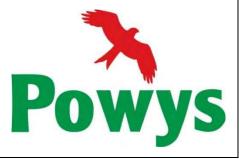


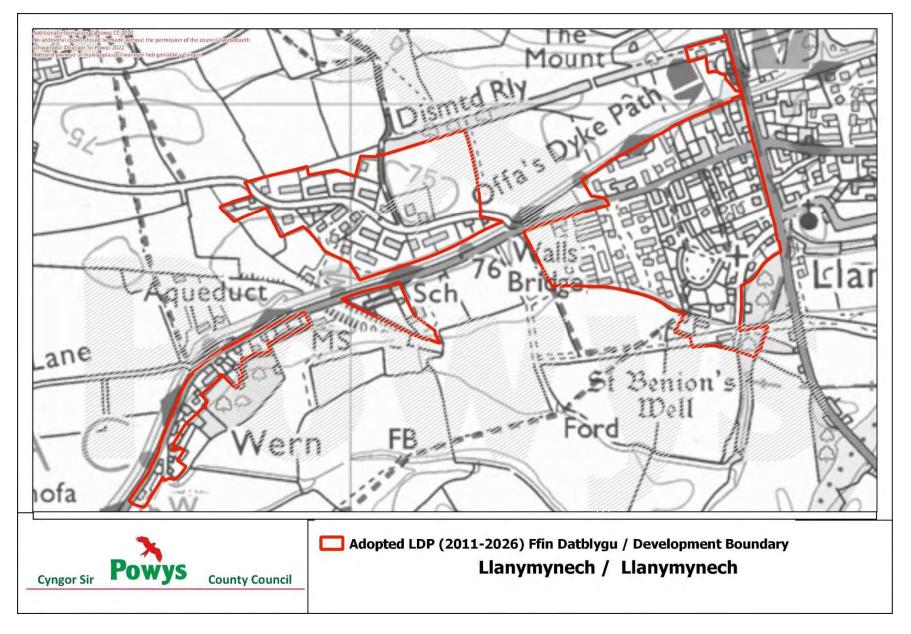
# Powys Replacement Local Development Plan (2022-2037) Infrastructure Provision and Settlements Profiles

**Settlement Profile:** 

Llanymynech

Prepared by Powys County Council in partnership with Cadnant Planning





#### 1. Introduction

The settlement of Llanymynech, classified as a Large Village in the adopted Powys LDP (2011-2026), is located along the border of Powys with Shropshire, England to the east. The settlement is split into two along the main road, the A483; the western half lies within the County of Powys and the eastern half lies within Shropshire.

The close proximity of the A483 provides residents within easy access of both Oswestry to the north (approximately 6.6 miles away) and Welshpool (approximately 9.4 miles away) to the south. Residents are able to benefit from the wide range of services, facilities and employment opportunities offered within these larger centres.

The national walking trail, Offa's Dyke, runs through the middle of the settlement. There is also a conservation area located along the boundary with Shropshire, through the middle of the A483. Outside of the settlement sits the Llanymynech Golf Club whose unique appeal lies in the experience of being able to play on both sides of the English and Welsh border.

Llanymynech benefits from a number of local facilities, including a primary school, post office, convenience store, three public houses and Bed and Breakfasts, which also provide visitor accommodation. Residents also have easy access to facilities located within the Shropshire-side of the settlement, such as the village hall and St Agatha church.

#### **Key Facts:**

Adopted LDP (2011-2026) Settlement Hierarchy:

Large Village

Replacement LDP (2022-2037) Settlement Hierarchy: Tier 3

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Replacement LDP (2022-2037)

Local Cluster Settlement

**Settlement Type:** 

Housing Market Area / Locality: Welshpool and

Montgomery

Size of Settlement based on Adopted LDP (2011-2026)

17.47 hectares.

