

**CYNGOR CYMUNED**  
**YNYSYBWL & COED-Y-CWM**  
**COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

**POLICY OF THE COUNCIL**

- 1 To act as a representative body for all the citizens of the Community
- 2 To speak on behalf of the Community to the Government and European Community
- 3 To ensure that the needs of the Community and its people are taken into account whenever and wherever decisions affecting them are made
- 4 To develop and maintain contacts and links with representatives and political bodies elsewhere in Europe
- 5 To improve opportunities for all to participate in a democratic process
- 6 To inform the public of the council's service provisions
- 7 To analyse and improve the role of public service
- 8 To seek to ensure the continuation of a strong and effective Local Government
- 9 To protect and advance the living standards of all people, and families in the Community
- 10 To work with new and existing partners in the private and public sector
- 11 To meet the anticipated needs of a change in population
- 12 To ensure that the interests of the people of the Community are represented at national and international levels
- 13 To promote the Community as a tourist destination
- 14 To seek improvements to the transport facilities and infrastructure to satisfy the needs of residents, businesses and visitors
- 15 To raise awareness of European issues
- 16 To help maximise the benefits which can accrue from the European Communities financial programmes of assistance
- 17 To create and develop cultural, economic, sporting, educational and social links with our European partners
- 18 To press for improved transport links with mainland Europe
- 19 To improve access to the countryside for all
- 20 To improve and protect the environmental quality of the urban and rural heritage around Ynysybwl and Coed-y-Cwm
- 21 To help to create a safe living environment and reduce accidents
- 22 To improve usage of advice facilities
- 23 To lead and support initiative to reduce crime
- 24 To research and promote Ynysybwl and Coed-y-Cwm heritage for the benefit of all
- 25 To ensure that everyone has equality of access to the benefits of all the Council's services
- 26 To improve the recognition of the diversity of the people of Ynysybwl and Coed-y-Cwm in terms of sex, religion, sexual orientation, race and national origin
- 27 To offer opportunity and support over and above the Council's statutory duties
- 28 To develop programmes which seek to redress disadvantage and discrimination
- 29 To ensure that the Council's own staffing reflects the gender and culture of the people of Ynysybwl and Coed-y-Cwm
- 30 To ensure that there is a dialogue with its customers about the services provided

- 31 To promote the Council's reputation and its place in the democratic process
- 32 To develop effective policies in order to achieve recognition by the public, employees, suppliers and the Government that it is a quality organisation providing services which are responsive, effective, sensitive and efficient
- 33 To maintain and evaluate standards and safeguard the quality of services wherever the Council has influence and responsibility
- 34 To lead by example in satisfying or exceeding national or international standards relating to care for the environment and the conservation of natural resources
- 35 To consider and monitor the environmental impact of its policies and practices, reducing adverse effect wherever possible
- 36 To increase public awareness and understanding of the environmental issues and responsibilities
- 37 To promote the greater use of public transport and reduction in the overall volume of traffic within the Community
- 38 To reduce energy consumption in all areas of its activities
- 39 To behave responsibly as a consumer, by using environmentally sound products wherever possible
- 40 To encourage the development of recycling initiative
- 41 To lobby and pressurise for effective legislation and action to protect the environment at local, nation and global levels
- 42 To implement improved arrangement for delivering quality services and making them more locally accessible and responsive
- 43 To improving internal and external communication
- 44 To developing the skills management abilities of its workforce to improve productivity
- 45 To improve the Council's forward planning, budgeting and financial systems
- 46 To maximise benefits from the Council's resources: people, buildings, money, land information

#### **AIMS AND OBJECTIVES**

Each individual Committee of the Community Council will contribute to the wider corporate strategies and aims as set out in the policy statement

The individual Committees aims and objectives will be used to form the basis of performance target for Officers and services which they are responsible for