

Reporting on Section 6

Community and Town Councils

Environment (Wales) Act 2016 Part 1 – Section 6 The Biodiversity and Resilience of Ecosystems Duty

The Biodiversity and Resilience of Ecosystems Duty Report 2025			
Name of Community or Town Council:		Y Bala Town Council	
Group:		2	
Introduction and Context - Bala Town Council has limited land and land management responsibilities currently, but is beginning to develop a plan to initiate town projects and to promote and connect existing projects locally to maximise effect. - Bala has a population of around 2000 people who can take positive action for biodiversity and resilience. - The ward covers 242 hectares and is relatively densely populated			
Action Report 2023 - 2025			
NRAP Objective	Action carried out to...		Monitored by:
1	-embed biodiversity into decision making & procurement	Grass cutting and grounds maintenance, now to include optimising for plant diversity eg. Non native Rhododendrons removed from Tomen y Bala.	Inclusion in contract documents
	-raise awareness of biodiversity & its importance	Main Council Facebook page available for promotion of initiatives and activities.	Quarterly Biodiversity Group meetings
2	-safeguard principal species and habitats	Working with the Wildlife Trust and RSPB to raise awareness of and protect Bala's important Swift colony. 'Swift Half' talk and walk to look at and educate people about the important Swift habitat in Bala centre . Seeking to gain 'Bee friendly' status for Bala	Quarterly Biodiversity Group meetings
3	-restore & create habitats and resilient ecological networks	Contact made with Gwynedd Council to explore verge management for biodiversity . Flower boxes installed	Ongoing dialogue



		on high street 2025 and additional boxes purchased for the 2026 season	with GC and maintenance team
4	-tackle negative factors: for e.g. reduce pollution, use nature based solutions, address invasive species	SWOT analysis of town issues carried out and negative factor threats identified – working towards a plan and interaction with other relevant agencies within the area on going Some invasive species managed by Parc Eryri warden service . Spoke to warden team about how we can support their volunteer drives .	Negative factors and mitigating actions will be included in the s6 plan . Volunteering opportunities to be published on Council FB page
5	-use improve and share evidence	Swift monitoring in place in association with Wild Life Trust . Data and evidence shared with council and participants during the Swift Half event	Wildlife Trust , local monitoring team
6	-support capacity and/or other organisations	Contact made with the following agencies :Wildlife trusts, RSPB, Parc Eryri warden service , NRW,Gwynedd Council , Rugby Club,Sports Association , Ysgol Godre'r Berwyn , Community Gardens . Others identified and will be contacted for comments and actions .	Correspondence with relevant stakeholders as required

Review of S6 duty actions for 2023-2025

What has worked well?	Strengthened working relationship with Wildlife Trust with regards to important Swift Habitat maintenance . Working more closely with Eryi Park Wardens to control none native species within the area . Maintenance of flowers on High Street to attract pollinator species .
What have the barriers been?	Limited relationship between Y Bala Town Council and Gwynedd Council and Eryi Biodiversity Teams.
What will you change?	Link between Gwynedd Council and Eryi Biodiversity team with Y Bala Town Council needs to be strengthened to promote and support activity carried out in area by these agencies .
How and when will the s6 duty be monitored and the s6 plan reviewed?	Ongoing monitoring by Y Bala Town Council Biodiversity sub committee



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Group	Description of organisation relative to biodiversity. Organisations:	Minimum Actions	Examples	NRAP objectives for Action Reporting (see template Annex 1)
1	- that own or occupy an office building only and - whose functions are not directly connected to biodiversity and/or land management.	Actions related to buildings management, procurement, sustainability, awareness raising, training, or in partnership with other organisations	Commissions, DVLA	NRAP objectives 1, 4, 6
2	- that own, occupy or manage land their own buildings and grounds, - whose functions are connected with biodiversity and/or land management, or - that can influence those who own or manage land.	As per Group 1 above PLUS grounds management, cascading funding criteria, providing education and training	Public Health Wales, Universities, Sport Wales	NRAP objectives 1,4,6 as above NRAP objectives 2, 3, 5 relating to own grounds
3	that own or manage land beyond their own grounds, whether their functions are connected with biodiversity and/or land management or not.	As per Groups 1 and 2 above PLUS land management to maintain and enhance biodiversity, and promote the resilience of ecosystems.	Dŵr Cymru, Local Authorities, NRW, Welsh Government	All NRAP objectives

The **Nature Recovery Action Plan for Wales (NRAP)** sets out six objectives for reversing the decline of biodiversity which should be used to help develop and guide actions to comply with the section 6 duty:

The **6 objectives** to maintain and enhance biodiversity are:

- Objective 1:** Engage and support participation and understanding to embed biodiversity throughout decision making at all levels
- Objective 2:** Safeguard species and habitats of principal importance and improve their management
- Objective 3:** Increase the resilience of our natural environment by restoring degraded habitats and habitat creation
- Objective 4:** Tackle key pressures on species and habitats
- Objective 5:** Improve our evidence, understanding and monitoring
- Objective 6:** Put in place a framework of governance and support for delivery



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Grŵp	Disgrifiad o sefydliad mewn perthynas â bioamrywiaeth Sefydliadau:	Camau Gweithredu Sylfaenol	Enghreifftiau	Amcanion NRAP ar gyfer Adrodd ar gamau Gweithredu (Gweler Templedi)
1	- sy'n berchen neu'n meddiannu adeilad swyddfa yn unig - ac nad yw eu swyddogaethau'n gysylltiedig yn uniongyrchol â bioamrywiaeth a/neu reoli tir.	Camau sy'n gysylltiedig a rheoli adeiladau, caffael, cynaliadwyedd, codi ymwybyddiaeth, hyfforddiant, neu mewn partneriaeth â sefydliadau eraill.	Comisynau, DVLA	Amcanion NRAP: 1, 4, a 6
2	- sy'n berchen yn meddiannu neu'n rheoli eu adeiladau a'u tir eu hunain, - y mae eu swyddogaethau'n gysylltiedig a bioamrywiaeth a/neu reoli tir, neu - sy'n gallu dylanwadu ar y rhai sy'n berchen ar dir neu'n rheoli tir.	Fel Grŵp 1 uchod A rheoli tir, rhaeadru meini prawf cyllido, darparu addysg a hyfforddiant	Iechyd Cyhoeddus Cymru, Prifysgolion, Chwaraeon Cymru	Amcanion NRAP: 1, 4, a 6 <i>fel uchod</i> + Amcanion NRAP: 2, 3, a 5 <i>yn ymwneud â thir y sefydliad</i>
3	sy'n berchen ar dir neu'n rheoli tir y tu hwnt i'w tir eu hunain, waeth a yw eu swyddogaethau'n gysylltiedig â bioamrywiaeth a/neu reoli tir ai peidio.	Fel Grwpiau 1 a 2 uchod A rheoli tir er mwyn cynnal a gwella bioamrywiaeth, a hyrwyddo cydnheredd ecosystemau.	Dŵr Cymru, Awdurdodau Lleol, CNC, Llywodraeth Cymru	Holl amcanion NRAP: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 a 6

Mae **Cyllun Gweithredu Adfer Natur Cymru (NRAP)** yn gosod chwe amcan ar gyfer gwrthdroi dirywiad bioamrywiaeth a dylid eu defnyddio i helpu i ddatblygu ac arwain gweithredoedd i gydymffurfio â dyletswydd adran 6:

Y **6 amcan** i gynnal a gwella bioamrywiaeth yw:

- Amcan 1:** Ymgysylltu a chynorthwyo cyfranogi a dealltwriaeth er mwyn gwreiddio bioamrywiaeth ledled y penderfyniadau a wneir ar bob lefel
- Amcan 2:** Diogelu'r rhywogaethau a'r cynefinoedd pwysicaf, a gwella'r modd y'u rheolir
- Amcan 3:** Cynyddu cydnheredd ein hamgylchedd naturiol trwy adfer cynefinoedd a ddiraddiwyd, a chreu cynefinoedd
- Amcan 4:** Mynd i'r afael â'r pwysau allweddol sydd ar rywogaethau a chynefinoedd
- Amcan 5:** Gwella ein tystiolaeth, ein dealltwriaeth a'n systemau monitro
- Amcan 6:** Sefydlu fframwaith llywodraethu a chymorth ar gyfer cyflenwi

Arolwg o ddyletswydd Adran 6 2023 - 2025

Beth sydd wedi gweithio'n dda?	Cryfhau perthynas waith gyda'r Ymddiriedolaeth Natur mewn perthynas â chynnal a chadw cynefin gwenoliaid pwysig. Gweithio'n agosach gyda Wardeniaid Parc Eryi i reoli rhywogaethau anffordorol yn yr ardal. Cynnal blodau ar y Stryd Fawr i ddenu rhywogaethau peillwyr.
Beth fu'r rhwystrau?	Perthynas gyfyngedig rhwng Cyngor Tref Y Bala a Chyngor Gwynedd a Thimau Bioamrywiaeth Eryi.
Beth fyddwch yn ei newid?	Mae angen cryfhau'r cysylltiad rhwng Cyngor Gwynedd a thîm Bioamrywiaeth Eryi gyda Chyngor Tref Y Bala i hyrwyddo a chefnogi gweithgarwch a gynhelir yn yr ardal gan yr asiantaethau hyn.
Sut a phryd fydd y ddyletswydd Adran 6 yn cael ei monitro a'r cynllun Adran 6 wedi'i adolygu?	Monitro parhaus gan is-bwyllgor Bioamrywiaeth Cyngor Tref Y Bala

