

Carmarthenshire County Council

Community Review

Final Recommendations -this includes a summary of submissions received to the Initial and Draft Recommendations

Recommendation	Received by and summary of response	Draft Recommendation
1	<p>Llanfihangel-ar-arth Community Council- agreed at their meeting on 13th March 2023 to propose unwarding of their community council.</p> <p>A letter was received from the Community Council supporting the draft proposals.</p>	<p>Currently this community council has a North and a South Ward. Final recommendation is to unward the community council, retaining their membership of 12 members.</p>
2	<p>Manordeilo and Salem Community Council-agreed at their meeting on 8th March 2023 that they are satisfied with current arrangements. A subsequent email was received on 5 May 2023, which indicated that members at their meeting on 12 April 2023 agreed to the unwarding of their community council. A further letter of support for these proposals was received from the Community Council on 26 June 2023. A further letter of support was received from Councillor Fiona Walters for this proposal on 5 July 2023.</p>	<p>Currently this community council has a Cwmifor Ward and a Salem Ward. Final recommendation is to unward the community council, retaining their membership of 12 members.</p>
3	<p>Llangathen Community Council-agreed by all members to propose unwarding of their community council.</p>	<p>Currently this community council has a North and a South Ward. Final recommendation is to unward the community council, retaining their membership of 8 members.</p>
4	<p>Carmarthen Town Council-agreed by all members that they are satisfied with current arrangements.</p>	<p>Final recommendation is to retain status quo for Carmarthen Town Council.</p>
5	<p>Llangyndeyrn Community Council-agreed by members at their meeting on 3rd April 2023 to recommend the following:</p>	<p>Final recommendation is to propose: Pontyates ward- 5 Members Carway ward- 5 Members</p>

	<p>Pontyates Ward- decrease by one member, hence from 6 members to 5. Carway Ward- increase by two members, hence from 3 members to 5 Llangyndeyrn Ward- retain the three members, hence no change. *This will provide an overall increase by one member. A further letter was received from the Community Council on 4 July supporting the Draft recommendations.</p> <p>Further communication was received from Councillor Meinir James supporting the Draft Recommendations.</p>	<p>Llangyndeyrn ward – 3 Members</p> <p>Overall increase of one member.</p>
6	<p>Councillor Tyssul Evans, County Councillor for Llangyndeyrn Electoral Ward. Cllr Evans suggested three scenarios, one of which is the proposal submitted by Llangyndeyrn Community Council. Cllr Evans also suggested the movement of electors from one community ward to another, within Llangyndeyrn Community Council on the basis that geographically they would sit better in the suggested community ward.</p> <p>A further letter was received from Councillor Tyssul Evans on 26 June stating he supports the draft proposals for Llangyndeyrn Community Council.</p>	<p>Final recommendation is to propose:</p> <p>Pontyates ward- 5 Members Carway ward- 5 Members Llangyndeyrn ward – 3 Members</p> <p>Overall increase of one member.</p> <p>Also recommend the moving Streets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ●Pontnewydd from Register BZ (Carway Ward) to Register CC (Pontyates Ward) ●Pontyates from Register BZ (Carway Ward) to Register CC (Pontyates Ward) ●Four Roads from Register CB (Llangyndeyrn Ward) to Register CC (Pontyates Ward)
7	<p>Llanelli Town Council – It was agreed by Members at their meeting on 5th April 2023 to propose splitting the community wards of Bigyn and Glanymor into</p>	<p>This proposal has been considered as part of the Draft proposals; however, we believe that splitting the two community wards of Bigyn and</p>

