littering.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gull proof bags – for sale • Town cleaning – Environmental Assistant employed permanently. • Seasonal Environmental Assistant employed during the summer • Fixed term Shared Prosperity funded Town Rejuvenation Officer employed. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gull proof bags – for sale • Civic pride campaign • Town cleaning – Environmental Assistant to litter pick and clean pavements. • Employ additional environmental assistant. •
1.6	Continue to implement a robust maintenance programme for all street furniture.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pro bench policy • Finger posts restored • Additional planters & public realm improvements 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pro bench policy • Memorial bench provision • Pedestrian signage maintained.
1.7	Continue to work with partners to enhance and safeguard the environment.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aberystwyth Place Plan • Biodiversity Plan • Transforming Towns green spaces improvements. • Community grants – Parc Natur Penglais etc. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aberystwyth Place Plan • Biodiversity Plan • Further urban green spaces improvements • Community grants – Parc Natur Penglais etc.

1.8	Local procurement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Various local businesses and contractors 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Various local businesses and contractors
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GOAL 2: A resilient Wales

A nation which maintains and enhances a biodiverse natural environment with healthy functioning ecosystems that support social, economic and ecological resilience and the capacity to adapt to change (for example climate change)

In a nutshell: this goal aims to limit the demands that we place on the natural environment, and repair damage to habitats and species, so that it can adapt to change (like climate change) and still provide future generations with clean air, water, food and resources.



A resilient Aberystwyth

The Town Council aims to support and protect the local environment to the best of its abilities and powers, through the following projects:

- **Parks:** The Town Council has taken on several areas of land from Ceredigion County Council and in the past few years has made substantial improvements.

Parc Kronberg: (see image above) built, with Big Lottery support, this community park and skatepark in Boulevard St Briec was opened in December 2017. Once a wasteland, it has been developed as an exemplar community park and skatepark, with a wildlife area incorporated as a key part of the plan. A large number of trees have been planted and encouraging natural plants

and flowers to flourish across large areas of the park as part of the maintenance plan has created a visually stunning wildlife haven. In 2020, the park won the One Voice Wales National Award for best environmental project. The park has been introduced to local schools as a venue for outdoor activities and nature lessons, as well as to older people as a place to relax and enjoy nature. It has proved very popular with young people and has become an after-school meeting place for parents and young people of all ages. It has been used for bike displays and by local athletic groups for training purposes.

Maes Gwenfrewi: (see image above) Following a complete transformation, thanks to a Welsh Government Local Places for Nature grant, which included infrastructure and access improvements, tree and shrub planting as well as the creation of raised beds for community food growing and the creation of the ecological diversity needed to sustain wildlife, the park has been enjoyed by all ages. The park is locked at dusk to deter anti-social behaviour and vandalism.

Plascrug Avenue: In 2024, the Council took responsibility for the maintenance of Plascrug Avenue, one of the most biodiverse and longest nature corridor in Aberystwyth. Work this year included general maintenance, but also provision of new and additional benches and litter bins, as well as tree planting.

Castle Grounds: This year, we also took responsibility for the Castle Grounds, and undertook significant landscaping and planting thanks to a Welsh Government Transforming Town Grant.

Playgrounds: The Town Council manages the three playgrounds in Aberystwyth (Castle, Plascrug and Penparcau) and is always looking to develop them in a way which enhances and protects the environment.

Queen's Square: A beautiful new addition to the town, two greens on Queen's Square have been professionally landscaped into formal gardens this year, thanks to Welsh Government Transforming Towns funding. The gardens have been planted with a variety of perennial plants and wildflowers and are included in the annual planting scheme of daffodils. They have also seen some additional trees planted.

The Council also manages the **Adizone and MUGA** in Penparcau both of which provide valuable outdoor exercise spaces.

- **Tree planting:** The Town Council has a tree planting policy and an ambitious annual programme of tree planting. 2022 saw over 30 trees planted in Maes Gwenfrewi and 20 more planted in the small green spaces and raised beds across town. Replacement trees were also planted in Parc Kronberg. A further 10 trees have been planter in Plascrug Avenue in 2024.
- **Allotments:** (see image above) The Town Council manages 48 allotments in Fifth Avenue, Penparcau which received grant funding to make improvements both in 2021 and 2022. Ongoing maintenance ensures effective management. Each year the allotments are opened to the public as part of the National Garden Scheme. The Town Council has worked with the University to develop growing spaces on the old bowling green in Plascrug Avenue. Challenge for Nature grant funding has enabled the creation of 100 raised beds and communal facilities.
- **Bee Friendly Aberystwyth:** The Town Council has taken over responsibility for many of the town centre flower borders from the County Council. The Town Council supports the planting of bee friendly flowers and is looking at ways of providing as many pollinator plants as possible.

