



TOWYN & KINMEL BAY TOWN COUNCIL ANNUAL REPORT 2025-2026



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2025-2026**

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**WELCOME BY THE 2025-26 MAYOR
COUNCILLOR DEBORAH MULVANEY**

Welcome to the Towyn and Kinmel Bay Town Council Annual Report for 2025-26.

This report is designed to share the work and achievements of your Town Council over the past year, reflecting our commitment to openness, transparency, and serving our community.

It has been a true honour to serve as Mayor over the past twelve months. This year has been filled with meaningful projects, memorable events, and a wonderful sense of community spirit.

Throughout 2025–26, the Council has continued to work hard to support local residents, improve our area, and bring people together. Although challenges remain, we have stayed focused on what matters most supporting our community and helping Towyn and Kinmel Bay continue to be a welcoming and positive place to live, work, and visit.

It has been fantastic to see so many organisations and partners working together over the year. Our strong links with local schools, community groups, North Wales Police, Conwy County Borough Council continue to make a real difference and help deliver positive outcomes for our area.

We have also enjoyed a wide range of community events throughout the year, bringing people of all ages together. A particular highlight was the Senior Christmas Parties, which were great success and brought so much joy to our older residents. It has also been a privilege to attend and support many memorial services and civic events during the year, which are always important moments for reflection and community togetherness.

There have been many improvements across our parks, lighting, and public spaces, helping to make them safer, more accessible, and more enjoyable for everyone. We have also continued to improve how we communicate with residents through newsletters and online updates, making it easier for people to stay informed and involved.

Sustainability has remained an important focus, with initiatives such as repair cafés, swap shops, and the use of recycled materials helping us to reduce waste and care for our environment.

Finally, I would like to give a sincere thank you to our office staff and my fellow Councillors. The dedication and hard work of our office team is especially appreciated, and their support behind the scenes ensures everything runs smoothly and allows us to deliver for our community. I am also very grateful to everyone who helps organise and support our events throughout the year.

It has been an honour to serve as Mayor and to represent such a strong and caring community. I look forward to seeing the continued progress of Towyn and Kinmel Bay in the year ahead.

With warmest regards,

Cllr Deborah Mulvaney

Mayor of Towyn and Kinmel Bay

2025-26

SECTION 1 – INTRODUCTION

This annual report sets out to inform the residents of Towyn and Kinmel Bay about the activities undertaken by the Town Council during the period May 2025 to April 2026. This report will contain a brief outline of the structure of the Council, an overview of the Council's activities throughout the last twelve months and a financial summary. The report also includes details of all the Town Councillors/County Borough Councillors, members of staff and how to contact the Council.

Wales faces a number of significant challenges today and in the future, including climate change, poverty, health inequalities, food insecurity, the cost-of-living crisis, and the need for sustainable jobs and economic growth. Tackling these issues requires a shared effort to ensure a good quality of life for both current and future generations. It is vital that we take a long-term view, carefully considering the lasting impact of the decisions we make today.

Included within this report is the Town Council's 2025-26 Well-being of Future Generations Report. This report is a statutory requirement under the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015, which sets out a legally binding common purpose through seven national well-being goals. These goals guide the actions of national and local government, local health boards, and other specified public bodies. The report outlines how these bodies must work individually and collaboratively to improve the well-being of people and communities across Wales.

This report outlines how Towyn and Kinmel Bay Town Council has contributed to achieving the seven well-being goals for the community of Towyn and Kinmel Bay. The report covers the municipal year from May 2025 to April 2026, during the Chairmanship of Councillor Deborah Mulvaney.

SECTION 2 – TOWYN & KINMEL BAY TOWN COUNCIL

Towyn and Kinmel Bay Town Council was formed in May 1983, following the re-organisation of local government and the disbanding of Abergele District Urban Council.

The Town Council comprises of three electoral wards of Kinmel Bay 1, Kinmel Bay 2 and Towyn. There are currently 15 Town Councillors, of which 4 are also Conwy County Borough Councillors, representing a population of approximately 8500, and some 50,000 plus visitors in the summer season. Individual Councillor details are listed on Page 26-27.

The Council is led by the Chairman, who is elected annually from among the serving Councillors. The current Chairman for 2025-26 is Councillor Deborah Mulvaney, a resident of Towyn. The Vice Chairman for the same term is Councillor Tony Bibby, a resident of Kinmel Bay.

Towyn and Kinmel Bay Town Council usually meets once or twice per month. Meetings take place at the Community Resource Centre, The Square, Off Foryd Road, Kinmel Bay, Conwy, LL18 5BT. All formal Town Council meetings are held in a hybrid format, allowing both in-person attendance and remote access. For details of the 2026-27 meeting schedule, please refer to Page 28 of the Appendices.

