

# PWYLLGOR CRAFFU DIOGELU'R CYHOEDD A'R AMGYLCHEDD 11<sup>eg</sup> O IONAWR 2016

## Uned Cadwraeth Gwledig – Diweddariad

### Ystyried y materion canlynol a chyflwyno sylwadau arnynt:

- Bod y Pwyllgor yn ystyried y diweddariad ar weithgaredd yr Uned Cadwraeth Gwledig yn ystod 2015, ac yn cyflwyno sylwadau arno.

### Rhesymau:

- Er mwyn cyflwyno'r newyddion diweddaraf ar waith y gwasanaeth i'r Pwyllgor a galluogi aelodau i gyflawni eu dyletswyddau craffu ynghylch monitro perfformiad.

**Angen cyfeirio'r mater at y Bwrdd Gweithredol er mwyn gwneud penderfyniad:  
NAC OES**

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## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

# ENVIRONMENTAL & PUBLIC PROTECTION SCRUTINY COMMITTEE 11<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2016

## Rural Conservation Unit Update

The report highlights the activities carried out by the Rural Conservation Unit in 2015, and its purpose is to inform Committee of these.

The Rural Conservation Unit promotes the understanding, conservation, enhancement, and responsible management of Carmarthenshire's natural resources, including its landscapes and its habitats and species, consistent with Carmarthenshire's Integrated Community Strategy and Carmarthenshire County Council's core values.

The Unit carries out the following statutory functions:

- Tree Preservation Orders – Town & Country Planning (Trees) Regulations 1999
- Hedgerow Regulations 1997
- Commons Registration Act 1965

It also works to ensure that the Council's operations are compliant under the Natural Environment and Rural Communities (NERC) Act 2006.

The Unit provides specialist advice to development management, to other officers in the council and to the general public on woodlands, trees, hedgerows, common land biodiversity and landscape. It ensures that approved development, and other projects comply with relevant legislation and the various policies that relate to the natural environment in the Local Development Plan (LDP). The Unit runs practical conservation projects such as the Caeau Mynydd Mawr Special Area of Conservation (SAC).

The Unit works effectively with partners such as Natural Resource Wales, West Wales Biodiversity Information Centre, Dyfed Archaeological Trust, Butterfly Conservation and the Wildlife Trusts. It has also worked collaboratively with local authorities in both Pembrokeshire and Swansea.

A detailed overview of the work of the Unit is attached.

**DETAILED REPORT ATTACHED?**

**YES**

## IMPLICATIONS

I confirm that other than those implications which have been agreed with the appropriate Directors / Heads of Service and are referred to in detail below, there are no other implications associated with this report.

Signed: **Llinos Quelch** Head of Planning

Policy, Crime & Disorder and Equalities	Legal	Finance	ICT	Risk Management Issues	Staffing Implications	Physical Assets
<b>NONE</b>	<b>NONE</b>	<b>NONE</b>	<b>NONE</b>	<b>NONE</b>	<b>NONE</b>	<b>NONE</b>

## CONSULTATIONS

I confirm that the appropriate consultations have taken in place and the outcomes are as detailed below:

Signed: **Llinos Quelch** Head of Planning

1. Local Member(s) – N/A
2. Community / Town Council – N/A
3. Relevant Partners – N/A
4. Staff Side Representatives and other Organisations – All staff within the section have contributed to this report.

**Section 100D Local Government Act, 1972 – Access to Information**  
**List of Background Papers used in the preparation of this report:**

**THERE ARE NONE**

Title of Document	File Ref No. / Locations that the papers are available for public inspection