Council has also planted native daffodil bulbs at various locations within the town as well as sourcing bee friendly plants for borders in the town and in our parks.

- **Plastic Free Coastline:** The Town Council ensures that regular refuse collection is part of the maintenance plan for all parks in order to reduce wind-blown plastic. The ongoing sale of gull proof bags from the Town Council office also contributes to reducing the spread of litter and a filter has been fitted in the office to eliminate the need for bottled water. Aberystwyth was the first town council in Wales to support the plastic free initiative and Aberystwyth became the first town in Wales to achieve Plastic Free status.
- **The built environment:** Through detailed scrutiny of planning applications by the Town Council's Planning Committee, councillors aim to preserve the historical heritage of Aberystwyth as well as its environment. It lobbies Ceredigion County Council regarding safeguarding green spaces, gardens, and trees.
- **Sea front cleaning:** The Council's Environmental Assistant regularly litter picks and cleans the town's beaches as part of his route.
- **Community Litter picks:** Town councillors organise community litter picks and support those organised by other partners.

Plans going forward:

	Aims	Projects 2024-25	2025-26
2.1	Continue to safeguard Aberystwyth's built and natural environment and to support conservation initiatives.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Place Plan • Planning process 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Place Plan • Planning process
2.2	Continue to provide green leisure spaces.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maes Gwenfrewi – maintenance and continued improvements. Additional seating and security measures installed • Parc Kronberg – pro biodiversity maintenance • Pocket green spaces and borders throughout town adopted from Ceredigion Council and planted with pollinator plants and trees. • Commencement of the Town Council's responsibility over additional parks and gardens, including the Castle Grounds, Plascrug Avenue and Queen's Square 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maes Gwenfrewi - maintenance and continued improvements. • Parc Kronberg – pro biodiversity maintenance • Adopted pocket green spaces and borders – maintenance and improvement. • Continued maintenance and development of newly adopted parks & gardens
2.3	Continue to provide allotments and growing spaces.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Total of 48 allotments – plot division policy created additional plots 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allotments – further plot division if opportunities arise

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Development of Plascrug Growing Space, with 100 raised growing beds all allocated for community growing. • Expansion of Plascrug Growing Space with addition of outdoor classroom/shelter, wildlife pond and fruit trees/bushes. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Investigate expansion of Fifth Avenue allotment site • Continued maintenance and development of Plascrug Growing Space. Use of outdoor classroom to hold community growing events.
2.4	Continue to work with and support environmental groups and partners to identify local actions to combat the climate emergency.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community growing groups allocated beds at Plascrug Growing Space • Relevant groups supported to hold events at Plascrug Growing Space • Harvest Festival held in Maes Gwenfrewi • Community grant support to local environmental groups – Parc Natur Penglais, Greener Aberystwyth, Eco Hub etc 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support groups to hold events across the Town Council's sites, including Plascrug Growing Space, Maes Gwenfrewi & the Castle Grounds. • Support local environmental groups via community grants
2.5	continue to plant as many native trees and bee friendly flowers as possible.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ongoing maintenance of planted trees in town green spaces • Additional wildflower planting in newly adopted green spaces. • 10 Trees planted in Plascrug Avenue 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue to look for opportunities to plant trees and pollinators.

GOAL 3: A healthier Wales

A society in which people's physical and mental wellbeing is maximised and in which choices and behaviours that benefit future health are understood.

In a nutshell: this goal aims for people in Wales to enjoy better health for longer, linked to more public awareness about how to avoid illness and more people choosing healthier lifestyles.



A healthier Aberystwyth

The Town Council aims to play a part in encouraging the health of the residents of Aberystwyth:

- **Parks:** The Town Council sees its green spaces and activity parks as important components in supporting the health of people and the environment. Maes Gwenfrewi is a park for all ages with its improved access. Its design provides opportunities for therapeutic relaxation as well as play and raised beds provide opportunities for community growing and educational activities, with obvious health benefits both in terms of being outdoors and influencing healthy eating.
- **Parc Kronberg:** Completed in December 2017 with funding support from the Big Lottery, it provides a centrally located community park, for play and relaxation, and for the whole of Aberystwyth and beyond (see image above). The skatepark component of the park supports the development of skills which are appreciated by an audience of all ages. Use of the park has been promoted to a range of groups and local schools and it has become a popular destination for young people and families. It is also used by walkers as a pleasant green alternative to the shared tarmac path and cycleway which runs alongside the extremely busy road. There have been no reports of anti-social behaviour to date due to the considered and high visibility elements of the design.
- **Playgrounds:** The Town Council maintains three playgrounds to ensure that children are provided with play opportunities to maintain emotional and physical health in a social context. The parks are regularly reviewed to inform improvement works. Playground equipment is inspected regularly and supported by a quick response maintenance and repair programme. Grant funding is sourced where possible, eg a part grant funded accessible roundabout was installed in Plas Crug, as well as funding utilised from the Town Council's own capital programme budget. Significant improvement to the inclusivity of our playgrounds was undertaken in 2024, including the installation of wheelchair accessible roundabouts, sensory play panels and inclusive swing seats. .