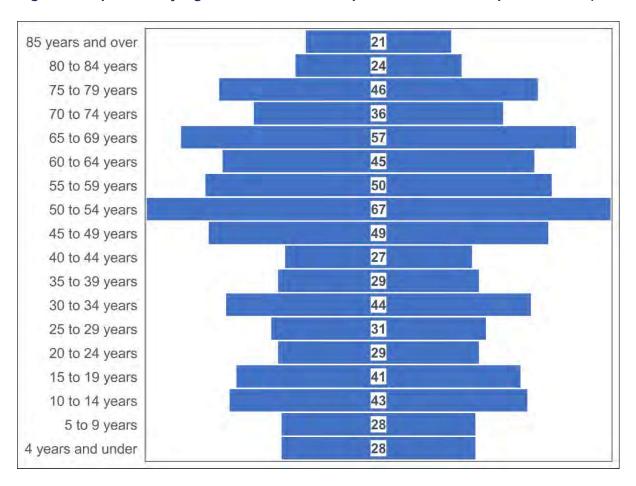
boundary:

Population within or adjacent to Adopted LDP Settlement Boundary:

595

Site Survey Date: July 2022

Figure 1. Population by Age Band within the Output Areas that overlap Settlement (Census 2021)



# 2. Services and Facilities

**Table 1. Educational Facilities within Settlement** 

Туре	Number
College / Further education	0
Secondary school	0
Primary school	1
Nursery / pre-school provision	2
Total number of education facilities	3

There are also other forms of nursery / pre-school provision nearby (within 5 miles)

**Table 2. Community Facilities within Settlement** 

Туре	Number
Village / Community / Town Hall	1
Place of Worship	2
Sports Centre	0
Library (including mobile)	0
Bank / Building Society	0
Post Office / Post Depot	1
Public House	3
Cultural Facilities (theatre, museum gallery)	1
Police Station	0
Fire Station	0
Ambulance Depot	0
Total number of community facilities	8

### **Health Facilities within Settlement = None**

**Table 3. Retail Facilities within Settlement** 

Туре	Number
Supermarket	0
Convenience store / local grocery shop	1
Other food outlet	0
Take away food	3
Café	1
Restaurant	1
Petrol station	0
Farm shop	0
Other non-food shops	0
Total number of retail facilities	6

# 3. Employment Provision

**Table 4. Key Employment Opportunities within Settlement** 

Туре	Presence in Settlement (Yes / No)
Public Sector Offices	No
LDP Retail centre	No
Care home	No
Safeguarded / Identified - Industrial Estate / Business Park	No
Other Employment Opportunity (B1/B2/B8) in settlement	No

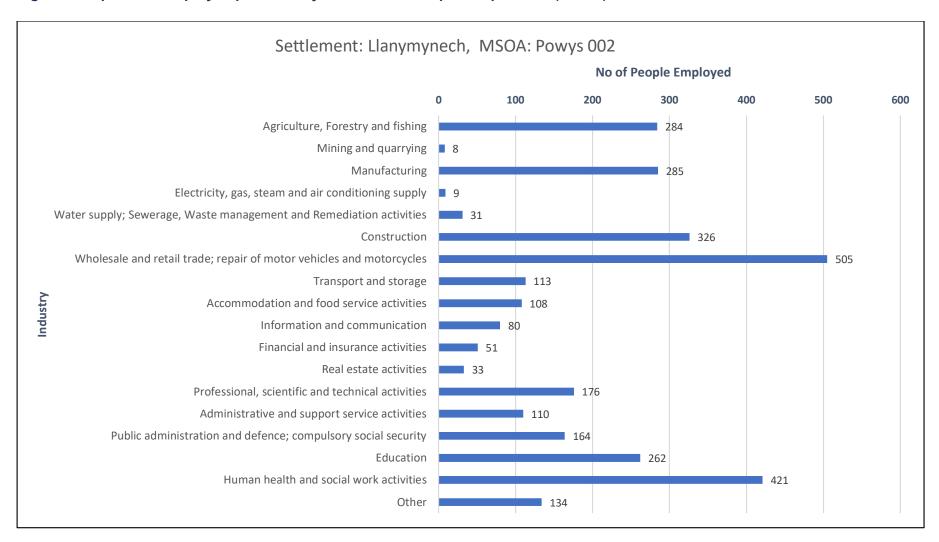
Distance to nearest Safeguarded / Identified industrial estate/business park if not within settlement = 2.1 miles to Four Crosses Industrial Estate

Local employers (employing five or more) in overlapping output areas =  $45^{1}$ 

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Nomis Data (2021)

Figure 2. Population Employed per Industry within Middle Super Output Area (MSOA)



Source: 2021 Census, all usual residents aged 16 years and over in employment the week before the census.