Adrodd ar Adran 6

Cynghorau Tref a Chynghorau Cymuned

Deddf yr Amgylchedd (Cymru) 2016 Rhan 1 – Adran 6
Y Ddyletswydd Bioamrywiaeth a Chydnerthedd Ecosystemau

Adroddiad 2025			
Ddyletswydd Bioamrywiaeth a Chydnerthedd Ecosystemau			
Enw y Cyngor Tref neu Gymuned:		Cyngor Tref y Bala	
Grŵp:		2	
Cyflwyniad a'r Cyd-destun: Mae gan Gyngor Tref y Bala gyfrifoldebau rheoli tir a thir cyfyngedig ar hyn o bryd, ond mae'n dechrau datblygu cynllun i gychwyn prosiectau tref ac i hyrwyddo a chysylltu prosiectau presennol yn lleol i wneud y mwyaf o'r effaith. Mae gan y Bala boblogaeth o tua 2000 o bobl sy'n gallu cymryd camau cadarnhaol dros fioamrywiaeth a gwytnwch. Mae'r ward yn cwmpasu 242 hectar ac mae ganddi boblogaeth gymharol ddwys.			
Adroddiad Gweithredu 2023 - 2025			
Amcan NRAP	Camau gweithredu i...		Wedi eu monitro gan:
1	-cynnwys bioamrywiaeth o fewn llunio penderfyniadau a chaffael	Cynnal a chadw torri glaswellt, nawr i gynnwys optimeiddio ar gyfer amrywiaeth o blanhigion e.e. Rhododendrons anfrodorol wedi'u symud o Tomen y Bala.	Is Bwyllgor Bioamrywiaeth
	-codi ymwybyddiaeth o fioamrywiaeth a'i bwysigrwydd	Prif dudalen Facebook y Cyngor ar gael ar gyfer hyrwyddo mentrau a gweithgareddau.	Is Bwyllgor Bioamrywiaeth
2	-diogelu prif rywogaethau a chynefinoedd	Gweithio gyda'r Ymddiriedolaeth Natur a'r RSPB i godi ymwybyddiaeth o drefedigaeth bwysig Swift y Bala a'i diogelu. 'Swift Half' yn siarad a cherdded i edrych ar ac addysgu pobl am y cynefin pwysig Swift yng nghanolfan y Bala. Ceisio ennill statws 'Cyfeillgar i wenyn' i'r Bala	Is Bwyllgor Bioamrywiaeth
3	-adfer & chreu cynefinoedd a rhwydweithiau ecolegol cydnerth	Cyswllt gyda Chyngor Gwynedd i archwilio rheoli ymylon ar gyfer bioamrywiaeth. Blychau blodau wedi'u gosod ar y stryd fawr 2025 a	Is Bwyllgor Bioamrywiaeth



		blychau ychwanegol a brynwyd ar gyfer tymor 2026	
4	-mynd i'r afael ag elfennau negyddol: lleihau llygredd e.e. defnyddio atebion yn seiliedig ar natur, mynd i'r afael â rhywogaethau goresgynnol	Dadansoddiad SWOT o faterion trefi a wnaed a bygythiadau ffactor negyddol wedi'u nodi – gweithio tuag at gynllun a rhyngweithio ag asiantaethau perthnasol eraill yn yr ardal ar y gweill Rhai rhywogaethau goresgynnol a reolir gan wasanaeth warden Parc Eryri. Siarad â'r tîm warden am sut y gallwn gefnogi eu gyrru gwirfoddolwyr.	Is Bwyllgor Bioamrywiaeth
5	-defnyddio gwella a rhannu tystiolaeth	Monitro gwenoliaid ar waith mewn cydweithrediad â'r Ymddiriedolaeth Bywyd Gwyllt . Data a thystiolaeth a rennir gyda'r cyngor a'r cyfranogwyr yn ystod y digwyddiad Swift Half	Is Bwyllgor Bioamrywiaeth
6	-cefnogi capasiti ac/neu sefydliadau eraill	Cysylltiad â'r asiantaethau canlynol :Ymddiriedolaethau Natur, RSPB, Gwasanaeth warden Parc Eryri , CNC, Cyngor Gwynedd , Clwb Rygbi, Cymdeithas Chwaraeon , Ysgol Godre'r Berwyn , Gerddi Cymunedol . Nododd eraill a byddant yn cysylltu â nhw am sylwadau a chmau gweithredu.	Is Bwyllgor Bioamrywiaeth