- **Adizone and MUGA:** The Town Council ensures that people of all ages are provided with opportunities for physical activity and socialisation. The Adizone and MUGA are popular and well used.
- **Allotments:** due to a policy of dividing plots as they become available, 48 plots are currently provided in Fifth Avenue, Penparcau (see image above). Various improvements have been made over the past few years both to the car park and neighbouring green spaces. The orchard green space area continues to be managed well, and the green at the entrance to the allotments features thriving fruit trees. The wooden fence erected around the car park continues to deter vandalism and dog fouling. The Aber Food Surplus' digester is located within a compound in the corner of the car park and was funded by the Town Council.

Development of Plascrug Growing Space has enable us to significantly increase the community growing offering in the area, with 100 raised bed let to the community for growing.

- **Trees:** The Town Council has a tree planting policy and an annual planting programme – over 50 trees were planted in parks and pocket green spaces during 2022-23. The focus of 2023-24 was on ensuring that the young trees thrived and were protected. 2024-25 has seen continued maintenance and the addition of 10 trees in Plascrug Avenue.
- **Neuadd Gwenfrewi:** The Town Council bought a disused church in 2021 and spent most of 2022 focusing on public engagement, project management, surveys and planning. Work on restoration of the Presbytery as new offices for the Town Council commenced in December 2023 and completed in 2024, with the Presbytery becoming the Town Council's new home in October. With multiple meeting rooms, there is space available and used by community groups.

Plans going forward:

	Aims	Projects 2024-25	2025-26
3.1	Continue to safeguard Aberystwyth's built and natural environment and to support partner initiatives.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Planning application process • Place Plan • Neuadd Gwenfrewi being developed to provide civic and community facilities whilst also preventing inappropriate development. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Planning application process • Place Plan • Progress development of Neuadd Gwenfrewi as a cultural and community centre by securing grant funding.
3.2	Continue to provide, manage and improve playgrounds, sports grounds, and green leisure spaces, to encourage physical activity and mental wellbeing.	<p>Projects maintained and improved for public benefit include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 playgrounds (Penparcau, Plascrug and Castle) • MUGA and Adizone • Parc Kronberg • Maes Gwenfrewi • Castle Grounds • Plascrug Avenue • Queen's Square • Mill Street garden 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue to maintain and improve playgrounds, sports facilities and parks for public benefit.
3.3	Continue to provide allotments and growing spaces and	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Total of 48 allotments – plot division policy 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 48 allotments – further plot division if opportunities arise. • Investigate expansion of site

	expand provision wherever possible.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • skip provided for tidy up and clearance. • Development of Plascrug Growing Space. • Maes Gwenfrewi communal growing spaces utilised, and community event supported. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maintain and further develop Plascrug Growing Space. • Support use of allotments and Plascrug Growing Space for community growing events & workshops.
3.4	Continue to fund and organise the planting of trees.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ongoing care and management of the 50 trees planted in Maes Gwenfrewi and within the town and existing trees. • Planting of 10 additional trees in Plascrug Avenue. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify tree planting opportunities. • Tree pruning and care plan
3.5	Neuadd Gwenfrewi	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Restoration of the Presbytery to provide offices for the Town Council. • Work on preparing grant applications commenced. • Extensive community consultation on proposals held. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Secure grant funding for the restoration of the former church.

GOAL 4: A more equal Wales

A society that enables people to fulfil their potential no matter what their background or circumstances (including their socio-economic background and circumstances).

In a nutshell: an end to discrimination and equal chances for everyone



A more equal Aberystwyth

The Town Council celebrates the diverse population of Aberystwyth:

- **Equality statement:** during the Brexit referendum, the Town Council published the following statement to confirm that everyone is welcome in Aberystwyth.

Aberystwyth Town Council is committed to working with partners to ensure that the inhabitants of the town, and those visiting it, experience a community that is safe and welcoming. Aberystwyth celebrates diversity and there is no place here for racism, xenophobia, hate crimes or intolerance. The Town Council undertakes to make everyone feel a valued member of our cosmopolitan and vibrant community.

