

TREARDDUR COMMUNITY COUNCIL ANNUAL REPORT 2025-26

1. Introduction.

Trearddur Community Council is served by twelve councillors, all of whom are fully committed to representing local residents and ensuring the provision of services and facilities that support the social and environmental wellbeing of the community.

Councillors in office during the year were:

Jack Abbott MBE
Susan Conrad-Smith
Bethan Davies
Alwyn Jones
Anwen McCann
Stephen Magee
Geoff McGinn
Paul Norris
Keith Roberts
Dafydd Rhys Thomas
Stephen Williams (Chairman)

2. Financial Information.

Income and expenditure in the financial year which ended on 31 March 2026 is summarised as follows:

Balances brought forward from 2024/25	97035
Income from local taxation/levy	36,000
Total other receipts	16975
Staff costs	7508
Total other payments	41947
Balances carried forward to 2025/26	100555
Total fixed assets and long-term assets	90,922

The accounts have been examined by an independent internal auditor and have been approved by the Council in June 2026.

3. Relationship with the Principal Council.

The County Council provided a steady flow of information to the Community Council through the Clerk, ensuring regular communication throughout the year.

County Councillors Keith Roberts and Dafydd Rhys Thomas, both long-serving members of the Community Council, offered valuable insight into the work of the County Council. They also raised issues with the relevant officers whenever action was required, ensuring matters were followed up appropriately.

Councillor Trefor Lloyd Hughes MBE was also a very dedicated County Councillor who supported the residents of Trearddur Community Council for many years until his passing in November 2025. He is greatly missed by his friends and colleagues

on the Community Council. His County Council seat was taken up by Councillor Celfyn Furlong – he was welcomed to his first Trearddur Community Council meeting in February 2026.

4. Complaints.

There have been no complaints from members of the public against any of our Councillors or the services we provide. However:

- i. not everyone was happy with the Community Council decision to close off the watercourse on the Recreation Ground in Lon Isallt - this work had been carried out to ensure public safety.
- ii. several emails / letters were received from individual members of the Village Hall Committee complaining about the reporting on village hall matters in the Community Council minutes. Despite this it was agreed that the minutes were accurate and would not be changed or withdrawn.

5. Code of Conduct.

The Clerk is fully conversant with the Code of Conduct and associated guidance and our councillors receive training on the Code of Conduct.

6. Governance.

The clerk ensured that the Council's actions and decisions were made strictly in accordance with statutory procedures, policies and procedures and that each related document and financial return was published in a timely manner.

7. Council Responsibilities

Trearddur Community Council undertakes a wide range of responsibilities to support the community and maintain local facilities. These include:

Community Assets and Facilities

- Custodian Trustee of Trearddur Bay and District Village Hall.
- Leaseholder of the recreation ground, pavilion, and play area on Lon Isallt.
- Ownership and maintenance of 10 bus shelters.
- Ownership of 8 recycled-plastic planters on Lon St Ffraid and Lon Isallt.
- Ownership and maintenance of 12 benches and 2 picnic tables.
- Ownership and maintenance of 2 recycled-plastic notice boards and two Trearddur Bay welcome signs.

Representation and Advocacy

- Representing residents and conveying their concerns to the Community Council and, through it, to the County Council and Welsh Government.
- Reporting back to residents on issues affecting the community.
- Negotiating with and influencing organisations whose decisions impact the area.

Consultation and Advisory Work

- Providing views on planning applications.
- Responding to matters relating to highway maintenance, traffic calming, parking, street naming, and other infrastructure issues.

- Addressing issues relating to public rights of way.

Committee and Board Membership

- Serving on the **Holyhead Joint Burial Board**.
- Participating in additional committees and boards on behalf of the community.

8. Activities Undertaken During the Year

Throughout the year, the Council carried out a wide range of work to support local facilities and respond to community needs:

- **Play Area Improvements** — Maintained the busy play area on Lon Isallt and created a new, safer entrance designed to improve accessibility for wheelchair users and families.
- **Watercourse Safety Improvements – Recreation Ground**
- The Council undertook significant work to improve safety and accessibility around the watercourse. This included fencing the area to reduce risk to users, erecting clear and appropriate safety signage, and carrying out improvements to the access points across the watercourse to ensure safer and easier ground maintenance.
- **Public Footpath Maintenance** — Cut and maintained public footpaths to ensure they remained accessible for residents and visitors.
- **Additional Waste Collection** — Provided an additional waste-collection service for the play area to manage increased usage.
- **Drainage and Flooding Advocacy** — Successfully campaigned for improved drainage systems to safeguard residents from flooding.
- **Enhanced local amenities** with donations for flowers and plants which our local volunteers very kindly planted and watered.
- **Planning Consultation Responses** — Responded to consultation requests on planning applications, ensuring local views were represented and made extensive representations to initial Local Development Plan consultations.
- **Resident Engagement** — Held drop-in sessions to gather residents' views, concerns, and suggestions.
- **Community Donations** — Donated to a range of local organisations supporting community wellbeing.

9. Objectives for the Coming Year

- **Effective Community Service** To continue providing an effective and cost-effective service to our community by ensuring that Council resources are used responsibly, services are delivered efficiently, and decisions are made in the best interests of residents. This includes maintaining high standards of governance, responding promptly to local issues, and seeking value for money in all areas of expenditure.
- **Recreation Ground Improvements** To continue improving the facilities in the recreation ground, including upgrading existing play equipment and purchasing additional items that will enhance the area for children and families.
- **Environmental and Waste Monitoring** To continue monitoring environmental matters and waste-disposal issues.
- **Street Furniture Upgrades** To continue upgrading street furniture across the community.

- **Bus Shelter Maintenance** To carry out ongoing maintenance work on the bus shelters.
- **Environmental Protection** To further our commitment to improving and protecting the environment and natural habitats.
- **Welsh Language Promotion** To promote and encourage the use of the Welsh language.

10. Training Plan

Community Councillors attend training courses as appropriate, and the Community Council is a member of One Voice Wales, which provides the majority of training required by local councils. A separate Training Plan has been produced to reflect the specific development needs of the Council and to ensure ongoing compliance with best practice and governance standards.