

# Carmarthenshire Local Access Forum

## 2024 Annual Report



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## **Foreword to the Annual Report**

2024 has been another positive year for the Forum with a continuation of the close working relationship with the rights of way team that was reported in the 2023 annual report. It has also been great to see Councillor Aled Vaughan Owen attend a number of the forum meetings and his presence has been greatly appreciated by members.

The LAF was made up of 12 members throughout 2024 all with varying interests and areas of expertise relating to rights of way and access to the countryside. A list of LAF members during the year along with details of who attended which meeting is included in Appendix 1.

It was great to see 11 different guest speakers / advisors attend the LAF meetings throughout the year to ask for the forums assistance / provide advice on specific topics relevant to the forum.

The LAF considered 26 different topics and considered 5 consultations during 2024 on a wide range of issues as outlined within this report. This shows that the LAF has been involved in looking at, discussing, and advising on a large number of items throughout the year.

The forum has noted the significant damage caused to the rights of way network and especially the Welsh Government Woodland Estate, managed by Natural Resources Wales (NRW), by storm Daragh in December 2024 and will continue to monitor storm recovery operations throughout 2025. The storm has highlighted many issues, and it is hoped these can be resolved in the future.

During 2024 the LAF has monitored information about the state of the Public Rights of Way (PRow) network provided by the Carmarthenshire Countryside Access Team.

The general trend throughout 2024 was largely unchanged from previous years, showing a steady increase in both legal and maintenance recorded issues. The LAF continues to watch these numbers with interest and is aware that once the network survey is completed these may increase further. The LAF understands that this will give a more realistic data set for the actual state of the rights of way network in the county and enable the authority to develop a strategic way to improve the network going forward.

2025 will be another interesting year for the LAF with the election of a new Forum, continued monitoring of the ROWIP, the continued interest in the Tywi Valley Path project, working alongside CCC to introduce the equestrian strategy for the County, results from the network survey to be discussed and continued discussions with the Heads of Service and Councillors on strategic and policy issues relating to access to the countryside.

I would like to thank Caroline Ferguson, Jason Lawday, Alex Morgan and all members of the Rights of Way Team for the time they have spent and advice that has been given to the forum as secretary / advisors over the past year.

I would also like to thank all forum members for the time and expertise they give to the forum.

**Mark Hadley**

**Chair - Carmarthenshire Local Access Forum (LAF)**

## **Comments from the Secretary**

This report marks the completion of the final year of the current LAF term.

During 2024 all meetings have been held face to face with the benefit of some attendees joining remotely, who could not otherwise have attended.

Carmarthenshire County Council are very fortunate to have members with extensive expertise in countryside matters and appreciate their balanced advice. Members challenge the council whilst at the same time, understanding the pressures from constrained budgets, increasing workloads and high expectations. We thank them for their commitment.

The forum has also been supported by observers, advisors and speakers, who have attended LAF meetings through 2024 and who have provided a valuable contribution to agenda items.

The information and comment from organisations and individuals who have supported the LAF has assisted the forum in delivering its advisory function; the authority is grateful to these contributors and hope this valuable support will continue.

Next year we will begin the recruitment process for our next LAF term. We hope to see many of our current members return to sit on the forum again but also hope to attract some new members.

Finally, I would like to extend thanks to our Chair, Mark Hadley, and Deputy Chair, Karen Burch, who have both been long time supporters of the Carmarthenshire LAF and show great dedication to their roles on the forum.

**Caroline Ferguson**  
**Countryside Access Manager & LAF Secretariat**  
**Carmarthenshire County Council (CCC)**

## **Introduction**

The Carmarthenshire Local Access Forum was first established by Carmarthenshire County Council, the appointing authority, in September 2002 (see appendix 3).

The forum covers the County of Carmarthenshire, excluding the area of Bannau Brycheiniog National Park for which their own LAF has responsibility (see Appendix 4)

This report, a statutory requirement under the CROW Act 2000, covers the work undertaken by the Carmarthenshire LAF from January 2024, until 15 January 2025, the second year of its 3-year term.

The meeting held in January 2025 was due to be held in December 2024 but was unavoidably postponed to early January due to the disruption caused by Storm Darragh – for the purposes of the report we will cite the postponed final meeting of the LAF term as *14 January 2025-P*.