The Council's main duties include:

- Providing financial and administrative support in respect of all service delivered by the Town Council.
- Management and maintenance of the council office located at The Square, Off Foryd Road, Kinmel Bay, Conwy, LL18 5BB.
- Management and maintenance of Chester Avenue Community Woodland, Community Garden at Owain Glyndwr and Fordd Y Berllan Playing Field in Towyn.
- Ground Maintenance – Various sites within the Towyn and Kinmel Bay area.
- Maintenance of various planters throughout the community.
- Maintenance of various benches and picnic benches within Towyn and Kinmel Bay.
- Maintenance of 6 Community Bus Shelters in the Towyn and Kinmel Bay area.

- Managing bookings and diary for events held by residents and community groups at the Kinmel Bay Community Centre. This also includes support with invoicing and banking (undertaken F.O.C. as a Community Service).
- TKBTC staff undertake/manage the cleaning and the provision of cleaning materials for the Community Centre (recharged quarterly to Kinmel Bay Community Centre).
- Custodians of the War Memorial (St Mary's Church).
- Installation each year of Christmas lighting and Christmas trees in Towyn and Kinmel Bay.
- A Two-yearly Community Awards Event.
- Provide support to local community groups via grants.
- Provide Community Support for Kinmel Bay Church Food Bank.
- Maintain, manage and replenish the consumables for 15 Community Defibrillators located throughout Towyn and Kinmel Bay.
- Provide financial support to Kinmel Bay Library to help maintain the library service.

TKBTC has representatives on numerous community bodies within Towyn and Kinmel Bay, and the Town Council has strong links with its two primary schools (Ysgol Maes Owen and Ysgol Y Foryd).

The Community Council has looked to invest in more efficient and environmentally friendly use of energy sources during recent years which has resulted in a reduced carbon footprint and energy costs.

Examples

- The Town Council continues to reduce its environmental impact by promoting digital working practices. Wherever possible, documentation is stored and shared electronically, reducing the need for printed materials. This approach improves efficiency, reduces paper waste, and supports more sustainable ways of working across the organisation.
- The Council has modernised its lighting provision across public spaces by replacing traditional fittings with energy-efficient LED technology. This includes Christmas lighting displays and

street furniture lighting, which use significantly less energy while improving visibility and safety.

- The Council has invested in sustainable materials for public infrastructure, including benches and picnic furniture made from recycled UPVC plastic. This reduces demand for new raw materials and supports a circular economy approach.

SECTION 3 – FINANICAL SUMMARY

2025-26 FINANCIAL SUMMARY

The Town Council's Total Expenditure was **£328,141** in **2025-26**. The Council's Precept was **£322,646**, and with further money generated via Grants of **£32,020** (Solar Farm Grant of **£14,721** & UKSPF Community Regeneration Key Fund Grants of **£16,882** & Other Grants of **£417**), together with additional income of **£16,598** raised from the provision of a range of services, including recharges, room bookings and the rent, the Total Income for **2025-26** was **£371,264**.

A summary of the main areas of the Expenditure for **2025-26** are shown below:

<u>HEADINGS</u>	<u>EXPENDITURE</u>
Administration Expenditure, including Staff Costs	£180,638
Civic Expenditure	£7,900
Resource Centre Expenditure	£27,791
Ground Maintenance Expenditure	£17,116
Kinmel Bay Community Centre Expenditure (Re-charged to the KB Comm Centre Management Committee).	£7,877
Grants & Play Scheme Expenditure	£12,230
Christmas Lights Expenditure	£23,030
Community Projects Expenditure	£29,861
Project Expenditure (Mainly funded by External Grants awarded).	£21,697
** Round Up Adjustment	£1
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	£328,141
**The Accounting Software rounds up/down figures, which often results in a £1.00 anomaly in the figures.	

The above figures are as of 31st March, 2026, and have been approved by the Members at the Full Town Council Meeting on Monday 20th April, 2026.

2026-27 FINANCIAL SUMMARY

The Town Council has an Expenditure Budget of **£355,309** for the forthcoming financial year (**2026-27**). The Council's Precept has been set at **£326,722** with further money generated via a Solar Farm Grant of **£13,000**, together with income of **£15,658** raised from the provision of a range of services, including recharges, room bookings and the rent.

A summary of the main areas of the budget expenditure for **2026-27** are shown below:

<u>HEADINGS</u>	<u>EXPENDITURE</u>
Administration Expenditure, including Staff Costs	£184,022
Civic Expenditure	£19,955
Resource Centre Expenditure	£34,300
Ground Maintenance Expenditure	£22,500
Kinmel Bay Community Centre Expenditure (Re-charged to the KB Comm Centre Management Committee).	£8,698
Grants & Play Scheme Expenditure	£12,500
Christmas Lights Expenditure	£11,000
Community Projects Expenditure	£62,334
TOTALS	<u>£355,309</u>

The Total Income for the financial year is set at **£355,380 (Including the Precept of £326,722)**.

