

Banc y ddraenen – Capel Hendre, Llandybie SA18 3SR

Recommendations for park management changes to deliver biodiversity improvements and improved community asset following site visit carried out on 21.12.23



- A** Woodland and pasture management with some phased scrub clearance – Liaise with Carmarthenshire CC and the Marsh Fritillary project on potential meadow management for priority species. Pathways through area restored using clearance and mowing where appropriate.
- B** Community growing garden could be created here using a [Keep Wales Tidy development package](#). The existing willow tree (**b**) could be coppiced/removed/cut back to allow more space and light. The hard standing could be used for growing beds, tool store and greenhouse but consideration would be needed for ease of access. Some additional growing space could be created on the grass area alongside a possible native orchard (as shown).
- C** Native Heritage community orchard. Discuss with Carmarthenshire CC for possible funding. Another option is to apply for a [Keep Wales Tidy Orchard package](#).
- D** The sloping areas could continue to be managed as a Wildflower meadow or used for additional growing space in light of the increased meadow management elsewhere on site. If managed as wildflower area it is advised that the arisings be collected and deposited in the community garden composting bins.
- E** This whole area could be managed on a cut and collect twice per year where possible with a green mown pathway cut through every 2-3 weeks(?) to create a meadow trail and walking route for park users. All arisings must be collected and could be deposited on site in designated areas along the margins or used in the composting facility in the newly formed community garden.
- F** Sympathetic and phased and minor scrub clearance of Willow could be carried out here to create woodland margins and encourage wildflower growth. This would also open up some areas that are being used for anti-social behaviour and create an access to a woodland trail connecting to the larger area.
- G** New double hedge line of native broadleaf species such as crab apple, hazel, buckthorn, hawthorn, and wild privet could be created here, (appropriate species would need to be considered). This would increase connectivity across the site for biodiversity and create an aesthetically pleasing boundary. The species chosen would provide Spring and Autumn colour.
- H** Existing access here – May need to be widened or a new style gate installed to increase accessibility.
- I** Existing recreational areas.