

A Cohesive Place

Attractive, viable, safe and well-connected communities.

Current position and actions

There is an understandable focus on improving the prospects of the town centre as a hub for economic opportunity and service access. The development of edge of town retail, food and leisure parks is also affecting the attractiveness and viability of district and village centres. In the more rural areas access to local shops and leisure services have been severely restricted e.g. Post Offices closing due to lack of local use.

Reduced access to public transport arising from recent changes to bus routes further reinforces dependence on car-based travel to access basic services with resulting concerns around resident parking, congestion, air quality and speeding.

Concerns regarding drug use in public and anti-social behaviour in some areas require an enhanced response.

Proposed Interventions

Llanelli Community Shops Network

Learning from success elsewhere – community shops/cafes – this intervention involves targeting the set up of a not-for-profit network of community amenities in identified areas utilising available premises. A network approach should result in economies of scale in purchasing and profit sharing.

RDP Funding and Plunkett Foundation development support will be a focus for getting things going.

Information on bus changes and local integrated transport response

Produce and publish summary of recent changes and explanation of decision making.

Community integrated transport plan (cycling, walking, and public transport) with options for service improvements.

Partners – Community groups, local people, First Cymru, Community Transport Association.

Measures of progress – Increased local spending.

Local priorities - Bynea, Five Roads, Maengwynne, Ponthenri and Pwll.