(The above figures are as of 8th January 2026, which is the date the 2026-27 Precept figure was approved by the TKBTC Full Council).

The Town Council is subject to internal and external audits each year, to ensure that we manage public finances appropriately. The Council has achieved clear audits for a number of years, which demonstrates sound management and financial systems.

SECTION 4 – PURPOSE AND AIMS

Mission Statement

To work with the community to create an inclusive, healthy, thriving and sustainable environment for and on behalf of the residents and visitors of Towyn and Kinmel Bay.

Purpose

- To represent the community views.
- To actively work with the community to deliver agreed projects.
- To engage with the communities of Towyn and Kinmel Bay and proactively focus on achieving goals and aims.

Aims

- To promote a balanced and thriving community.
- To develop and maintain the public infrastructure to improve community appearance and encourage continued development.
- To support the resident's wellbeing, health, safety and education.
- To establish good working relationships with all other bodies, including private, public voluntary and community organisations.
- To listen to and to value the opinions of the communities which we serve, thus enabling residents to be involved in decision making and future development plans which will affect their environment or lives.
- To keep residents informed about the work undertaken by the Town Council, regarding local issues.
- To be open and transparent in all aspects of its operation.
- To achieve the best financial value in the provision of high-quality amenities and services for residents.
- To work with third party organisations to protect the natural environment and local heritage and continue the enhancement of rural habitats.



Towyn & Kinmel Bay Town Council

2025-26 Well-being of Future Generations Report

Approved by TKBTC at Full Council Meeting held on 20/04/2026 - Agenda Item 26.

About this Report

Welcome to Towyn and Kinmel Bay Town Council's Annual Report for 2025/26. This report outlines how the Town Council is striving to provide and improve services that are compliant with the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015.

The Well-being of Future Generations Act 2015 is about improving the social, economic, environmental and cultural well-being of Wales. The Act places a duty on certain Community and Town Councils, to take all reasonable steps in meeting the local objectives included in the local well-being plan. It gives a legally binding common purpose – the seven well-being goals- for National Government, Local Government, Health Boards and other specific public bodies. It details the ways in which specified public bodies work, and work together to improve the wellbeing of Wales.

The Town Council are also required to comply with the Conwy and Denbighshire Public Services Board (PSB) Well-being Plan 2023 - 2028. This plan focuses on 4 priority area to make Conwy and Denbighshire a more equal place with less deprivation:

Well- Being - Communities are happier, healthier & more resilient in the face of challenges, such as Climate Change and Nature Emergency, or the rising cost of living.

Economy - There is a flourishing economy, supported by skilled workforce for the future.

Equality - Those with protected characteristics face fewer barriers.

Housing - There is improved access to good quality housing.

The aim of this report is to give a brief overview of what we have achieved and how TKBTC are making a difference in line with the 9 ways of working and to outline our future direction.

- Leadership:** Provide strong shared leadership and responsibility for effective long-term change, using our collective voice as partners to influence and advocate on behalf of our communities.
- Co-production:** Foster an environment, and encourage strong networks, that promote meaningful engagement and communication with our communities, supporting a culture where co-production and involvement thrives.
- Fairness:** Promote fairness, equality and diversity through all our work.
- Informed decision-making:** Maintain effective governance that allows for strong, evidence-based decision making, acting on recommendations made through quality research and engagement.
- Transparency:** Have clear and transparent performance management arrangements in place.

- Assess:** Ensure that our activities and decisions are assessed for their impact in terms of the national Well-being Goals, the sustainable development principle, and five ways of working. This includes taking account of short and long-term needs, applying 'Futures Thinking' to identify and address root causes of the issues that we face, and preventing, rather than reacting to, high risk events wherever possible.