This annual report will serve several purposes:

- a) A summary record of the year's work
- b) A work plan for the coming year - this will be agreed between the LAF and the appointing authority, in accordance with regulation 16(2)(b). It may however be subject to change in accordance with changing priorities and pressures through the year.
- c) A 'publicity' document. The annual report must, by statute, be made available for public inspection and it will be available bilingually, for the public to buy.

## **Organisations represented on the Carmarthenshire LAF**

Carmarthenshire County Council	Ramblers
CCC Cabinet Member for Transport, Waste & Infrastructure	Cycling UK
Natural Resources Wales	Green Lane Association
British Horse Society	Trail Rider's Fellowship

## **Interests represented on the Carmarthenshire LAF**

Local Walking Groups	Cycling
Disability/Limited Mobility Access	Mountain Biking
Tourism	Conservation
Voluntary Sector	Natural & Historic Environments
Private Landowners (smallholders)	Recreational Vehicular Access
	Wellbeing

## **Meeting Diary**

All meetings were held in person; any remote attendance was accommodated by prior arrangement with the secretariat.

Meetings were held at two different venues in the County and were held at varying times and on different days of the week. This approach to scheduling started in 2023 as the previous format of a fixed day and time was found to restrict attendance.

- 1) 5 March 2024, 4pm - Carmarthen Leisure Centre, Johnstown
- 2) 6 June 2024, 6pm – Tywi Centre, Llandeilo
- 3) 5 September 2024, 6pm – Tywi Centre, Llandeilo
- 4) 14 January 2025-P, 3pm (Postponed from 9 December 2024) – Carmarthen Leisure Centre, Johnstown

## **Guest Speakers & Advisors**

Members welcomed the following speakers on topics summarised below:

- 1) Christoff Fischer – Llandeilo Town Mayor
- 2) Kate Glanville – Llandeilo Town Council & River Towy Swimmers
- 3) Tony Loizou – Carmarthenshire Anglers
- 4) Julie Sweet – Cilmaenllwyd Walking Group
- 5) Neil Thomas – Carmarthenshire County Council (CCC) Senior Outdoor Recreation Manager
- 6) Phillip Morgan – Natural Resources Wales
- 7) Cllr Aled Vaughan Owen – CCC Cabinet member for Climate Change, Decarbonisation and Sustainability
- 8) Alex Morgan - CCC Countryside Access Project Officer
- 9) Cllr Edward Thomas – CCC Cabinet Member for Transport, Waste and Infrastructure Services
- 10) Jason Lawday - CCC Countryside Access Officer
- 11) Alan Richards – Pontarddulais Walking Group

## **Monitoring & Scrutiny**

The regular business of the LAF during 2024 has included updates from the CCC Countryside Access team, CCC Outdoor Recreation team and the NRW Operations Manager on any matters relating to access. Members provide feedback and ask a range of questions. In this way, progress and priorities are monitored by members and informed decisions can be made in respect of issuing advice.

The LAF provides independent strategic oversight of the council's public access work. For example, the planning and preparation of annual PROW improvement projects, quarterly PROW issue reports, PROW Orders, Planning Applications (with access implications) and Traffic Regulation Orders.

LAF subgroups are created where certain topics within the remit of the LAF require more detailed discussion. Key outcomes from subgroup meetings are fed back to the LAF for information and observation at the strategic level.

Two LAF subgroups operated during 2024:

- 1) Byway User Group - comprised LAF members, CCC Countryside Access Manager, CCC Recreation and Access Manager, CCC Public Rights of Way Maintenance Coordinator & Highways and Transportation Services Manager. Subgroup focussed on CCC Byway and Unclassified Road network, identifying priorities for improvement and management matters requiring scrutiny.
- 2) PROW Marketing and Promotion subgroup - comprised LAF members, CCC Countryside Access Manager and CCC Tourism Development Officer. Subgroup look at existing PROW promotion and where it could be changed, enhanced, or updated.

## **Principle Matters Considered by the LAF**

### **1. Topic Considered: ROWIP Mid Term Review**

Date(s) Considered: 5 March 2024, 6 June 2024, 5 September 2024, 14 January 2025-P

Summary: Forum advised in March that consultancy produced review document circulated in 2023 was to be re-formatted by CCC to make it more succinct and accessible to the reader.