Figure 3. Economic Activity Status of Population within the Output Areas that overlap Settlement (Census 2021)

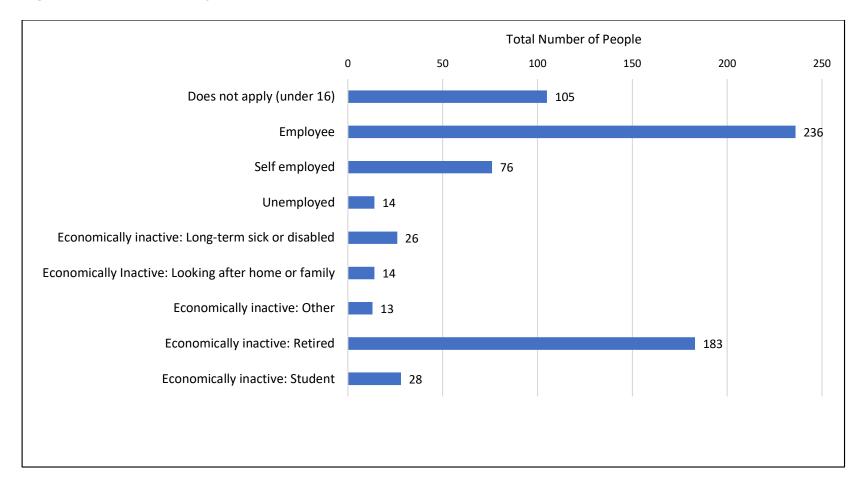
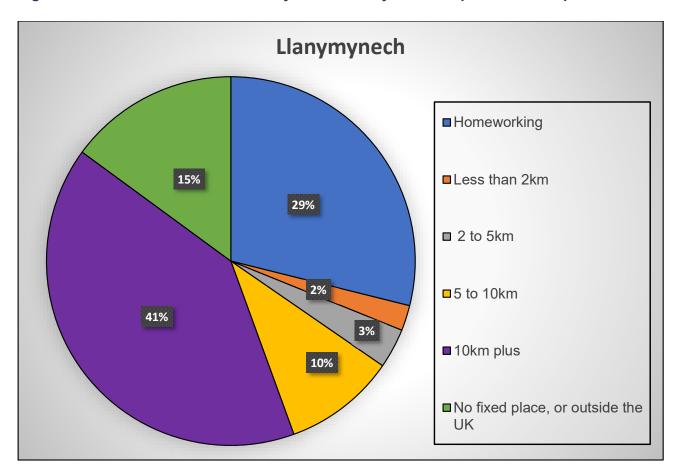
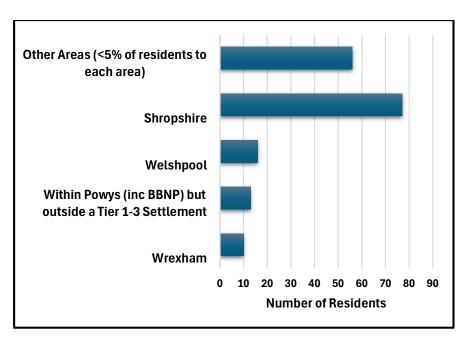


Figure 4. Distance Travelled to Work by Economically Active Population in Output Areas that overlap Settlement (Census 2021)



It is important to note that the 2021 Census was undertaken at a time when Covid 19 restrictions encouraged working from home.

Figure 5. Where Residents Living in Llanymynech Travel to Work (Census 2021)



Data has been categorised by which settlements in the Powys (LDP area) residents travelled to or which Authority area they travelled to. Where less than 5% of the residents of a settlement travel to a place, data has been collated into the 'Other Areas' category.

Table 5. Where Residents Living in Llanymynech Travel to Work (Census 2021)

Settlements / Areas	Residents	Percentage
Other Areas (<5% of residents to each area)	56	33%
Shropshire	77	45%
Welshpool	16	9%
Within Powys (inc BBNP) but outside a Tier 1-3 Settlement	13	8%
Wrexham	10	6%
Grand Total	172	100%

# 4. Environmental Capacity

Table 6. Flood Risk Constraints within or adjacent to Settlement

Constraint	Presence in or adjacent to Settlement
Flood risk DAM (C1/C2)	C2
Flood risk (Flood Map for Wales)	Medium risk from river. High flood risk from surface water to the west

