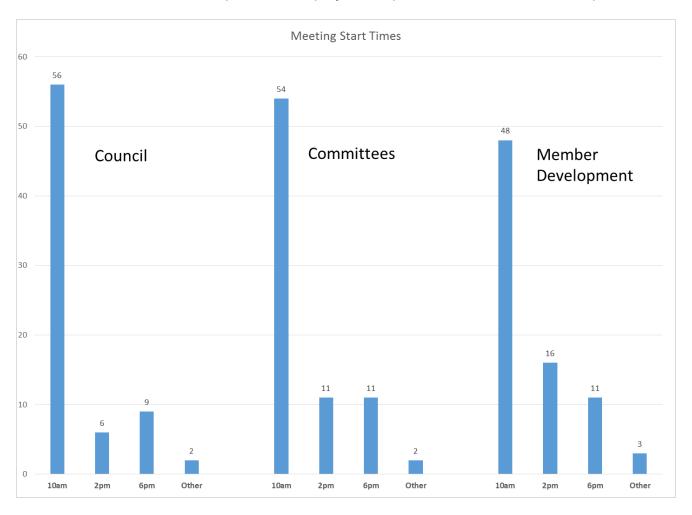70 of 74 Members responded (some members chose more than one option)

Timing of meetings

Meeting	10.00 am (as at present)		2.00pm		6 pm		Alternative timings	
Council	56	80%	6	8.57%	9	12.85%	2	2.86%
Committees	54	75.71%	11	15.71%	11	15.71%	2	2.86%
Member Developments Sessions	48	68.57%	16	15.71%	11	15.71%	3	4.28%

Examples of Comments:-
1. If 10% prefer evening meeting then perhaps we could have those 10% of the time.
2. Mornings are better as meetings can continue into the afternoon if required.
3. To make it fair to those who work, meetings at 9am or 6pm would be a great help.
4. Evenings preferably to allow for employment.
5. To get the best cross section of members it would be of help to move as many meetings to evening. This will help with employment or members with child care issues.
6. Don't finish work until 10am so unable to attend meetings before then.
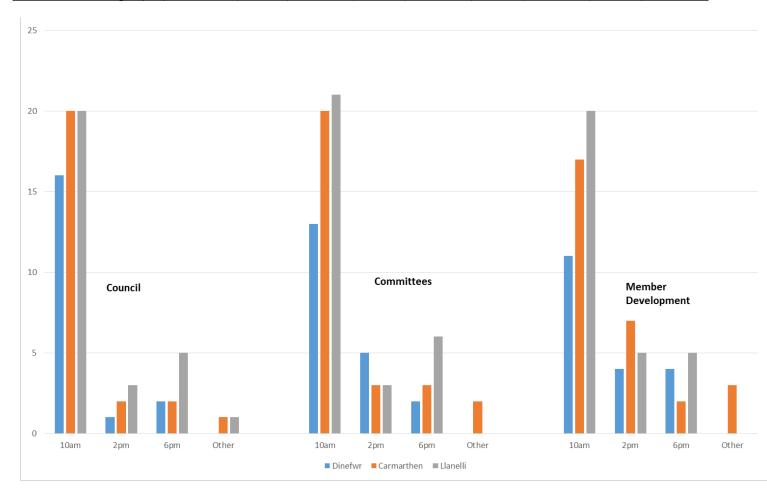7. For members in full or part time employment 6pm start would be less disruptive.

Meetings by Area

Council Meetings	10.00 am		2.00pm		6 pm		Alternative timings	
Dinefwr District Area (**18**)	16	88.9%	1	6.25%	2	11.11%	0	0%
Carmarthen District Area (**24**)	20	83.33%	2	8.33%	2	8.33%	1	4.17%
Llanelli Borough (**28**)	20	71.43%	3	10.71%	5	17.86%	1	3.57%

Committee Meetings	10.00 am		2.00pm		6 pm		Alternative timings	
Dinefwr District Area (**18**)	13	72.22%	5	27.78%	2	11.11%	0	0%
Carmarthen District Area (**24**)	20	83.33%	3	12.05%	3	12.50%	2	8.33%
Llanelli Borough (**28**)	21	75.00%	3	10.71%	8	28.57	0	0%

Development Meetings	10.00 am		2.00pm		6 pm		Alternative timings	
Dinefwr District Area (**18**)	11	61.11%	4	22.22%	4	22.22%	0	0%
Carmarthen District Area (**24**)	17	70.83%	7	29.17%	2	8.33%	3	12.50%
Llanelli Borough (**28**)	20	71.43%	5	17.86%	5	17.86%	0	0%