Revised document circulated to members for comment, cut-off date for comments agreed in September meeting.

Following unanimous approval from LAF members, secretariat update provided in January meeting, advised forum that formal approval yet to take place, Chair suggested a communication from LAF to expedite approval, members agreed.

### **2. Topic Considered: PROW Issue Reports**

Date(s) Considered: 5 March 2024, 6 June 2024, 5 September 2024, 14 January 2025-P

Summary: Reports on the number of outstanding issues for both legal and maintenance issues were produced ahead of March, June & September LAF meetings, issue data was analysed, and findings were discussed.

Little change in overall trends, one change identified in June report where maintenance issues stabilised. New 'Performance Reports' replaced issue reports at the end of the year, opportunity given to members to comment on new format. Suggested review of new reports after 1 year to determine usefulness was agreed.

### **3. Topic Considered: Llandeilo Bathing Water Designation**

Date(s) Considered: 5 March 2024, 6 June 2024

Summary: Presentation by guest speakers in March meeting regarding the aspiration to secure Bathing Water Designation to a section of the Towy River in Llandeilo Town.

Presenters outlined Legal cleanliness criteria to meet to achieve & maintain designation. 499 positive consultation responses received but no CCC or Landowner support at present.

Q & A session after presentation. LAF Chair advised that once the responsible CCC department for moving the proposal forward is identified, the LAF will consider an advice note based on the combined view of members.

Cabinet Member (Cllr Edward Thomas) offered to assist in determining departmental responsibility.

### **4. Topic Considered: PROW Project Updates**

Date(s) Considered: 5 March 2024, 6 June 2024, 5 September 2024, 14 January 2025-P

Summary: CCC Project Officer provided PROW project updates at each meeting. Details provided in respect of improvement projects included number of furniture items installed, number of issues resolved, and number of routes opened.

Updates provided on ongoing volunteer network survey project, detailing number of volunteers signed up, trained and assigned routes as well as number of kilometres successfully surveyed. Future funding opportunities for volunteer project also shared.

Very positive views amongst LAF members for increasing project-based working however the need for LAF members to keep a close watching brief on proposed projects highlighted, so knowledge amongst members can be shared with CCC, maximising the positive impact of each scheme.

LAF members have had an opportunity to make project suggestions to project officer.

5. Topic Considered: **Head of Service Meeting**

Date(s) Considered: 5 March 2024

Summary: One Head of Service Meeting held in 2024 (February). Positive discussion, particularly around defining the role of the LAF with several actions agreed including improving LAF engagement and appropriate channels for formal LAF advice. Next meeting yet to be scheduled.

6. Topic Considered: **Public Rights of Way (PROW) Registration – Definitive Map Creation**

Date(s) Considered: 5 March 2024

Summary: Presentation given to LAF to improve member understanding of the PROW registration process undertaken in the early 1950s which led to the final published Carmarthenshire Definitive Map and Statement in 1968.

7. Topic Considered: **CCC Equestrian Strategy**

Date(s) Considered: 5 March 2024, 5 September 2024, 14 January 2025-P

Summary: LAF kept up to date on the progress of the strategy at each meeting up to completion of the draft in November 2024. Draft Strategy circulated to members for comment. Forum advised that final version of document scheduled to be presented at first approval meeting early in 2025.

8. Topic Considered: **PROW & Access Funding Opportunities**

Date(s) Considered: 5 March 2024, 6 June 2024, 5 September 2024

Summary: Members have noted the positive impact a dedicated Project Officer appointment has had on Countryside Access team, particularly around securing appropriate funding. The importance of promotion, highlighting the good work that is done highlighted once again.

Members were advised in June that collaboration is embedded in current funding opportunities, seeking potential for collaborative working key to successful bids. Funding suggestions and opportunities from members welcomed.

9. Topic Considered: **Cycle Path Use**

Date(s) Considered: 5 March 2024, 5 September 2024, 14 January 2025-P

Summary: Discussion surrounding the legal position of cyclists using footpaths ongoing, no change in CCC position.

10. Topic Considered: **Towy Valley Path (TVP)**

Date(s) Considered: 5 March 2024, 5 September 2024

Summary: Forum has maintained a watching brief on TVP progress, keeping abreast of the compulsory purchase phase and construction/spend timeline associated with this major access project.