- **The Welsh language:** The Town Council has a bilingual policy, and all Full Council and most Committee meetings are fully bilingual as are all minutes, agendas, and correspondence (as appropriate). However, hybrid Microsoft Teams meetings have proved problematic in terms of the provision of simultaneous translation for those joining remotely. Councillors who need translation currently attend at the meeting venue. Bilingual signage provision is a Council Planning policy. Promoting Welsh culture and a sense of place is a key aim and achieved through support for partner events, through the Town Council's own programme of cultural events and through the summer entertainment programme.
- **Twinning:** Aberystwyth is twinned with Kronberg im Taunus (Germany), St Brieuc (Brittany, France), Arklow (Ireland), and Esquel (Patagonia, Argentina) and has a special friendship with Yosano (Japan). Parc Kronberg is a symbol of the twinning friendship as is the street name Boulevard St Brieuc. Annual funding is provided in support of twinning activities. The Town Council has taken over responsibility for the St Brieuc and Arklow Twinning and has taken a strategic approach to strengthen twinning links with all twin towns. Multiple twinning exchanges have taken place across 2024-25, including a notable visit by Aberystwyth Mayor to Yosano, Japan, the first time the Mayor has visited in several years.
- **Diverse cultures:** Town Council grants are issued in April each year and the total grant pot of £20,000 supports a wide range of activities by diverse groups. Also, the Town Council officially supports campaigns such as Black Lives Matter etc. Councillors have supported an Anti-Hate Crime group and during Covid a multi-lingual banner was commissioned to say thank you to NHS staff in all the languages represented in Aberystwyth (see image above). The Ukraine flag was also flown in Aberystwyth and Penparcau to show solidarity.
- **Refugees:** Aberystwyth has welcomed several refugee families from Syria and from Ukraine. The Town Council fully supports this initiative and sits on the Refugee Resettlement Group. Since moving into the Presbytery, a Ukrainian youth group has began using the space available at the Presbytery to hold regular youth club sessions.
- **Carers:** The Independent Remuneration Panel's recommendation to provide reimbursement of costs for carers to attend meetings has been adopted by the Town Council.

- **White poppies:** The Town Council supports the commemoration of civilian loss of life during times of war by placing a white wreath with the red poppy wreath on Remembrance Sunday. Wreaths are laid in Penparcau and Aberystwyth. The Royal British Legion is a key partner in organising the Remembrance Sunday event. The International Day of Peace is also celebrated annually with a specially commissioned peace flag flown from the Town Council's flagpole.

Plans going forward:

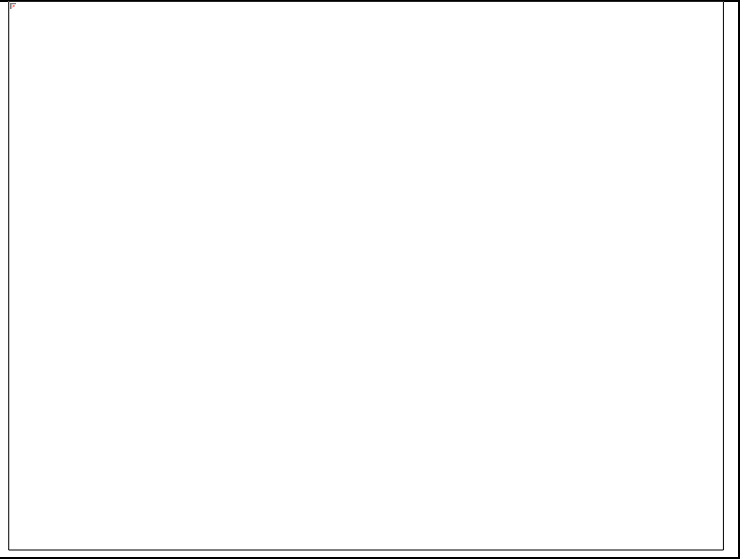
	Aims	Projects 2024-25	2025-2026
4.1	Continue to promote and safeguard equality and fight against discrimination by presenting positive messages.	Councillors participated in various events	Continue to support the equality agenda
4.2	Continue to support positive relationships with other countries through the twinning partnerships.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • St Brieuc and Arklow Twinning brought in house. • Kronberg Christmas market 2024 supported. • Grant funding provided to Yosano and Kronberg Twinning Partnerships. • Mayoral visit to Yosano October 2024 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increased activity with St Brieuc and Arklow. • Mayoral visit to Kronberg Christmas market 2025 • Grant funding provided to support Twinning activities.
4.3	Continue to celebrate Aberystwyth's diversity.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Website diversity statement • Council support to initiatives eg Black Lives 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Website diversity statement • Continued Council support to campaigns and events etc.