	smaller wards i.e., Bigyn 1, Bigyn 2 and Glanymor 1 and Glanymor 2. No other proposals were put forward.	Glanymor into two will not offer any real benefit or positively contribute towards effective and convenient local governance, therefore this was not considered. This remains the same for the Final Recommendations and status quo will retain regarding Llanelli Town Council.
8	Councillor John Jenkins, County Councillor for Elli Electoral Ward-Cllr Jenkins stated his objection to the original proposal put forward by Llanelli Town Council as in recommendation 7.	
9	Councillor Louvain Roberts, County Councillor for Glanymor Electoral Ward-Cllr Roberts stated her objection to the original proposal put forward by Llanelli Town Council as in recommendation 7.	
10	Councillor Sean L. Rees, County Councillor for Glanymor Electoral Ward-Cllr Rees stated his objection to the original proposal put forward by Llanelli Town Council as in recommendation 7.	
11	Councillor Michael D. Cranham, County Councillor for Bigyn Electoral Ward-Cllr Cranham stated his objection to the original proposal put forward by Llanelli Town Council as in recommendation 7.	
12	St. Ishmael Community Council-at their council meeting on 4 th April, Members agreed that they did not wish to unward but to retain the three community wards, namely Ferryside, Llansaint and Picton.	Final recommendation is to retain status quo for St. Ishmael Community Council.
13	Gorslas Community Council- Members agreed at their March meeting that they were satisfied with current arrangements with their membership numbers, warding arrangements and the name of the Community Council.	Final recommendation is to retain status quo for Gorslas Community Council.

14	Llanddowror and Llanmiloe Community Council- Members agreed at their April meeting that they have no significant or strong objections to the unwarding of their community council.	Currently this community council has a North Ward and South Ward. Final recommendation is to unward Llanddowror and Llanmiloe Community Council, retaining a membership of ten members.
15	Cenarth Community Council- at their meeting on 6 th April, Members agreed that they are totally opposed to the unwarding of their community council on the grounds that there is no conflict between the interests of the wards, unwarding would lead to neglect of residents and not bring the community closer.	Final recommendation is to retain the status quo for Cenarth Community Council.
16	<p>Llanelli Rural Council- at their meeting on 19 April 2023, Members of the Council's Policy and Resources Committee after having carried out an exercise to forecast future electorate using the Local Development Plan 2018-2033, put forward a proposal to increase the membership of the Bynea ward from three to four members.</p> <p>Three emails were received from Councillor Jason Hart, Councillor Alex Evans and Councillor Sharen Davies. All three Councillor's support the increase of the Bynea Ward by one member but also propose that the Dafen Ward is decreased by one Member.</p> <p>The draft recommendations were considered by Llanelli Rural council and were fully supported.</p>	<p>Final recommendation is to propose an increase by one member to the Bynea Ward of Llanelli Rural Council, giving an increase from 3 to four members and an overall increase from 21 to 22 members.</p> <p>The proposal to decrease the Dafen Ward was considered, however the ratio of councillor: electors for this ward is consistent with other community ward ratios in Carmarthenshire. Therefore, this proposal has been rejected.</p>
17	Newcastle Emlyn Town Council- Members feel strongly that their current membership should be retained at 10 members.	Final recommendation is to retain the status quo for Newcastle Emlyn Town Council.
18	Llangeler Community Council- Members wish to retain status quo on current membership, warding arrangements and name of their community council	Final recommendation is to retain the status quo for Llangeler Community Council.

<p>19</p>	<p>Llanllawddog Community Council- Members wish to retain current arrangements. A further letter was received by Llanllawddog Community Council on 11 July 2023 supporting the Draft Recommendations.</p>	<p>Final recommendation is to retain the status quo for Llanllawddog Community Council.</p>
<p>20</p>	<p>Cilymaenllwyd Community Council- Members agree to the unwarding of their community council.</p>	<p>Currently this community council has a North Ward and South Ward. Final recommendation is to unward Cilymaenllwyd Community Council, retaining a membership of nine members.</p>
<p>21</p>	<p>Llanfihangel Aberbythych Community Council- Members agree to the unwarding of their community council.</p>	<p>Currently this community council has a North Ward and South Ward. Final recommendation is to unward Llanfihangel Aberbythych Community Council, retaining a membership of eleven members.</p>
<p>22</p>	<p>Councillor Carys Jones, County Councillor for St. Clears and Llansteffan Electoral Ward. Cllr Jones wishes to see the retention of the Community Wards of Llansteffan and Llanybri on the grounds that they are different communities and Cllr Jones feels if the community council became unwarded then there is a risk of Llanybri issues would be become completely marginalized.</p>	<p>Final recommendation is to retain the status quo for Llansteffan and Llanybri Community Council.</p>
<p>23</p>	<p>Llansteffan and Llanybri Community Council- Members at their April meeting resolved to retain current arrangements and object to any proposal to unward their community council.</p>	<p>Final recommendation is to retain the status quo for Llansteffan and Llanybri Community Council.</p>
<p>24</p>	<p>Llandyfaelog Community Council- Members wish to see current arrangements continue. A further letter was received from Llandyfaelog Community Council supporting the Draft proposals.</p>	<p>Final recommendation is to retain the status quo for Llandyfaelog Community Council.</p>