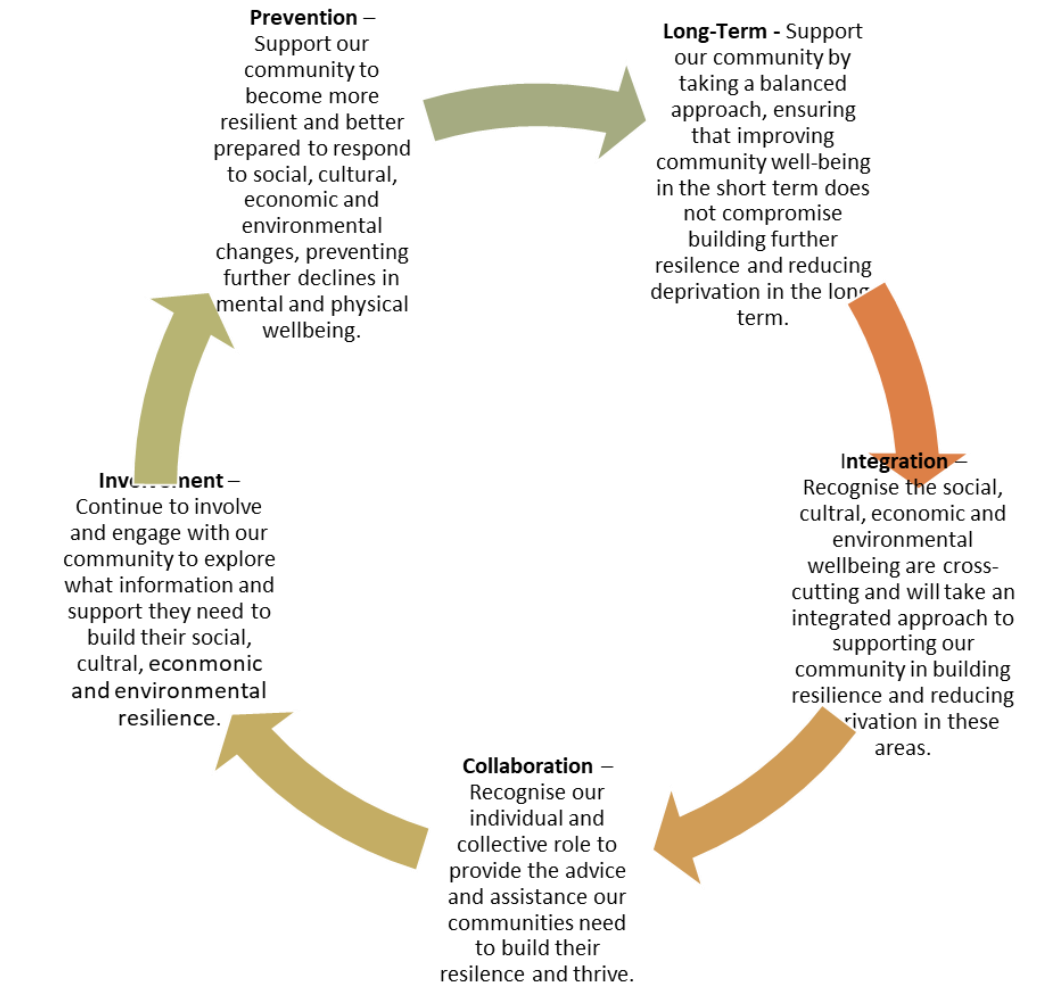
- Reflect:** Use the advice given by the office of the Well-being of Future Generation's Commissioner, Natural Resources Wales and others to focus our discussions as we take forward our steps.

- Development:** Explore and support joint opportunities for training and workforce development, such as secondment opportunities between our organisations.

- Language:** Support and promote the Welsh Language in all that we do, integrating the Welsh Language strategies of partners.

We will apply these nine principles to all our work as we take forward the steps that we have identified in support of our objective to make **Denbighshire and Conwy a more equal place with less deprivation**. These are things that we can do collectively over and above the existing roles and responsibilities of our individual members, and they will help us to define our actions and structure the detailed planning that will support this Plan's implementation. They will also help us to hold ourselves to account by monitoring and measuring our progress and success.

A further aim of this report is to give a brief overview of how we will apply the 5 ways of working to maximise our contribution to the Well-being Goals.



The Seven Wellbeing goals for Wales

The Wellbeing of Future Generations Act 2015 outlines seven wellbeing goals which need to be considered when drawing up local objectives. A description of each wellbeing goal and the issues identified within the theme is provided below. All the issues identified in this needs Analysis are cross-cutting and impact on more than one of these spheres of wellbeing.

PROSPEROUS	RESILIENT	HEALTHIER	MORE EQUAL	COHESIVE COMMUNITIES	VIBRANT CULTURE AND THRIVING WELSH COMMUNITIES	GLOBALLY RESPONSIVE
• An innovative, productive and low carbon society which recognises the limit of the global environment and therefore uses resources efficiently and proportionately (including acting on climate change); and which develops a skilled and well-educated population in an economy which generates wealth and provides employment opportunities, allowing people to take advantage of the wealth generated through securing decent work	• A nation which maintains and enhances a biodiverse natural environment with health functioning eco systems that support social, economic and ecological resilience and the capacity to adapt to change (eg. Climate change)	• A society in which peoples physical and mental wellbeing is maximised, and in which choices and behaviours that benefit future health are understood.	• A society that enables people to fulfil their potential no matter what their background or circumstance (including socio-economic background and circumstances)	• Attractive, viable safe and well- connected communities	• A society that promotes and protects culture, heritage and the Welsh language, and which encourages people to participate in the arts, sports and recreation	• A nation which, when doing anything to improve the economic, social, environmental and cultural wellbeing of Wales, takes account of whether doing such a thing may make a positive contribution to global wellbeing.

