

Y PWYLLGOR CRAFFU LLE, CYNALIADWYEDD A NEWID HINSAWDD

6 MEHEFIN 2024

EFFEITHLONRWYDD YNNI A CHYNHYRCHU YNNI MEWN TAI HANESYDDOL

Y Pwrpas:

Rhoi mewnwelediad i aelodau'r pwyllgor ar fater effeithlonrwydd ynni a chynhyrchu ynni mewn perthynas â stoc adeiladau hanesyddol y sir, gan ganolbwyntio'n benodol ar adeiladau sydd ag amddiffyniad statudol, yn dilyn atgyfeiriad gan y Pwyllgor Craffu Cymunedau, Cartrefi ac Adfywio.

Yr argymhellion / penderfyniadau allweddol sydd eu hangen:

Aelodau'n nodi'r papur amgaeedig

Y rhesymau:

Yn eu cyfarfod ar 5 Ebrill 2023 ystyriodd y Pwyllgor Craffu Cymunedau, Cartrefi ac Adfywio bapur ar arfarniadau ardaloedd Cadwraeth. Cymeradwyodd y pwyllgor yr adroddiad, gan gynnig i gyhoeddi llythyr i Lywodraeth Cymru er mwyn tynnu sylw at yr heriau a'r gwrthdwyddiadau rhwng ardaloedd cadwraeth a'r argyfwng hinsawdd, ac i gael rhagor o wybodaeth am y mater.

Yn eu cyfarfod ar 29 Mehefin 2023, ystyriodd y Pwyllgor Craffu Cymunedau, Cartrefi ac Adfywio wybodaeth bellach am y mater, gan benderfynu peidio ag ysgrifennu at Lywodraeth Cymru ond cyfeirio'r mater at y Pwyllgor i'w ystyried.

Mae'r papur yn atodiad 1 yn nodi nodyn cefndir ar Effeithlonrwydd Ynni a Chynhyrchu Ynni mewn tai hanesyddol

Angen i'r Cabinet wneud penderfyniad NAC OES

Angen i'r Cyngor wneud penderfyniad NAC OES

YR AELOD CABINET SY'N GYFRIFOL AM Y PORTFFOLIO:-

Y Cyngorydd Ann Davies, Aelod Cabinet dros Faterion Gwledig, Cydlyniant Cymunedol a Pholisi Cynllunio, y Cyngorydd Aled Vaughan Owen, Aelod Cabinet dros Newid Hinsawdd, Datgarboneiddio a Chynaliadwyedd.

Y Gyfarwyddiaeth: Lle a
Chynaliadwyedd

Enw Pennaeth y Gwasanaeth:
Rhodri Griffiths

Awdur yr Adroddiad:
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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

PLACE, SUSTAINABILITY AND CLIMATE CHANGE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE 6TH JUNE 2024

ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND ENERGY GENERATION IN HISTORIC HOUSING

1. BRIEF SUMMARY OF PURPOSE OF REPORT.

The topic of energy generation and energy efficiency in historic homes is an extremely pertinent issue in meeting Zero Carbon targets of Wales. One in three of all domestic homes are 'historic', ie built before 1919, equating to half a million homes. Currently the majority are misunderstood and repaired and maintained using inappropriate materials which not only makes them energy inefficient but actually serves to significantly damage their structure.

There are a number of misconceptions about the negative impact the historic housing stock plays on meeting the Zero Carbon targets of Carmarthenshire:

1. It is more efficient to knock down an old building and build a new, more energy efficient one.
2. Historic buildings are necessarily cold, draughty, mouldy and hard to heat.
3. Statutory protection of buildings is a real hinderance to installing energy efficiency and energy generation measures in the County.

Contrary to these misconceptions (addressed in the attached report), many working in the field of historic building maintenance recognise the important positive contribution old buildings make to meeting our zero carbon targets. The Tywi Centre, which is part of the Place and Sustainability team, is a UK-wide authority on the appropriate care, repair and adaptation of old buildings which makes Carmarthenshire a lead in this area delivering training and education to support to the construction industry, colleges, homeowners and architects & surveyors.

To further develop Carmarthenshire's progress in this area it is suggested that greater collaboration is supported.

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: **Rhodri Griffiths** Head of Place & Sustainability

Policy, Crime & Disorder and Equalities	Legal	Finance	ICT	Risk Management Issues	Staffing Implications	Physical Assets	Bio-diversity & Climate Change
NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE	YES

8. Biodiversity and Climate Change

The attached report directly addresses the role that Historic Buildings play in meeting the Zero Carbon Targets for the County. It outlines the appropriate methods and materials for the maintenance, repair and improving the energy efficiency of all historic buildings and any limitations posed by statutory protection.

CONSULTATIONS

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

Signed: R.Griffiths

Head of Place and sustainability

1. Scrutiny Committee request for pre-determination

NA

Scrutiny Committee

Communities, Homes & Regeneration scrutiny

Date the report was considered:-

5 APRIL 2023, 29 June 2023

Scrutiny Committee Outcome/Recommendations:-

5 April 2023

1. The report was approved
2. A letter is to be sent from the Chair to Welsh Government to highlight the challenges and contradictions between conservation areas and the climate emergency and that it considers how it can best support in both preserving and saving the environment.

29 June 2023

1. The Committee at its meeting held on the 29th June decided to not send a letter to the WG but instead requested the Place, Sustainability and Climate Change Scrutiny Committee to look at the broader issue of energy efficiency and generation of energy in relation to the County's historic housing stock

2.Local Member(s) None

3.Community / Town Council None

4.Relevant Partners None

5.Staff Side Representatives and other Organisations

Robert Broome, Energy Project Officer, Place and Sustainability Team

CABINET MEMBER PORTFOLIO HOLDER AWARE/CONSULTED	YES
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**Section 100D Local Government Act, 1972 – Access to Information
List of Background Papers used in the preparation of this report:**

THESE ARE DETAILED BELOW:

Title of Document	File Ref No.	Locations that the papers are available for public inspection
Carmarthenshire Local Development Plan (2006-2021)		https://www.cartogold.co.uk/Carmarthenshire LDP/index.html
Part L of the Building Regulations. Volume 1 – Dwellings. Conservation of Fuel and Power		https://www.gov.wales/sites/default/files/publications/2022-05/approved-document-l-vol-1.pdf
Planning (Listed Building and Conservation Areas) Act 1990		https://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/1990/9/contents
Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 1995		https://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/1995/418/contents/made