Table 7. Built Heritage Designations within or adjacent to Settlement

Designation	Presence in or adjacent to Settlement Yes / No
World Heritage Site	No
Listed Buildings (including setting)	Yes
Conservation Area	Yes
Scheduled Monument	No
Historic Park and Garden Registered Area	No
Historic Park and Garden Kitchen Garden	No
Historic Landscape	No

**Table 8. Natural Heritage Designations within or adjacent to Settlement** 

Designation	Presence in or adjacent to Settlement Yes / No	Comment
Special Area of Conservation (SAC)	Yes	Montgomery Canal
Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI)	Yes	Montgomery Canal
National Nature Reserve	No	
Local Nature reserve	No	

Table 9. Landscape Designations and other Environmental Constraints that may Restrict Development within or adjacent to Settlement

Designation	Presence in or adjacent to Settlement Yes / No	Comments
National Park	No	
AONB	No	
Coal Resource Safeguarding Area	No	
Agricultural Land Classification grades 3a and above	Yes	2
Topography	Yes	Some rise from south to north - not steep.
Land Ownership (e.g. charitable organisations)	No	

## 5. Infrastructure Capacity

#### **Water Supply**

Water provider: Hafren Dyfrdwy

For water resource planning purposes, Hafren Dyfrdwy subdivide their regions into 'Water Resources Zones' (WRZs). A WRZ is defined as the largest area in which all resources can be shared such that all customers, with some limitations, experience the same risk of supply failure. To ensure that water is available to their customers when it is needed, and in the quantity required, Hafren Dyfrdwy prepares and maintains a Water Resources Management Plan (WRMP) every 5 years which forecasts the long-term supply and demand balance across their water supply area. Hafren Dyfrdwy's current Plan (WRMP19) for the period 2020 - 2025 and work is underway to develop their next Plan (WRMP24) for the period 2025 – 2085.

Llanymynech lies within the Llanfyllin Water Resource Zone (WRZ). This zone is supplied from a bulk import from Hafren Dyfrdwy's neighbouring company, Severn Trent.

WRMP19 concluded that Llanfyllin WRZ is expected to retain surplus across the 25-year planning period.

Hafren Dyfrdwy's WRMP24 looks ahead to 2085 and takes into account updated guidance and guiding principles from Government and their Regulators as well as operational learning from the 2018 dry weather period.

#### **Wastewater Treatment Works (WwTW)**

Wastewater provider: Hafren Dyfrdwy

Table 10. Capacity information at Hafren Dyfrdwy Wastewater Treatment Works

WwTW	Towns and Large villages served	Estimated spare capacity at the WwTW?	Any other comments
Pant – Plas Cerrig	Llanymynech	Probable issue	Site considered for AMP8 (2026-2030) investment to meet growth projections.

#### **Electricity Provision**

Electricity supply provider: SP Energy Networks

Capacity issues: SPEN Distributed Generation Heat Map<sup>2</sup> identifies the network to be in a red category<sup>3</sup>.

#### **Electricity network planned improvements**

#### **Table 11. Electricity Supply Capacity**

Туре	Solution	Flexibility (MW)	Increase in Firm Capacity (MBA)	Expected by	Status
Keeping the lights on	Newtown-Morda 33kV Reinforcement Additional 10MVAr STATCOM at Newton Grid substation, 33/11 kV step up transformer and outdoor circuit breaker. Additional 33kV, 5MVAr MSC and outdoor circuit breaker at Morda Substation.	-	15.0	2027/28	Planned ED2
Modernising to improve flexibility within the network	Newtown-Morda 33kV Flexibility services to manage the network risk during delivery of reinforcement.	24.4	-	2023/24 to 2026/27	Planned ED2

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> SPM Heat Map - SP Energy Networks

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Category: Red – At least one factor is close to its operational limit and so installation of most levels of Distributed Generation and a local connection is highly unlikely. It may also require extensive reinforcement works or given the lack of a local connection, require an extensive amount of sole user assets to facilitate such a connection.