		Matter and Hate Free Aberystwyth	
4.4	Continue to safeguard and celebrate the Welsh language and culture.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Simultaneous translation provided for all Full Council meetings, and most Committee meetings. • All minutes and agendas and correspondence (as appropriate) bilingual with Welsh given priority. • Policy adopted to use Welsh place names in Welsh and English text • Programme of events planned to celebrate Welsh history and culture. Santes Dwynwen event held in January and St David's Day Parade supported in March. • Gwyl y Castell Welsh language music festival held in September 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue to provide Simultaneous translation at meetings. • All minutes and agendas and correspondence (as appropriate) bilingual with Welsh given priority. • Ongoing use of Welsh place names in Welsh and English text. • Implement programme of events to celebrate Welsh history and culture.

GOAL 5: A Wales of cohesive communities

Attractive, viable, safe and well-connected communities

In a nutshell: this goal aims for people to live happily together, and to feel that they have a stake in their community, in local areas that can provide access to decent housing, transport, public services, recreation and jobs.



Cohesive Aberystwyth

Aberystwyth is a small town made up of close-knit communities. The Town Council is passionate about celebrating the diversity of this vibrant University Town.

- **Communication:** councillor details are included on the Council's website, and they regularly engage with the electorate in their respective wards both individually and at social gatherings. A Town Council social media page is used to publicise events and councillors provide regular updates on their own social media pages. Some also provide newsletters for their wards to keep residents informed of developments and to provide useful contact details. Monthly meetings have been set up this year with a prominent local newspaper, the Cambrian News, to increase communication. The majority of calls to the office are for Ceredigion County Council so signposting is also a key element of the Council's work. The new Town Council website has been further developed and is close to completion.
- **Engagement:** The Council, in the past few years, has held various interactive public workshops with partners to explore ideas regarding summer flowers, town marketing, Maes Gwenfrewi improvements, refuse, and the Aberystwyth Place Plan. In 2022 engagement events were held in the street to assess the need for a community centre prior to work commencing on development of Neuadd Gwenfrewi. This face-to-face engagement was supported by an online consultation to ensure as broad a response as possible. A further, large scale, consultation was held throughout 2024. In February 2024 three successful junior Councils were held in the Council chamber.
- **Partnerships:** The Council works with various partners by providing financial support or by joint working. The Council works closely with partners to achieve good quality projects such as Christmas switch on celebrations with Menter Aberystwyth, environmental projects with a range of groups such as Aber Food Surplus, Greener Aberystwyth and Parc Natur Penglais, events with various partners including Ceredigion County Council. And of course, as mentioned previously, the Town Council provides daily signposting to Ceredigion County Council services. Prosiect Aber, set up to deliver town improvements funded by the Shared Prosperity Fund, is a partnership between the Town Council, Menter Aberystwyth and the Business Club. The fund has employed a Market and event Co-ordinator and a fixed-term Town Rejuvenation Officer.

The Town Council is officially represented on, and therefore actively supports, the following groups:

Shrewsbury to Aber Rail Users Liaison Committee, Arriva Railways, SARPA, , Kronberg Twinning, Yosano Friendship, Esquel Twinning (but is now fully responsible for St Brieuc and Arklow Twinning partnerships), One Voice Wales, Menter Aberystwyth, Aberystwyth University Court, Old College Project Board, Aberystwyth Silver Band, Refugee Resettlement Group, Constitution Hill Board of Trustees, Harbour Users Committee, Greener Aberystwyth Group, Ceredigion Traffic Management Committee, Dyfi Biosffer, Parc Natur Penglais, War Memorial Trust, Joseph and Jane Downie Bequest Trust, St Padarn’s School Governors, Llwyn yr Eos School Governors, Plascrug School Governors, Ysgol Gymraeg Governors.

- **Funding support:** The Town Council provides grants every April to a range of diverse community groups from sporting clubs to cultural societies. In 2024 community grants were given to a variety of groups including those involved in food growing such as Eco Hub Aber, events such as Musicfest and St David’s Day Parade, environmental groups such as Parc Natur Penglais, as well as social groups such as the Brownies and Scouts. The Council also shares information on funding sources with partners from time to time.
- **Diversity statement:** The Town Council has published the following statement to confirm that everyone is welcome in Aberystwyth.

Aberystwyth Town Council is committed to working with partners to ensure that the inhabitants of the town, and those visiting it, experience a community that is safe and welcoming. Aberystwyth celebrates diversity and there is no place here for racism, xenophobia, hate crimes or intolerance. The Town Council undertakes to make everyone feel a valued member of our cosmopolitan and vibrant community.