Meeting demographics

The table below shows the breakdown of meeting timing preference by age group:

Age Group (Totals)	Council Meeting			Committee & Sub Committee Meetings			Member Development Session		
	Morning	Afternoon	Evening	Morning	Afternoon	Evening	Morning	Afternoon	Evening
20 – 40 (7)	4	3	1	3	3	2	3	1	3
41 – 50 (8)	4	1	3	4	2	3	4	2	3
51 – 60 (22)	18	1	3	17	4	4	15	4	5
61+ (33)	30	1	2	30	2	2	26	9	0

NB: Some members selected more than one option

Of the 11 members indicating a preference for <u>evening</u> committee meetings, these can be broken down as follows:
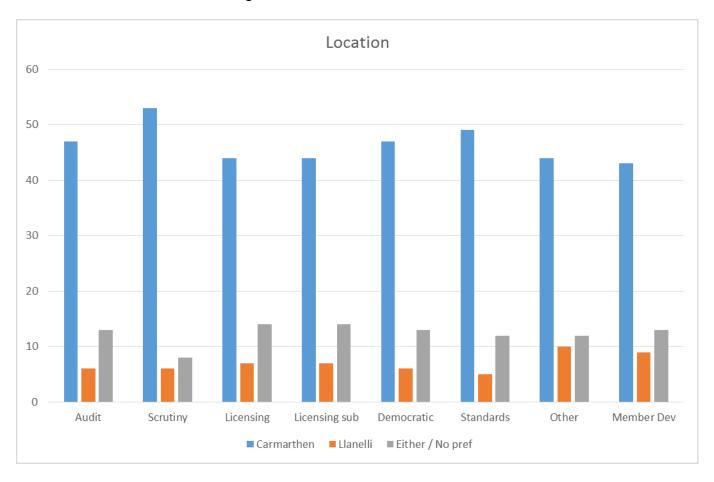
Committee Name	Total No of members (11)	Age group 20 – 40 (2)	Age Group 41 – 50 (3)	Age Group 51 – 60 (4)	Age Group 61+ (2)
Appeals Committee	1			1	
Appointments Committee A	1	1			
Appointments Committee B	2			2	
Audit Committee	4		1	1	2
Democratic Services Committee	1	1			
Education & Children's Scrutiny Committee	1	1			
Environmental & Public Protection Scrutiny Committee	1			1	
Executive Board	2			2	
Executive Board Member Decisions Meeting for Communities and Rural Affairs	1			1	
Executive Board Member Decisions Meeting for Housing	1			1	
Joint Scrutiny – Education & Children and Social Care and Health Scrutiny	2	1	1		
Joint Scrutiny Committee	3		1	2	
Licensing Committee	1		1		
Licensing Sub Committee A	1		1		
Members Appointments	1		1		
Planning Committee	2	1		1	
Policy & Resource Scrutiny Committee	5		2	1	2
Social Care & Health Scrutiny Committee	1		1		
Standards Committee	1			1	

Location

Meeting	Carmarthen		Llanelli		Either location / No preference	
Audit Committee	47	67.14%	6	8.57%	13	18.57%
Scrutiny Committee	53	75.71%	6	8.57%	8	11.42%
Licensing Committee	44	62.86%	7	10.00%	14	20.00%
Licensing Sub Committee	44	62.86%	7	10.00%	14	20.00%
Democratic Services	47	67.14%	6	8.57%	13	18.57%
Standards Committee	49	70.00%	5	7.14%	12	17.14%
Other Committees	44	62.86%	10	14.28%	12	17.14%
Member Development Events	43	61.43%	9	12.85%	13	18.57%

Examples of Comments:-

1. Should be central location and based on location of staff & facilities to save costs.
2. Carmarthen is central to the county.
3. AM in Carmarthen / PM in Llanelli
4. Carmarthen has always been the centre of administration and also has in place translation and webcasting facilities.

Intervals

Meeting		Same	Alternative
Council - (Monthly)	67	95.71%	Every 3 weeks
Audit - (Quarterly)	64	91.42%	
Planning - (every 4 weeks)	66	94.28%	
Licensing - (every 6 weeks)	63	90.00%	
Scrutiny - (every 6-8 weeks)	66	94.28%	
Democratic Services - (Quarterly)	62	88.57%	Every 4-6 months
Member Appointments - (Quarterly)	63	90.00%	
Standards - (Quarterly)	64	91.42%	As required
Other Meetings - (scheduled weekly/monthly & held depending on business)	66	94.28%	As Required

Examples of Comments:-

1. Planning meetings every 4 weeks at present but they meet twice a month maybe 3.