Prosperous - An innovative, productive and low carbon society which recognises the limit of the global environment and therefore uses resources efficiently and proportionately including acting on climate change); and which develops a skilled and well-educated population in an economy which generates wealth and provides employment opportunities, allowing people to take advantage of the wealth generated through securing decent work

Resilient – A nation which maintains and enhances a biodiverse natural environment with health functioning eco systems that support social, economic and ecological resilience and the capacity to adapt to change (e.g. Climate change)

Healthier – A society in which peoples physical and mental wellbeing is maximised and in which choices and behaviours that benefit future health are understood.

More Equal – A society that enables people to fulfil their potential no matter what their background or circumstance (including socio-economic background and circumstances)

Cohesive communities- Attractive, viable safe and well- connected communities

Vibrant culture and thriving Welsh language – A society that promotes and protects culture, heritage and the Welsh language, and which encourages people to participate in the arts, sports and recreation

Globally responsive – A nation which, when doing anything to improve the economic, social, environmental and cultural well-being of Wales, takes account of whether doing such a thing may make a positive contribution to global wellbeing.

The challenge for the Local Council is to demonstrate how it can make a positive contribution to these priority areas, given that the objectives are strategically determined and of more relevance, to larger statutory bodies who can more effectively influence their progress. All Local Councils have their own local priorities, which are important to their own communities, and our ethos has been to work cohesively to support projects that make a meaningful contribution to the community and PSB plan.

Matrix showing cross-cutting themes

Some of the activities of Towyn and Kinmel Bay Town Council towards the wellbeing goals are cross cutting and impact on more than one of these spheres of well-being. The grids below give an interpretation of how each contribution might fit within the list of goals.

PROSPEROUS		RESILIENT	HEALTHIER	MORE EQUAL	COHESIVE	CULTURE	GLOBALLY RESPONSIVE
1	Community Support Contribution						
2	First Response Engagement (Defibrillators)						
3	Community Library support						
4	Local Grant Scheme						
5	Community Awards						
6	Green Infrastructure						
7	Climate Change – (Solar lighting)						
8	Speed Sensing Signs						
9	Tir Prince Park Projects						
10	Community Centre Support						
11	Community Planting Scheme						
12	Crime Prevention and Reduction						
13	Community Planter Project						
14	Town Christmas Project						
15	Community Place Plan						
16	Community Litter Pick Days						
17	Ground Maintenance						
18	Flagpole						
19	Bus Shelters						
20	Goal Posts						
21	Flood mitigation support						
22	Sea Defence Improvements						
23	Community Engagement/Fundraising						
24	Digital Engagement						
25	Conwy CBC support						
26	Staff and Councillor Training						

Context supporting Matrix

1. Community Support Contribution

TKBTC has continued to strengthen its connection with the local community, recognising the ongoing financial and social challenges faced by residents and visitors. In response to increased demand for essential support services, particularly the Kinmel Bay Church Foodbank, the Council has taken proactive steps to support those most in need.

During 2025–26, the Town Council awarded a donation of £2,414.91 to Kinmel Bay Church Foodbank towards the purchase of food and essential provisions, helping to sustain this important community resource.

2. First Response Engagement

TKBTC remains dedicated to protecting the health and safety of both residents and visitors through the ongoing upkeep of 15 community defibrillators across the area. This includes regular maintenance checks and the replacement of essential consumables to ensure each unit is fully operational when needed.

These devices play a vital role in responding to medical emergencies and are strategically located to be easily accessible. A full list of defibrillator locations is available on the Town Council's website, enabling individuals to quickly identify their nearest unit.

3. Community Library

The Community Library is a vital service for local residents and visitors. It is staffed by a part-time CCBC employee and supported by a dedicated team of volunteers, the Friends of Kinmel Bay Community Library. Towyn and Kinmel Bay Town Council contributes £3,000 per annum towards the salary of the CCBC staff member to help sustain and maintain the library service and ensure its continued operation.

4. Local Grant Scheme

During 2025-26 TKBTC awarded grants totalling £9,905 to local organisations and school PTA's.

The Town Council contributed £2,325 towards Conwy CBC summer play events at various parks in Towyn and Kinmel Bay in 2025-26.

5. Community Awards Scheme

The Community Awards Scheme recognises individuals/groups/businesses who have contributed and/or made a positive impact within the community.