Network area: Legacy Local GT2 / Newtown GT2 / Oswestry GT8 / Welshpool GT1 / Oswestry GT5 / Whitchurch GT1

**Driver:** Fault level

**Table 12. Electricity Supply Capacity** 

Туре	Solution	Flexibility (MW)	Increase in Firm Capacity (MBA)	Expected by	Status
Keeping the lights on	Fault Level Monitoring and Management  Installation of Real Time Fault Level Monitoring equipment and Active Fault Level Monitoring at Oswestry Grid.	-	*	2024/25	Planned ED2

Network area: Legacy Local GT2 / Newtown GT2 / Oswestry GT8 / Welshpool GT1

**Driver:** Asset Modification

**Table 13. Electricity Supply Capacity** 

Туре	Solution	Flexibility (MW)	Increase in Firm Capacity (MBA)	Expected by	Status
Replacement/modernisation of existing apparatus	33kV CB Modernisation 33kV circuit breaker replacements at Milford	-	*	2027/28	Planned ED2

# **Gas Supply**

**Table 14. Gas Supply Capacity and Planned Improvements** 

Gas supply provider	Capacity comments		
Wales and West Utilities	Wales and West Utilities (WWU) has sufficient capacity to maintain network pressures at all times and reinforce for general growth. However, specific reinforcement of the network to support larger loads would be undertaken on a project-by-project basis, as the need arises. This work may involve upsizing local mains, pressure control equipment and higher-pressure feeder mains. Costs will be apportioned between what WWU will fund and the charges to the customer via the use of WWU's Economic Test model.		
	The following considerations would be relevant when considering development of particular sites:		
	<ul> <li>If reinforcement would be required to supply new development</li> <li>Which pressure tier or main would be appropriate to supply the new development</li> <li>Would any WWU mains need to be diverted within the development</li> <li>Identify any risks to supplying the new development i.e. opposite side of motorway, railway or major river course</li> </ul>		
	WWU have an approved Reinforcement Investment Plan currently until 2026. Before this comes to an end, WWU will be working on a new investment plan to see them into the future beyond this point. WWU invest reinforcement in the network to ensure reliability for current and future loads when required.		

#### **Broadband Provision**

**Broadband connection <sup>4</sup> in Settlement:** Yes

**Table 15. Broadband Provision and Planned Improvements** 

Broadband performance	% of properties within Settlement
Broadband speed of >30 Mb/s	96%
Broadband speed of <30 Mb/s	4%

#### **Education Provision**

#### **Table 16. Education Capacity and Surplus**

Education capacity	Capacity	Actual number (2023)	Filled %	Surplus	Surplus %
Carreghofa C. P.	115	114	99.0%	1	1%

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Data correct from Welsh Government OMR, June 2022

#### **Health Care Provision**

There is no GP surgery in Llanymynech. The nearest GP surgery would be at Four Crosses.

**Table 17. GP surgery information** 

GP surgery	Total registered patients	Dispensing service?	Number of dispensing patients	Total number of dispensing patients	Accepting new patients?
Four Crosses Branch Surgery (Llanfyllin Group Practice)	10,224	Yes	8,848	8,848	Yes

Considerations which could affect GP surgeries:

- Care home provision in the area and patient population age.
- The proximity of Four Crosses to the Wales/England border could present challenges in terms of recruiting GPs as GPs would need to be registered on the Welsh Performers List to work in Wales. Some GPs choose not to register in Wales.

#### **Transport**

**Table 18. Transport Capacity and Improvements** 

Highway Authority	Highway capacity comments
Powys Local Highway Authority	A483/B4398 crossroads has poor visibility and is difficult to exit onto from the B roads when the A483 Trunk Road is busy. Any future development along the A4398 would further add to the pressure and issue. Any development would need to be informed by detailed traffic modelling to understand how/if further development could be accommodated. The is a weight limit on the southern access into Llanymynech via the B4398.

# **6. Transport Opportunities**

#### **Active Travel**

Presence of active travel routes within the settlement: No

#### **Bus Services**

Bus stops located within the settlement: Yes

**Table 19. Bus Services within Settlement** 

Service Provision	Yes / No	Comments
'Turn up and go' provision, frequency of approximately every 10 minutes	No	
Medium frequency of service between 10 -30 minutes.	No	
Low frequency of service between 31-60 minutes.	No	
Daily frequency- more than hourly (at least one morning and one late afternoon service to a main centre).	Yes	Services to Wrexham, Machynlleth, Oswestry, Llanfyllin, Shrewsbury,