11. Topic Considered: **CCC Definitive Map Modification Order (DMMO) Register**

Date(s) Considered: 5 March 2024

Summary: A query was raised by a forum member regarding the DMMO workload in Carmarthenshire. Forum members were updated on the status of the Carmarthenshire DMMO register and where it can be viewed. Members were also advised how they can review informal DMMOs not included on the register.

12. Topic Considered: **Cabinet Member Representation**

Date(s) Considered: 6 June 2024

Summary: At the second meeting of the year, forum members were introduced to the new Cabinet Member (for Climate Change, Decarbonisation and Sustainability) now responsible for PROW. Some confusion in respect of the change, effectively separating PROW from the rest of the Carmarthenshire Highways function. Rationale and clarification provided. Reassurance that Cabinet member for Highways would still engage with the LAF and attend meetings when possible.

13. Topic Considered: **LAF Annual Report**

Date(s) Considered: 5 March 2024, 6 June 2024, 5 September 2024

Summary: LAF kept up to date on the progress of the annual report at each meeting up to completion of the draft in August 2024. Draft Strategy circulated to members for comment with deadline of 13 September 2024 agreed.

Forum members pleased to see completed report as many Local Authorities do not meet this obligation. Final document awaiting Head of Service and Cabinet Member approval.

14. Topic Considered: **NRW Restructure & Recreation Strategy**

Date(s) Considered: 6 June 2024, 5 September 2024

Summary: Concern raised regarding the commencement of an NRW restructure where posts are apparently to be removed/reduced. Concern heightened by the apparent new strategic direction for the organisation away from access as a priority. LAF to keep a close watching brief whilst ensuring they are consulted on matters that may affect Carmarthenshire.

15. Topic Considered: **Promotion and Tourism Subgroup**

Date(s) Considered: 6 June 2024, 5 September 2024

Summary: Subgroup continued to see positive outcomes through 2024 with improvement in the promotion of access opportunities in Carmarthenshire.

16. Topic Considered: **Rali Ceredigion**

Date(s) Considered: 6 June 2024, 5 September 2024

Summary: Members shared views on Rali event and importance of awareness for access users, affiliates to be notified. Follow up questionnaire issued by local tourism group to determine impact of event in locality.

17. Topic Considered: **Pembrey Equine Parking**

Date(s) Considered: 6 June 2024, 5 September 2024

Summary: Ongoing issue regarding formal parking provision for equestrians at Pembrey remained a topic of discussion for forum members. Traffic Order permitting a dedicated parking bay completed July 2024. Concerns raised in September in respect of poor communication on permit types and parking eligibility, fed back to Traffic Management team.

18. Topic Considered: **National Trust AGM**

Date(s) Considered: 5 September 2024

Summary: Forum members made aware of upcoming National trust AGM and encouraged to consider voting for access organisations for the Board, who support the access agenda.

19. Topic Considered: **Byway User Subgroup (BUG)**

Date(s) Considered: 5 March 2024

Summary: Members advised that a primary subject for discussion at BUG – Live Traffic Regulation Orders on Byways and Unclassified Roads – is still awaiting full list of live Orders. Information to be brought to LAF once received and reviewed by subgroup.

20. Topic Considered: **PROW Furniture Charging policy**

Date(s) Considered: 5 March 2024, 6 June 2024

Summary: Forum members advised CCC that Charging Policy should be made available to view online as an example of positive change in PROW working practices. Policy published online by the end of 2024.

21. Topic Considered: **PRoW Staffing**

Date(s) Considered: 5 March 2024

Summary: 3 new members were appointed to the Countryside Access team early in 2024 providing more maintenance capacity and an opportunity to carry out more project based improvements to the PROW network. News well received by forum members.

22. Topic Considered: **Cilmaenllwyd PROW Improvement Project**

Date(s) Considered: 5 March 2024

Summary: Project leader from the Cilmaenllwyd Walking Group presented their Community PROW improvement project, funded through grant secured by the Community themselves. Members agreed it is a great example of what can be achieved by a community initiative.

23. Topic Considered: **Natural Resources Wales (NRW) 20km Walking Trail Creation**

Date(s) Considered: 5 March 2024

Summary: Forum members advised that the 20km walking trail developed by NRW across the Welsh Government Woodland Estate, is complete and awaiting a formal launch date, to be shared with LAF.