6. Green Infrastructure

TKBTC was awarded a UK Prosperity grant in February 2024 to transform the abandoned play area at Owain Glyndŵr Estate into a vibrant community garden. The garden is open for public use, providing a shared green space for residents and visitors and visitors to enjoy.

TKBTC has continued discussions with Conwy CCBC & the Welsh Government regarding the WG land at Parc Hanes being an area of natural space.

7. Climate Change

In 2025, Towyn and Kinmel Bay Town Council successfully secured two UK Shared Prosperity Fund grants. These funded the installation of an accessible pathway and six LED solar lights at Clwyd Park, along with a further nine LED solar lights at Ffordd y Berllan Field. In addition, the Town Council funded the installation of 10 LED solar lights at Sandy Cove.

These improvements have created safer, well-lit spaces for residents and visitors to enjoy, improving accessibility and encouraging greater use of local green spaces. In addition, most benches and all picnic benches installed by TKBTC are manufactured from recycled UPVC plastic, supporting the Council's ongoing commitment to sustainability and environmentally responsible procurement.

8. Speed Warning Signs

TKBTC continues to support Conwy CBC by funding the procurement and installation of additional speed signage in locations where they were identified as necessary.

9. Tir Prince Park Projects

The Town Council continues to maintain the two fountains in Tir Prince Park, the fountains have been extremely well received and are popular with residents and visitors alike. There has been a significant increase in pond life due to cleaner water and improved oxygenation.

TKBTC continues to maintain the natural waterways within the park, which includes the scraping back of the banks, the unblocking of the Tir Prince Park Pond, and the removal of rubbish and excess/overgrown algae & reeds.

10. Community Centre Support

To support the Community Centre's administration, TKBTC continues to manage the bookings diary for events hosted by residents, visitors, and community groups. This includes assistance with invoicing and banking, provided free of charge as a community service.

TKBTC staff also manage the cleaning arrangements for the Community Centre and supply cleaning materials, with costs recharged to Kinmel Bay Community Centre on a quarterly basis.

11. Community Planting Scheme

During 2025–26, TKBTC has continued to maintain the trees across Towyn and Kinmel Bay, including at Owain Glyndŵr Estate, St Asaph Avenue, Foryd Road, Clwyd Park, and the Owain Glyndŵr Community Garden. This ongoing maintenance helps to ensure these green spaces remain safe, healthy, and well cared for, supporting both the local environment and community wellbeing.

12. Crime Prevention and Reduction

TKBTC contribute towards the running costs of the three Conwy County Borough Council CCTV cameras which are located within Towyn and Kinmel Bay.

TKBTC have several CCTV cameras to protect both the Community Resource Centre and the Kinmel Bay Community Centre.

TKBTC are members of North Wales Community Alert.

13. Community Planter Project

During 2025–26, TKBTC removed a number of planters and relocated them to local primary schools and to the area outside the Community Centre. This was done to ensure they could be properly watered and maintained, giving the flowers the best possible chance to thrive and grow. These planters feature carefully selected wildlife-friendly plants that support pollinators and enhance the local environment. The Councillors maintain the planters year-round, ensuring they remain vibrant and well-kept.

14. Town Christmas Project

TKBTC take pleasure to source and install the annual Christmas Trees and festive lighting for both Kinmel Bay and Towyn. During 2025–26, TKBTC continued to invest in and improve the town's festive lighting infrastructure by purchasing 72 pre loved Christmas light motifs. The Christmas trees are in prominent positions in each town, and the Christmas motif lighting stretches approximately 3 miles through both Towyn and Kinmel Bay.

15. Community Place Plan

The Towyn and Kinmel Bay Community Place Plan was formally adopted as Supplementary Planning Guidance by Conwy CBC Cabinet on 22 August 2023. It is the first Community Place Plan within Conwy CBC to be adopted as Supplementary Planning Guidance. The Community Place Plan Committee meets on a quarterly basis to review progress and support the ongoing delivery of the plan's objectives.

16. Community Litter Pick Days

TKBTC's community litter-picking equipment (including litter tongs, bags, bag hoops, high-visibility vests, and gloves) continues to be widely used by local schools, groups, organisations, and individuals for organised litter-picking activities. This initiative has helped encourage community involvement and foster a renewed sense of

pride in the local area. TKBTC also maintains strong links and working relationships with Keep Wales Tidy representatives to support ongoing environmental improvement initiatives.

17. Ground Maintenance

TKBTC continues to be responsible for the ground maintenance at Chester Avenue Woodland and Ffordd Y Berllan Playing Field. The Town Council financially supports and organises schemes of work at these locations, including planting, accessibility, clearing and general maintenance of any relevant gates, fencing etc. Also grass cutting initiatives in various locations within Towyn and Kinmel Bay.

18. Flagpole

TKBTC flagpole continues to be used to commemorate/ acknowledge/ celebrate important dates (such as St David's Day and Remembrance Day).