- **Parc Kronberg:** provides a centrally located community park for all ages and for the whole of Aberystwyth and further afield. It has also become an after-school meeting place for parents and young people from the two largest primary schools in Aberystwyth – Ysgol Gymraeg and Plascrug.
- **Older people:** The Council organises an annual, subsidised and well attended Christmas lunch for over 65s. The December 2024 lunch was a great success.
- **Community safety:** The Town Council continues to develop strategies to minimise anti-social behaviour eg locking the park gates in Maes Gwenfrewi and introducing new security type fencing for the playgrounds. CCTV has also been introduced at Maes Gwenfrewi and Plascrug playground. Dog signage was introduced on entry points to the beaches to deter dog access within the tourism season (April to September)

Plans going forward:

	Aims	Projects 2024-25	2025-26
5.1	Continue to promote the Town Council’s work through various communication channels.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Social media used for information provision. • Monthly meetings with the Cambrian News. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Social media used for information provision. • Continue to maintain and develop relationship with the local press.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Posters, flyers and paper table mats advertised and provided information on events such as Santes Dwynwen and initiatives such as gull proof bags. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Posters and flyers to advertise events and initiatives.
5.2	Improve the Council website and ensure accessibility.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New website completed and launched. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maintenance of new website
5.3	Continue to support community groups by providing grants.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grants provided in May 2024 included food growing, cultural, environmental and social groups. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community grants April 2025
5.4	Continue to encourage socialisation through play areas, parks and allotments as well as the annual Christmas lunch.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Projects maintained and improved for public benefit include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 3 playgrounds (Penparcau, Plascrug and Castle) ○ MUGA and Adizone ○ Parc Kronberg ○ Maes Gwenfrewi ○ 48 allotments ○ 100 growing spaces ○ Neuadd Gwenfrewi ○ Castle grounds ○ Plascrug Avenue ○ Queen's Square • Christmas lunch organised December 2024 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue to maintain and improve facilities for public benefit: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 3 playgrounds (Penparcau, Plascrug and Castle) ○ MUGA and Adizone ○ Parc Kronberg ○ Maes Gwenfrewi ○ 48 allotments ○ 100 growing spaces • Progress restoration and development of Neuadd Gwenfrewi cultural and community centre • Provide Senior's Christmas lunch December 2025
5.5	Continue to engage with the community regarding future developments by utilising various methods of engagement and consultation.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Large scale engagement and consultation regarding Neuadd Gwenfrewi, playground improvements in Penparcau etc 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Take advantage of engagement opportunities • Consult as appropriate • Promote the Council to foster public participation in local democracy
5.6	Continue to safeguard and celebrate the Welsh language and culture.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Simultaneous translation provided for all Full Council meetings and most Committee meetings. • All minutes and agendas and correspondence (as appropriate) bilingual with Welsh given priority. • Programme of events planned to celebrate 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Simultaneous translation provided for all Full Council meetings and Committees. • All minutes and agendas and correspondence (as appropriate) bilingual with Welsh given priority. • Implement programme of events to celebrate Welsh history and culture eg Gwyl y Castell in September.

		<p>Welsh history and culture. Santes Dwynwen event held in January and St David's Day Parade supported in March.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gwyl y Castell Welsh language music festival held in September 	
5.7	Continue to celebrate Aberystwyth's diversity.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Website diversity statement • Council support to initiatives eg Black Lives Matter and Hate Free Aberystwyth • Support to refugees. Ukrainian flag flown to show solidarity. • Flag policy adopted and new flagpole installed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Website diversity statement • Continued Council support to initiatives • Continued Council support for refugees • Flag policy maintained

GOAL 6: A Wales of vibrant culture and thriving Welsh language

A society that promotes and protects culture, heritage and the Welsh language, and which encourages people to participate in the arts, sports and recreation

In a nutshell: this goal aims for sports, arts, culture and the Welsh language to be part of everyday life for everyone.



An Aberystwyth of vibrant culture and thriving Welsh language

The first recorded Mayor of Aberystwyth Borough dates back to c1450, the first elected Mayor to 1836 and the first Mayor of Aberystwyth Town to 1974-75. Each Council has upheld the civic traditions passed on from previous councils. Today the Town Council is made up of a diverse group in terms of age, sex and backgrounds but every councillor, each one unpaid, cares passionately about Aberystwyth, the Welsh language, the local culture and maintaining the town's civic traditions.