24. Topic Considered: **Welsh Tourism Tax**

Date(s) Considered: 14 January 2025-P

Summary: Subject raised by members but in the absence of a Welsh Government decision, detailed discussion of likely opportunities not possible. Members speculated on the benefits of local investment and ring-fenced funding for access that might arise as a result of the tax. LAF to keep a watching brief.

25. Topic Considered: **Impact of Major Storms of Access and PROWs**

Date(s) Considered: 14 January 2025-P

Summary: Obvious access implications following storms Darragh and Eowyn were raised by LAF members for discussion. Catastrophic damage across WG Woodland Estate and the time it will take to clear a serious cause for concern. Considerable damage across PROW network has implications for PROW maintenance budgets, Emergency Storm Repair Fund should be utilised to avoid loss of revenue budgets.

26. Topic Considered: **Appointment of next LAF**

Date(s) Considered: 14 January 2025-P

Summary: LAF secretariat outlined timeline for recruitment of next LAF, target for 1<sup>st</sup> meeting of new LAF – April 2025.

## **Consultations Considered by the LAF**

- 1) Public Path Orders & Definitive Map Modification Orders  
Summary: Members continue to review and comment on PPO and DMMO consultations issued by the Countryside Access team
- 2) Planning Applications  
Summary: Members continue to review and comment on Planning consultations issued by the Countryside Access team where there are possible implications for public access.
- 3) Sustainable Farming Scheme (SFS) Consultation  
Summary: National LAF response issued to consultation. Carmarthenshire LAF members did not raise specific items for inclusion in a Carmarthenshire LAF response, so no CLAF response sent.
- 4) NRW Tree Felling Consultation (6 June 2024)  
Summary: Chair requested that Carmarthenshire LAF be consulted as a stakeholder. No consultation received prior to end of LAF term.
- 5) Active Travel Consultation (14 January 2025-P)  
Summary: Forum members did not see a value in the Llandovery Active Travel scheme proposals; more gain in urban areas. Formal response issued by LAF Chair.  
Members understand Active Travel model is witnessing change with likely reduction in funding.

## **Proposed Work Plan for 2025**

The work programme for the LAF in the coming year will look closely at the following issues:

- 1) LAF Engagement – continue discussions with Head of Service and Cabinet Members to drive improved CCC engagement with LAF.
- 2) ROWIP Mid Term Review – finalise document for implementation
- 3) Equestrian Strategy – finalise document for implementation
- 4) Volunteer Network Survey project - watching brief, provide comment/support as required
- 5) Active Travel Proposals - watching brief, provide formal advice as required
- 6) Cycle Track Conversion Orders – review and comment on proposals as consultation documents are issued. Provide advice on process as considered necessary.
- 7) WG Access Reform – watching brief, provide formal advice as required
- 8) WG Sustainable farming proposals – watching brief, provide formal advice as required
- 9) Live Permanent TROs across Highway & PROW Network – seek full details through Byway User Group and review routes subject to closure.

- 10) Rights of Way Improvement Projects – monitor and review projects planned for and delivered through 2024.
- 11) AIG funding - review of use.
- 12) Forthcoming AIG funding award - review of proposed use
- 13) External funding for rights of way work – highlight and discuss opportunities.
- 14) PROW issue/performance reports - continued review, assessment and comment.
- 15) Impact of Major Storms on Access - watching brief on access reinstatement and policy development, provide formal advice as required
- 16) Towy Valley Path - watching brief on 2025-26 delivery.
- 17) Welsh Tourism Tax - watching brief, provide formal advice as required

## Appendices

### Appendix 1 - Membership / Recruitment Details

In accordance with Regulation 3 of the Countryside Access (LAF) (Wales) Regulations 2001, all members of a forum are appointed for three years from the date of the first meeting of each three year term. The present three year LAF term commenced 13 December 2021, the table below lists LAF membership through 2023.