19. Bus Shelters

TKBTC continues to be responsible for covering the ongoing costs of maintaining and cleaning six Community Bus Shelters in the Towyn and Kinmel Bay area. These community bus shelters would have been removed by CCBC, if the Town Council had not agreed to take over the financial and maintenance responsibilities. The shelters are located at the following locations: - Kinmel Bay Community Centre, Chester Avenue and 4 x Towyn Road (outside Palins Caravan Park, Seagull Pub, The Wendover Pub and opposite Palins Caravan Park).

20. Goal Posts

TKBTC continues to maintain the goal posts at Tir Prince Park & Ffordd Y Berllan Playing field, to promote sport and wellbeing for our younger residents and visitors.

21. Flood Mitigation Support

TKBTC has worked closely with Conwy CBC and Natural Resources Wales (NRW) in response to the Inland and road flooding in Towyn over the past few years.

22. Sea Defence Improvement Support

TKBTC has been actively involved in supporting Conwy CBC with the ongoing sea defence improvement works that started in 2024. As part of this collaboration, public consultations have been held at the Resource Centre to keep the community informed and gather feedback. Additionally, members of the Town Council attend frequent site meetings to stay updated on the project's progress, ensuring that residents and visitors' concerns are addressed and that the works are carried out effectively to improve sea defences and protect the area from flooding risks.

23. Community Engagement

TKBTC has continued to support a wide range of community events and partnership initiatives throughout 2025–26, working closely with North Wales Police, Asda, and Y Morfa Leisure Centre to help deliver children's parties and family-focused activities, including Summer, Easter, Christmas, and Halloween events, as well as craft and bouncy castle days, 999 community safety events, ASB awareness sessions, and football activities. These events play an important role in bringing the community together and supporting positive engagement for residents of all ages.

The Senior Christmas project was again a great success in December 2025, with the Town Council hosting two Christmas parties for Senior residents at the Kinmel Bay Sports & Social Club and Browns Social Club, Towyn. In addition, the Mayor visited local nursing and residential homes to present residents and staff with Christmas chocolates and biscuits.

As well as celebrating our Senior residents the Town Council held its first Christmas Swap shop where residents brought along items they no longer needed and exchanged them for other pre-loved items which helped strengthen community sharing and reduce environmental impact.

TKBTC also runs a Repair Café as part of its commitment to supporting sustainability, reducing waste, and encouraging community involvement. The initiative provides residents with the opportunity to bring along broken

household items to be repaired or restored by volunteers, helping to extend the life of everyday items and reduce landfill.

The Council is proud to support the Community Willow Coppice group, Llais y Goedwig, and Keep Wales Tidy in their work to develop and maintain the Chester Avenue Woodland site. This project is a strong example of partnership working to enhance local green space, promote wellbeing, and create a welcoming environment for all.

24. Digital Engagement

For 2025–26, TKBTC’s digital engagement and communication systems are now fully implemented, embedded, and working effectively as part of its ongoing commitment to transparency, accessibility, and proactive community engagement.

The Town Council website is fully operational and provides a central hub for Council news, project updates, meeting minutes, community services, and contact information, improving ease of access for residents and stakeholders.

Social media activity, particularly via Facebook, continues to be well established, helping the Council to reach a wider and more diverse audience across the community. The Town Council Newsletter, launched in February 2025, is now regularly produced and distributed, providing residents and visitors with updates on Council activities and local initiatives. It is shared via social media, with printed copies also available on request from the Deputy Clerk.

25. Conwy CBC Support

TKBTC actively supports Conwy CBC by contributing funding towards community infrastructure improvements, including replacement play scheme equipment, speed sensor devices, and the installation of new CCTV cameras where required.

In 2025, funding was provided for the installation of an accessible swing seat at Tir Prince Park, improving inclusivity and ensuring that play facilities are accessible to a wider range of users.

26. Staff/Councillor Training

The Town Council Clerk and Deputy Clerk have completed training to CILCA (Certificate in Local Council Administration) level, which has enabled TKBTC to exercise the General Power of Competence (GPOC). This qualification provides the council with the legal and operational capacity to undertake a broader range of activities and powers, improving its ability to effectively serve the community. In addition, all councillors have received relevant training to ensure they understand their roles and responsibilities, further strengthening the council's governance. This collective training ensures the council has the legal and operational capacity to undertake a broader range of activities and powers, enhancing its ability to effectively serve the community.

Conclusion

This report reflects on the progress we have made during 2025-2026, despite the ongoing challenges and constraints that have affected us all. While these obstacles presented difficulties, we have consistently adapted our approach to remain focused on the long-term social, environmental, cultural, and economic wellbeing of our community.

