

## Clerk's Report 19/06/2026

**To: Chair and Members of Council.**

### **(a) Parks.**

**(i) Saron and Capel Hendre 106. Still on the list of follow up with Carmarthenshire County Council.**

- 106 Monies for Saron Park £37,226,

**Update;** Blaenau Zip Wire is due to start 22<sup>nd</sup> of June and Penygroes soon after.

**Banc Y Ddraenen:** A meadow gate is currently in the process of being installed offering access from Waterloo Road, **this is currently with the contractor and behind schedule.**

### **(b) Footpaths. Outstanding items.**

**51/23 Cwmfferws:** Bridleway linking to the path horse riding is not permitted, the Clerk has Asked the County Council Team to investigating putting up signage to warn horse riders.

**No Update:** The Clerk has met with the Rights of Way team and they have asked highways for an update and this is expected to confirm that it is part of the bridleways that are currently being upgraded in the vicinity and will be part of a local signage project.

**51/23 Cwmfferws to Saron:** An outstanding item reported by Cllr N. C. Davies, the Clerk will now establish who the landowner is and meet with them to discuss repairing a fence overlooking the river.

**Update:** The Clerk has now passed the project on and is awaiting an update from the contractor **and the contractor is still having difficulty getting the landowner to get back to him.**

**Five Footpath enquiries around Wern Ddu and Heol Ddu:** The County Council have now issued summonses to landowners concerned to unblock and clear necessary obstacles; the Clerk will monitor the progress.

**Update;** the current position on the above walks is that all works have been completed except 51/101 where work is underway to complete bridging and 51/114 where the Clerk has received correspondence from the Brecon Beacons National Park that an application has been submitted to re route the path past a pond, the Clerk responded positively and he hopes this will be reinstated in the coming months.

**Update:** The position remains the same.

**51/80 Cilyrychen Llandybie:** This has been reported by Betws Wanderers Walking Group and the stiles and fences are in urgent need of repair and replacement; this has now been added to the work schedule of Carmarthenshire's RoW Team.

**51/96 and 51/97 Llangwyddfán, Llandybie:** The above-mentioned walking group have also reported slurry blocking the path and this has also been added to the RoW work schedule, they are due to write to the landowner.

**Update;** Work is underway at this location by the RoW legal team to reroute the path on a more accessible route avoiding a cesspit.

**51/75 Aberlath, Bridge:** The work to make a replacement is underway the Clerk is waiting for date for completion from Carmarthenshire RoW team.

**51/102; Wern Ddu Road to Glynhir Falls:** The Clerk walked this path with a RoW officer and has asked that tied gates and other obstacles and foliage be cleared by the RoW and our own contractor.

### **(c) Heating System at Bowls and Tennis Pavilion and other grants for greener energy solutions.**

The Clerk has drawn up formal specification and is currently seeking 3 quotes from suitable contractors.

A grant has now been earmarked, subject to three quotations for £15,000 towards the heating system. **However, the Egin team in Cardiff have informed him that the threshold has increase to £35,000**

### **(d) Betws Wind Farm fund open from April 2026 and other funding.**

The Clerk is now looking at the following projects.

- Rights of Way signage that links the 120 footpaths to online maps and apps in response to previous discussion on having regional 'flyers' for walkers.

**Update;** The Clerk is working on a specification

- LED Floodlights at Llandybie.

**Update:** The Clerk has put in an Expression of Interest in for a new grant 'Community renewal energy fund' released by Carmarthenshire County Council, the panel meets on the 28<sup>th</sup> of May.

**Update;** The Clerk is waiting for a reply but has also been assigned the services of a specialist

### **(e) Upgrade works in parks;**

- Upgrade of equipment at Saron Park; Weeding work and a picnic bench and a seating bench.
- Upgrade of equipment at Derwydd Park; That are a few pieces of equipment that need repair works that were identified in last weeks annual inspection.

**Update:** The Clerk is currently meeting suppliers and interested groups to cost up these projects.

**(f) Update on lease to Saron Juniors Football Club**

The Clerk has received a draft proposal of the lease which is now with Chris Worrell or Solicitor at CCW Law.

**(g) Saron Park area Flooding.**

The Clerk has had numerous complaints about flooded gardens at the lane along Saron Juniors Football Pitch and Siddels Environmental Services were engaged by the Clerk in January to clear blocked drains and then unblock a sump on the bottom piece of land, it transpires that the culvert/ditch is blocked. The Clerk is seeking professional advice on which to seek a solution and a costing.

**Update:** The Clerk is seeking legal advice on rerouting the water course.

**(h) Quarterly Newsletter.**

This is currently at draft stage and will be released in June, the Clerk will look to present at the meeting.

- (i) **Report on future staffing vision;** The Clerk has sent a copy of the report he has prepared for consideration to the Chair and V. Chair; he has recommended meeting with them to discuss the report and present during July 2026 to Council.
- (j) **The new website:** The Clerk has produced a draft specification for initial consultation with the Chair.

Dai Nicholas – Clerk

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