The Town Council aims to support the Welsh language and local culture to the best of its abilities and powers:

- **Support to cultural events:** In addition to organising its own programme of historic and cultural events (Santes Dwynwen, Owain Glyndŵr, and the summer entertainment programme) the Town Council provides funding and actively supports a wide range of cultural events organised by partners that celebrate Welsh culture (see images above) and enhance Aberystwyth's sense of place: the Aberystwyth Eisteddfod, Pared Gwyl Dewi, MusicFest, the Silver Band extravaganza etc. Unfortunately, in 2020-21 all events were cancelled due to the pandemic, but local solo artists were commissioned to play in the town centre. The Ceredigion Eisteddfod has been another beneficiary of generous funding support as Aberystwyth was felt to benefit from the event. The Council's own cultural events have increased in 2024-25, with the addition of Gwyl y Castell, a Welsh language music festival attended by around 500 local residents.
- **Bilingual policy:** The Town Council operates a bilingual policy for meetings, papers and correspondence and supports various cultural events and societies. In 2023 it passed a motion to use Welsh place names only within both Welsh and English text. It also supports the Welsh language via scrutiny of signage in planning applications.
- **Commemorative plaques:** The Town Council has worked with partners to commemorate important historical events as well as noteworthy persons in Aberystwyth. In 2022 the Council adopted all the historic plaques in the town and in 2023 resolved to provide commemorative plaques for noteworthy women; one plaque towards a notable woman is erected each year. In 2024-5 a plaque was erected to Iris De Freitas, the first black barrister in the Caribbean, who studied in Aberystwyth.

Plans going forward:

	Aims	Projects 2024-25	2025-26
6.1	Continue to safeguard and celebrate the Welsh language and culture.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Simultaneous translation provided for all Full Council meetings and most Committee meetings. • All minutes and agendas and most correspondence bilingual with Welsh given priority. • Programme of events planned to celebrate Welsh history and culture. Santes Dwynwen event held in January and St David's Day Parade supported in March • Town Bard appointed at the Mayoral Inauguration and funded. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Simultaneous translation provided for all Full Council meetings and Committees. • All minutes and agendas and most correspondence bilingual with Welsh given priority. • Implement programme of events to celebrate Welsh history and culture – Santes Dwynwen, Tywysoges Gwenllïan, Owain Glyndŵr and St David's Day Parade supported. • Appoint Town Bard for 2025-26
6.2	Continue to provide funding support to community groups and events.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grants provided in May included cultural, environmental and social groups. • Events supported included Comedy Fest and Pared Gwyl Dewi. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grants issued in May 2025 • Support key events
6.3	Continue to celebrate Aberystwyth's diversity.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Website diversity statement • Council support to initiatives eg Black Lives Matter and Hate Free Aberystwyth • Support to refugees. Ukrainian flag flown to show solidarity. • Flag plan developed and new flagpole installed to increase options 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Website diversity statement • Continued Council support to initiatives • Maintain flag plan
6.4	Continue to speak out against inequalities by using all mechanism under the Council's control.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Website diversity statement • Council support to initiatives eg Black Lives Matter and Hate Free Aberystwyth • Support to refugees. Ukrainian flag flown to show solidarity. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Website diversity statement • Continued Council support to initiatives

6.5	<p>Continue to encourage socialisation through play areas, parks and allotments as well as events such as the seniors annual Christmas lunch.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Projects maintained and improved for public benefit include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 3 playgrounds (Penparcau, Plascrug and Castle) ○ MUGA and Adizone ○ Parc Kronberg ○ Maes Gwenfrewi ○ 48 allotments ○ 100 growing spaces • Christmas lunch organised December 2024 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue to maintain and improve facilities for public benefit: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 3 playgrounds (Penparcau, Plascrug and Castle) ○ MUGA and Adizone ○ Parc Kronberg ○ Maes Gwenfrewi ○ 48 allotments ○ 100 growing spaces • Further progress on restoration and development of Neuadd Gwenfrewi cultural and community centre • Provide Senior's Christmas lunch December 2025
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GOAL 7: A globally responsible Wales

A globally responsible Wales. A nation which, when doing anything to improve the economic, social, environmental and cultural wellbeing of Wales, takes account of whether doing such a thing may make a positive contribution to global wellbeing, and the capacity to adapt to change (eg climate change).