Guided by resilience, collaboration, and a shared vision for a stronger Towyn and Kinmel Bay, our efforts have led to meaningful improvements. Through community engagement, infrastructure enhancements, and fundraising initiatives, we have made notable strides in improving the quality of life for both residents and visitors.



SECTION 6 - DETAILS OF WARDS & MEMBERS

TOWYN & KINMEL BAY TOWN COUNCIL

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SECTION 7 – 2026-2027 MEETING TIMETABLE

<u>May 2026</u> Wed 13 Full Council - (AM) Wed 27 - Community Place Plan Committee	<u>December 2026</u> Wed 2 Full Council - General Wed 9 - Community Place Plan Committee
<u>June 2026</u> Wed 10 Full Council - Environ Wed 17 Full Council - General	<u>January 2027</u> Wed 6 Full Council - Precept Mon 13 Full Council - General Wed 20 Full Council - Environ
<u>July 2026</u> No Meeting	<u>February 2027</u> Mon 15 - HR Committee
<u>August 2026</u> Wed 5 Full Council – General	<u>March 2027</u> Mon 3 Full Council - Environ Wed 17 Full Council – General Mon 22 - Community Place Plan Committee
<u>September 2026</u> Wed 2 Full Council – Environ Wed 9 - Community Place Plan Committee Wed 23 Full Council - General	<u>April 2027</u> Mon 19 Full Council - Environ
<u>October 2026</u> Mon 5 - HR Committee	<u>May 2027</u> Wed 12 Full Council - (Annual Meeting)
<u>November 2026</u> Sun 9 Remembrance Sunday Mon 2 Full Council - Environ Wed 18 Full Council - General	

SECTION 8 - MEMBERS ATTENDANCE ANALYSIS 2025-26

Councillor Attendance Summary 2025-26

COUNCILLOR	TOTAL EXPECTED ATTENDANCE	ATTENDED	PERCENTAGE
Anthony Bibby	20	13	65%
Geoff Corry	20	12	60%
Lee Derbyshire	4	2	50%
Lee Gledhill	18	11	61%
Barry Griffiths	24	21	88%
Lynda Griffiths	22	21	95%
Terry Jenkins	22	18	82%
David Johnson	21	17	81%
Morris Jones	21	17	81%
Luke Knightly	18	5	28%
Anna Macauley	12 (Resigned)	4	33%
Bernice McLoughlin	22	15	68%
Deborah Mulvaney	24	18	75%
Kay Redhead	20	18	90%
Michael Smith	24	22	92%
Nigel Smith	22	20	91%

- 15 Councillors elected/co-opted on the Town Council

SECTION 9 - MEMBERS ALLOWANCES 2025-26

Statement of Payments made to Members of TOWYN & KINMEL BAY TOWN COUNCIL for the Financial Year April 2025 to March 2026

Section 151 of the Local Government Measure 2011, requires Community and Town Councils to publish, within their authority area, the remuneration received by their members by 30 September following the end of the previous financial year. This information must also be sent to: Remuneration@dbcc.gov.wales by the same date. Nil returns are also required. Please refer to the Panel's annual report for details. A copy of statement to be shared with Wales Audit Office to ensure compliance.

Name of Community & Town Council	Local Authority area (County)	Date return submitted to Remuneration Board & copy sent to Audit Wales	NIL Return	Group - 1 to 5 (state number)	Total cost of allowances PAID TO councillors each in receipt of £156 payment - To recognise councillors incur costs to do their role.	Total cost of allowances PAID TO councillors in receipt of £52 payment - Payments for costs incurred in respect of telephone, broadband etc.	Responsibility Payment (up to £500 to a maximum of 5 members).	Chair / Mayor of the Council allowance Chair or Mayor's Personal Payment. This excludes any Civic Budget for their extra work.	Vice Chair / Deputy Mayor of the Council allowance. This excludes any Civic Budget for their extra work.	Financial Loss Allowance	T&S expenses reimbursed - Total for all members	Total Attendance Allowance paid to all members (£30 per member, per Council meeting)	Contribution to Costs of Care and Personal Assistance (CPA) Total reimbursed in the year and NOT payment to each member.	Other	Total	TOTAL NUMBER OF COUNCILLORS declined £156 allowance - for costs incurred in respect of working from home	TOTAL NUMBER OF COUNCILLORS declined £52 allowance - for costs incurred in respect of telephone, broadband etc.
Towyn & Kinmel Bay Town Council	Conwy CBC	13/04/2026	n/a	3	£ 2,185.28	£ 728.43	£ 500.00	£ 1,500.00	£ 500.00	0.00	300.65	0.00	0.00	0.00	£5,714.36	0	0

SECTION 10 - TKBTC – OFFICE CONTACT DETAILS & OPENING TIMES

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