

Llangennith, Llanmadoc and Cheriton Community Council

Xmas Trees

Xmas trees for Burry Green, Llangennith and Llanmadoc were provided and created a wonderfully festive welcome as you entered the villages.

The community council is pleased to welcome Vicky Dickeson, Morgan Dickeson and Rob Lewis as Councillors.

Morgan said - *"Hello, I'm Morgan Dickeson, one of the newest members of your community council. I feel very fortunate to have lived in this area all my life. I truly value both the natural beauty around us and the strong sense of community that makes our villages so special."*

"I'm keen to play an active role in supporting our local area, whether that's helping to protect the environment, encouraging community projects, or simply lending a hand where it's needed. I believe that small contributions from many of us can make a big difference in keeping our parish vibrant and welcoming."

"I look forward to working alongside my fellow councillors and neighbours, listening to your thoughts and representing our community as best I can."

Events in Gower

Back in November a group of councillors from this and Llanrhidian Lower Community Council met with Swansea Council Tourism Team to discuss a range of topics with particular regard to the increase in large events and promotion of Gower as a tourist destination including:

- Protection of wildlife and the environment
- Protection of Gower's way of life
- Consideration of impact on local businesses
- Traffic management
- Investment in infrastructure to repair roads and maintain footpaths
- Access to toilets and similar welfare facilities
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Further meetings will be arranged in the future as and when needed. We will also look to collaborating with partners such as other community councils and conservation organisations such as the Gower Society.



Land Management (owned and leased by the Community Council)

Following a comprehensive tree survey, several areas have been identified that need some action. The trees around Llanmadoc Village Hall will be cut back within the next few weeks to create a necessary fire break and this will be followed by work at Burry Green triangle and other areas in Llanmadoc in the New Year. All tree work will be carried out sensitively and in line with our biodiversity policy which exists to promote and enhance biodiversity.

'No Parking' signs will be placed on the common land outside St Madoc's Church. This has become necessary due to car parking that has obstructed the landowner's access to fields. Parking is not allowed on common land.

Emergency Planning

In November we joined Rhossili ward's Emergency Planning event. Swansea Council's Emergency Planning Team (EPT) were invited to come along to tell us how they prepare for emergencies. This could be things like flooding, fires and major power outages. We were divided into groups and challenged to think about how we would react in an emergency. What would our initial priorities be and how would we communicate if there was no internet or phones? What would our plan be?

It was a lively and very well attended discussion and everyone showed huge enthusiasm for ideas that could be included in the plan. We learned a lot and it has motivated us to include an Emergency Plan in 2026/27. We hope to connect with, and learn more from, Rhossili, who are already making great progress in developing their plan.

Phone boxes

We are extremely pleased that the iconic red phone boxes at Landimore and Llanmadoc have been adopted by the community council. Residents are keen to put them to good use, to share books and seeds and disseminate information.

Website

We have made some small but necessary improvements to our website to allow for improved accessibility. A much bigger project of updating the website will take place in 2027, when we merge with Llandrhidian Lower Community Council and become Gower North. Any feedback on the current website would be greatly appreciated.

Digital Support Training Date February 2027

Our Local Area Co-ordinator and Age Cymru are offering a digital support initiative in the form of drop-in or workshop-style sessions across the Gower area. These sessions are offered free of charge and aim to empower individuals by building their digital skills in a supportive environment.

Examples of support offered include:

- Building confidence online
- Assistance with apps such as Ask My GP, NHS Wales, First Bus, WhatsApp, and more
- Guidance on using email (e.g., composing and sending messages)
- Online shopping tutorials
- Help with online banking
- Using Alexa for reminders (e.g., medication alerts)
- Support with smart TVs and other digital tools

If you or anyone you know would like to take part in these sessions, please call the clerk on 07789 176 371 or email the clerk at llangennithcommunitycouncil@gmail.com. We are

planning on organising the first one for the end of February.

Next Llangennith, Llanmadoc & Cheriton Community Council meeting date

We welcome residents to our meetings; we would love to see you there. At our next meeting on Wednesday 7th January, 7.30pm at Llangennith Parish Hall, we will be continuing the work on our Annual Plan and our objectives for 26/27. We will also be finalising the budget to support that.



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