<b>Name</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Interests</b>	<b>Date Appointed</b>
Mark Hadley	Chair	Walking, Vehicular PRowWs, Tourism, Landowner	13/12/2021
Karen Burch	Deputy Chair	Equine (Carms Riders Chair & BHS Member) Local History	13/12/2021
Caroline Ferguson	Secretary	N/A	13/12/2021
Jillie Gardiner	Member	Tourism, Equine, Landowner	13/12/2021
Dave Gravelle	Member	Cycling and Recreational Vehicular access, tourism	13/12/2021
David Stacey	Member	Cycling, Walking	13/12/2021
Peter Griffiths	Member	Cycling, Disability/Mobility	13/12/2021
Phil Snaith	Member	walking, cycling, disability access	13/12/2021
Sean Brown	Member	Walking Mountain biking, motorcycle Trail Riding	13/12/2021
Richard Leggett	Member	Walking (RA member)	13/12/2021
Mo Rapley	Member	Vehicular PRowWs (TRF Member)	13/12/2021
Wyn Owen	Member	Ramblers Assc, Scouts, DofE	13/12/2021
Tara-Jane Sutcliffe	Member	PRowWs, Conservation, natural & historic environments	13/12/2021

No new members were elected to the LAF during 2024

## Appendix 2 – LAF Meeting Attendance

Member attendance record for 2023.

Name	05/03/24	06/06/24	05/09/24	14/01/25	Percentage Attendance
Mark Hadley (Chair)	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
Karen Burch (Deputy Chair)	A	Y	Y	A	50%
Caroline Ferguson (Secretary)	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
Jillie Gardiner	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
Dave Gravelle	Y	A	Y	Y	75%
David Stacey	A	Y	A	Y	50%
Peter Griffiths	A	Y	Y	Y	75%
Phil Snaith	Y	Y	A	Y	75%
Sean Brown	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
Richard Leggett	Y	Y	A	Y	75%
Mo Rapley	Y	Y	A	A	50%
Wyn Owen	A	Y	Y	Y	75%
Tara-Jane Sutcliffe	N	N	Y	A	25%

