

MEETING	Llŷn AONB Joint Advisory Committee
DATE	5 April 2017
TITLE	Latest Projects from the Llŷn AONB Unit
PURPOSE	Inform Members
AUTHOR	Llŷn AONB Projects Officer
RECOMMENDATION	Accept the information.

1.0 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 This report provides an update to members of the JAC about recent projects undertaken by the Llŷn AONB Service. The themes vary from raising awareness, interpretation and environmental improvements.

2.0 REMOVAL OF UNTIDY ROAD SIGNS

- 2.1 The AONB Service have been working on village signs and historic signposts for quite some time. By now, most villages have the traditional black and white signs on the way in, each end, and we believe that this co-insides well with the area's character.
- 2.2 Some other features however, impair the character of the area's rural roads such as excessive road signs, untidy signs and poles which have no signs on them at all. The AONB Service, in cooperation with the Highways and Transport Department, has been working on a project to remove untidy signs at Edern, Sarn Mellteyrn and Botwnnog in 2016/17.

3.0 LLŶN CYCLE ROUTES

- 3.1 A Cycle Route project has been developed with Sustrans, which is a charity for sustainable travel. These routes were developed originally in 2003/04 by Visit Wales as part of a cycling holiday project but they had not been maintained or promoted for a very long time. Sustrans undertook a survey of the routes and relevant signs to establish any shortcomings and recommendations were made in order to re-launch the routes. Following this, new signs were ordered and installed showing clearly the routes in both directions. Also a new leaflet was created, again with Sustrans, to promote the routes with locals and visitors.
- 3.2 A launch was held in Sarn Mellteyrn at the beginning of March. 4 Routes are part of the plan – 3 in Llŷn and 1 in Eifionydd. The leaflet contains general information about the routes (including distance), a map and useful information about the facilities around. Also there are useful local contacts and advice on how to travel safely. We hope that the routes will encourage people

and children to travel by bike – which is a great way to exercise, save money – and enjoy the area’s beauty.

4.0 TRE’R CEIRI INTERPRETATION

4.1 This project is a follow-on from interpretation work in 2013 when information panels were installed by the hill forts of Garn Boduan, Garn Fadryn and Tre’r Ceiri.

4.2 The AONB Service has already removed an old and untidy information panel from Tre’r Ceiri. A further step was to commission a local company to design and publish an information leaflet about Tre’r Ceiri and the remains that can be found there. The leaflet also contains a map of the footpaths and information about wildlife in the Eifl area.

5.0 RHODD ERYRI

5.1 An evening was held recently in Llanberis to celebrate the success of the first year of Rhodd Eryri – a pilot scheme where visitors contribute to local conservation work. More information about the project will be available at the meeting.

6.0 RECOMMENDATION

6.1 The members are asked to accept the above information.