In a nutshell: this goal is to ensure that we use only our fair share of the earth's resources and that we choose actions that avoid exploitation of others and do not worsen global challenges like climate change



A globally responsible Aberystwyth

Aberystwyth Town Council aims to enhance and protect the environment and has been involved in the following:

- **Climate Emergency:** The Town Council declared a state of climate emergency and is working with partners to identify actions. The Council maintains green spaces and has a tree planting policy. The anticipated impact on the environment is a key consideration when responding to planning applications. Across the Town Council's parks and the town centre green spaces adopted from Ceredigion Council, over 50 trees were planted in 2022 as well as hundreds of pollinator plants. 10 trees were planted in 2024, and many more wildflowers and pollinator friendly plants.
- **Plastic Free Town:** The Council has actively supported Plastic Free Aberystwyth and was the first council in Wales to achieve Plastic Free status for Aberystwyth. Various projects, such as community litter picks and the commissioning of signage to discourage littering as well as the sale of gull proof bags (see image above) to discourage seagulls have been developed during 2024.
- **Town Twinning:** Aberystwyth has developed long lasting twinning friendships with Kronberg im Taunus (Germany), St Brieuc (Brittany), Arklow (Southern Ireland) and Esquel (Argentina) but also has an established friendship with Yosano (Japan). A more strategic approach has been implemented to strengthen the partnerships especially with the employment of an Events and Partnerships Officer.

Plans going forward:

	Aims	Projects 2024-25	2025-26
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7.1	Continue to work with and support environmental groups and partners to identify local actions to combat the climate emergency.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community grants provided to environmental groups. • Active participation in partnership groups. • Environmental initiatives such as sale of gull proof bags • Over 50 trees planted, 2 wildflower meadows and green spaces planted with pollinator plants in 2023 • 10 trees planted in 2024 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community grants provided to environmental groups. • Active participation in partnership groups. • Environmental initiatives such as sale of gull proof bags • Identify areas for further planting of trees and pollinators
7.2	Continue to safeguard Aberystwyth's natural environment and to support conservation initiatives.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community grants provided to environmental groups. • Active participation in partnership groups. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community grants provided to environmental groups. • Active participation in partnership groups
7.3	Continue to provide green leisure spaces, allotments and growing spaces and continue to plant as many native trees and bee friendly flowers as possible.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 playgrounds (Penparcau, Plascrug and Castle) • MUGA and Adizone • Parc Kronberg • Maes Gwenfrewi • Allotments • Growing spaces • Castle Grounds • Plascrug Avenue • Queen's Square 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 playgrounds (Penparcau, Plascrug and Castle) • MUGA and Adizone • Parc Kronberg • Maes Gwenfrewi • Allotments • Growing spaces • Castle Grounds • Plascrug Avenue • Queen's Square
7.4	Continue to speak out against inequalities by using all mechanism under the Council's control.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Communication channels • Policies 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Communication channels • Policies
7.5	Continue to support community groups by providing grants.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community grants 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community grants

Appendix 1: Council Budget

BUDGET for 2024-25

2024-25

ADMINISTRATION

Staffing Costs

All salary costs	182,000
Pension deficit	2,000
Payroll Costs	400
Officer training, meeting, travel costs	2,000

186,400

Office Costs

Office Miscellaneous	1,000
Stationary and Office Supplies	800
Photocopying and Printing	1,500
Telephone & Broadband	2,000
Office IT costs	7,000
Postage	600
Consultancy fees (+ Legal & professional)	3,000
Accommodation	18,000

33,900

Mandatory charges

Election Expenses	4,000
Bank Charges	400
Audit & Accounting	7,000
Advertising & PR	1,500
Translation	5,000
Insurance	12,500

30,400

MEMBERS EXPENSES

Mayor & Deputy Allowance & Costs	3,000
Members Allowances	5,000
Training	2,000
Meeting fees & expenses	300
Subscriptions	2,500
Civic Regalia, boards & portraits	1,500

14,300

GENERAL MANAGEMENT

Allotments and growing spaces	6,000
Flower bed costs	25,000
Parks & Grounds Maintenance	55,000
Parks & Grounds Capital	35,000
Contingency funds	5,000
Street Furniture	10,000
Tree planting & maintenance	8,000
Skateboard Park	0
Christmas (all costs)	40,000
Street Art (+ plaques)	3,000
Town wifi & Defibrillators	3,000
Street Cleaning	55,000

245,000

GRANTS, DONATIONS & PARTNERSHIPS

Community Grants	25,000
Emergency Fund	2,000
Farmers Market	0
Menter Aberystwyth	8,000

Events

Events, Arts + Bardd y Dref	22,000
Old Town Market - Costs	5,000

Celebrations and Receptions	3,000
Senior Citizens Xmas Dinners	2,000
Remembrance day - wreaths + service	650
TWINNING & FRIENDSHIPS	
All twinings	10,000

77,650

PROPERTY PURCHASE

NEUADD GWENFREWI General costs	15,000
NEUADD GWENFREWI Refurbishment costs	40,000

TOTAL 642,650

INCOME

Senior Citizens Dinner & Sponsors	500
Old Town Market - Income	4,200
Bank Account Interest	300
Allotment + growing spaces income	2,375

Precept 635,275

Appendix 2: Annual Accounts