	Communication was also received from Cllr. Meirir James supporting the current arrangements for Llandyfaelog Community Council.	
25	<p>Electoral Registration Officer proposes that Cilycwm Community Council is unwarded. This proposal is put forward as she believes that the community council would still work effectively for all residents and that becoming unwarded will not devalue the strength of the Community Council.</p> <p>A letter was received from Cilycwm Community Council supporting the Draft proposals.</p>	Final recommendation is to unward Cilycwm Community Council, retaining their overall membership of 8.
26	Electoral Registration Officer proposes that Cynwyl Gaeo Community Council is unwarded. This proposal is put forward as she believes that the community council would still work effectively for all residents and that becoming unwarded will not devalue the strength of the Community Council.	Final recommendation is to unward Cynwyl Gaeo Community Council, retaining their overall membership of 10.
27	Electoral Registration Officer proposes that Llanboidy Community Council is unwarded. This proposal is put forward as she believes that the community council would still work effectively for all residents and that becoming unwarded will not devalue the strength of the Community Council.	Final recommendation is to unward Llanboidy Community Council, retaining their overall membership of 10.
28	Electoral Registration Officer proposes that Llanegwad Community Council is unwarded. This proposal is put forward as she believes that the community council would still work effectively for all residents and that becoming unwarded will not devalue the strength of the Community Council.	Final recommendation is to retain the status quo for Llanegwad Community Council, retaining their overall membership of 12.

	A letter was received in response to the draft recommendations stating that the Community Council do NOT wish to become unwarded community council as they wish to retain its local representation on the grounds that they cover a geographical area.	
29	Electoral Registration Officer proposes that Llangunnor Community Council is unwarded. This proposal is put forward as she believes that the community council would still work effectively for all residents and that becoming unwarded will not devalue the strength of the Community Council.	Final recommendation is to unward Llangunnor Community Council, retaining their overall membership of 13.
30	Electoral Registration Officer proposes that Llanybydder Community Council is unwarded. This proposal is put forward as she believes that the community council would still work effectively for all residents and that becoming unwarded will not devalue the strength of the Community Council.	Final recommendation is to unward Llanybydder Community Council, retaining their overall membership of 12.
31	Electoral Registration Officer proposes that St. Clears Community Council is unwarded. This proposal is put forward as she believes that the community council would still work effectively for all residents and that becoming unwarded will not devalue the strength of the Community Council.	Final recommendation is to unward St. Clears Community Council, retaining their overall membership of 13.

The Electoral Registration Officer received no formal proposals for change for the following Town/Community Councils and their Community Wards, therefore the Electoral Registration Officer recommends there is no change to the following Town/Community Councils current arrangements:

Abergwili

Henllanfallteg

Llanfihangel Rhos-y-Corn

Llansawel

Abernant

Kidwelly

Llanfynydd

Llanwinio

Ammanford	Laugharne Township	Llangadog	Llanwrda
Betws	Llanarthney	Llangain	Llanycrwys
Bronwydd	Llanddarog	Llangennech	Meidrim
Cwarter Bach	Llanddeusant	Llangynin	Myddfai
Cwmamman	Llandeilo	Llangynog	Newchurch and Merthyr
Cynwyl Elfed	Llandovery	Llanllwni	Pembrey & Burry Port
Dyffryn Cennen	Llandybie	Llannon	Pencarreg
Eglwyscummin	Llanedi	Llanpumsaint	Pendine
	Llanfair-ar-Bryn	Llansadwrn	Pontyberem
Talley	Trelech a'r Betws	Trimsaran	Whitland