## **Llantrisant Fawr Community Council Biodiversity Policy**

The Council has a duty, under Section 6 of the Environment Wales Act 2016 to contribute positively to maintaining and enhancing biodiversity.

The Council are a small authority with no land holdings or responsibility for land. It owns several bus shelters, a phone kiosk, several notice boards and a couple of benches.

On 20th February 2024, Llantrisant Fawr Community Council agreed the following plan to support and enhance Bio Diversity.

- a) To further support the Llangwm Village Scheme by providing plants to encourage much needed sources of foods for pollinators.
- b) To identify pockets of land which might be enhanced by wildflowers/seeds and by leaving some grassy areas uncut to promote this.
- c) To consider the placing of bird and bat boxes and to invest and support in the installation of Swallow Nesting boxes to help with the declining bird population.
- d) To encourage Community members to litter pick their Hedgerows
- e) To encourage and spread information locally using social media, email and the Council Website to raise general as well as location specific awareness of measures or changes that the public might see in the name of biodiversity.
- f) Whilst the Council does not have responsibility for churchyards, to make maintenance grants conditional on church councils, by encouraging biodiversity in the churchyards with the introduction of green compost bins.
- g) To ensure that the maintenance and enhancement of biodiversity is embedded into any community engagement project the council undertakes in 2024-25.