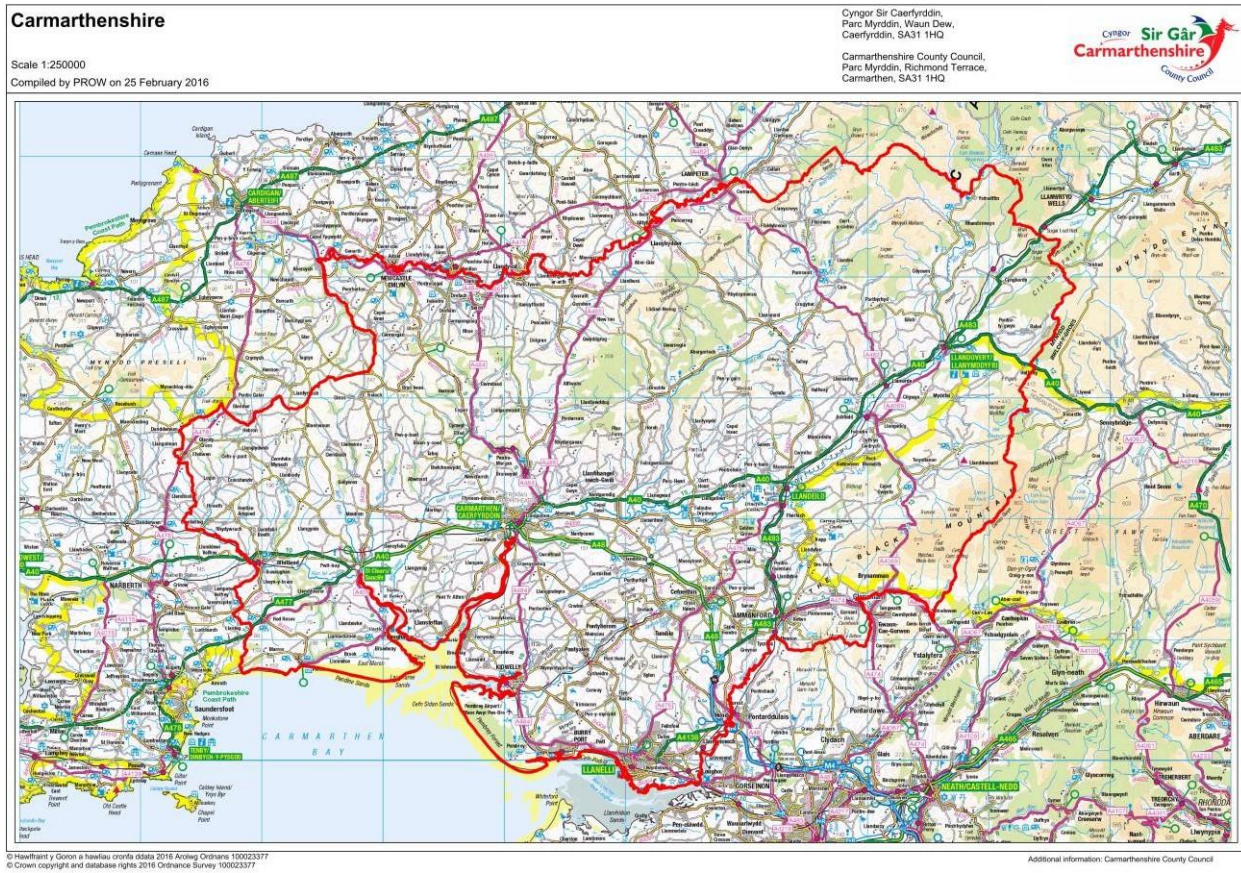
### Key

- Y            Attended meeting
- A            Apologies of non-attendance received
- N            Did not attend meeting & no apologies received

### Appendix 3 – Appointing Authority Details

<u>Name of Appointing Authority:</u>	Carmarthenshire County Council
<u>Area Covered by LAF:</u>	The whole of Carmarthenshire excluding Bannau Brycheiniog National Park.
<u>Secretary:</u>	Caroline Ferguson, Countryside Access Manager, Countryside Recreation and Access Unit, Carmarthenshire County Council, Mynydd Mawr Woodland Park, Heol Hirwaun Olau, Tumble, Carmarthenshire, SA14 6HU.
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## Appendix 4 – Map of Local Access Forum Area



### Key

- Area Surrounded in Red = Carmarthenshire
- Area Surrounded in Yellow = Section of County in Bannau Brycheiniog National Park (not covered by Carmarthenshire LAF)

## Appendix 5 – LAF Annual Report Distribution List

1. CCC Website
2. CCC Libraries
3. CCC Hwbs
4. Town and Community Councils
5. CCC Local Members
6. CCC Chief Executive & Directors
7. Carmarthenshire Tourist Association
8. Ceredigion Ramblers Association
9. Pembroke Ramblers Association
10. Llanelli Ramblers Association
11. Dinefwr Ramblers Association
12. Carmarthen and District Ramblers Association
13. Lampeter Ramblers Association
14. British Horse Society
15. Green Lane Association
16. Treadlightly
17. Trail Riders Fellowship
18. Welsh Trail Riders Association
19. Auto Cycle Union
20. British Motorcyclists Association
21. Sustrans Cymru
22. Natural Resources Wales
23. Farmers Union of Wales
24. National Farmers Union
25. National Trust
26. Open Spaces Society
27. Byway & Bridleways Trust
28. British Driving Society
29. Cyclists Touring Club
30. LARA (Land Access & Recreation Association)
31. Canoe Wales
32. Brecon Beacons LAF
33. Pembrokeshire LAF
34. Ceredigion LAF Powys LAF
35. Neath & Port Talbot LAF
36. Swansea LAF

## Appendix 6 – Further Reading

### LAF Annual Reports

All appointing authorities are required by statute to produce annual reports. These can be obtained from the relevant LAF secretary. Agendas, minutes and other papers are also available for individual LAF meeting at: [Local Access Forum \(gov.wales\)](http://Local Access Forum (gov.wales))

### Government Act

Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000  
The Stationery Office Ltd (2000).  
[Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000 \(legislation.gov.uk\)](http://legislation.gov.uk)

### National Assembly Wales

The Countryside Access (Local Access Forums) (Wales) Regulations 2001;  
The Stationery Office Limited (2002).  
[The Countryside Access \(Local Access Forums\) \(Wales\) Regulations 2001 \(legislation.gov.uk\)](http://legislation.gov.uk)

Guidance for Local Authorities on Public Rights of Way (October 2016)  
[Guidance for Local Authorities on Public Rights of Way - October 2016 \(gov.wales\)](http://gov.wales)

### Natural Resources Wales

LAF Guidance 1: The Establishment of Local Access Forums – Advice and Best Practice Guidance (2002).  
LAF Guidance 2: The Role Duties and Functions of Local Access Forums (2002)