#### **Electric Vehicle Charging Points**

Provision of Electric Vehicle Charging Point within Settlement = No

#### **Train Services**

**Table 20. Nearest Train Services Related to Settlement** 

Service Provision	Yes / No	Comments
Train station	No	
Less than 5 miles	No	
Between 5-10 miles	Yes	8 miles to Gobowen Train Station. Services to Holyhead, Birmingham New Street, Cardiff Central

#### **Road Services**

Table 21. Nearest Major Road Network (Trunk Road) Related to Settlement

Distance to major road network	Yes / No	Comments
Within / adjacent to settlement	Yes	A483

# 7. Review of Open Spaces in Settlement

Open Space Assessment (2018) correct: Yes

**Spaces to be added to Open Space Assessment:** 0 + PROW data

**Spaces to be deleted from Open Space Assessment:** 0

**Total Number of Open Spaces:** 8

Table 22. Informal Open Spaces (All over 0.2 hectares)

Typology (from Open Space Assessment)	Number of Spaces
Cemeteries and churchyards	2
Amenity greenspace	0
Green corridors	0
Natural and semi-natural green spaces	0
Public parks and gardens	0

**Table 23. Provision for Children and Young People** 

Typology (from Open Space Assessment)	Number of Spaces
Neighbourhood Equipped Areas of Plan (NEAP)	0
Local Equipped Areas of Plan (LEAP)	2
Unequipped Local Areas of Plan (LAPs)	0

**Table 24. Outdoor Sports Facilities** 

Typology (from Open Space Assessment)	Number of Spaces
Outdoor Pitch Sport (including multipurpose pitch)	2
Other Outdoor Sports (e.g. bowling clubs, tennis courts, athletics tracks)	2

Table 25. Public Right of Way

Typology (from Open Space Assessment)	Number of Spaces	Comments
Canals/Aqueduct	1	Montgomery Canal
Riparian Access	Yes	Montgomery Canal, River Vyrnwy
PROW	Yes	Some PROW within settlement including PROW along Montgomery Canal linking to Offa's Dyke
Walkways	Yes	Offa's Dyke National Trail

Number of Allotments / Community Gardens in Settlement: 0

#### 8. Character

Llanymynech lies in the Severn Farmlands Landscape Character Area (LCA) which incorporates the valleys of the Severn and Vyrnwy rivers, with settlements of various sizes including Newtown and Welshpool as the largest settlements, as well as the smaller settlements of Llanfyllin, Montgomery, Llandrinio, Llanfechain and Meifod. The Severn Farmlands LCA wraps around the rolling hills of the Guilsfield LCA to the south and west. It borders the Llanfyllin Farmlands LCA to the north, Pont Llogel LCA and Tregynon LCA to the west, Long Mountain / Breidden Hills LCA to the east and Llandinam to Llandyssil Hillsides LCA to the south. A small unit of the LCA in the south is bordered by the Llandinam to Llandyssil Hillsides LCA to the west, Corndon Hill LCA to the north and Kerry Hills LCA to the south, as well as parts of Shropshire to the north and east.

The LCA is within the Severn Valley National Landscape Character Area (NLCA), Montgomeryshire Hills and Vales NLCA and Shropshire Hills NLCA.

Severn Farmlands LCA is an extensive open valley landscape along the Severn and Vyrnwy rivers and their tributaries. The LCA is low-lying, with a wide floodplain. The Montgomery Canal, which runs broadly parallel to the River Severn between Llanmynech and Aberbechan is designated as a Special Area of Conservation (SAC) / Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI) for its aquatic emergent and marginal plant communities. Llanymynech and Llynclys Hills to the north of Llanymynech is also designated as a SSSI and the area is also identified as Llanymynech Hill Camp, which is a Scheduled Monument comprising of the remains of a hillfort, which is the largest hillfort in Wales.

Offa's Dyke National Trail runs through Llanymynech and the corridor of the mid-18th century and early 19th century Montgomery Canal traverses the north of the village of Llanymynech, and there are numerous listed structures along its course including bridges, aqueducts and limekilns.

Views across the valley are wide, but views out of the LCA tend to be restricted by the enclosing valley sides. There are some expansive views across the LCA from elevated locations including Llanmynech Hill. Elevated and expansive views across the Severn Valley from local hilltops.

# 9. Community Aspirations

Carreghofa Community Council were contacted to understand their aspirations for the local community at an early stage whilst gathering baseline information to inform the Replacement Powys Local Development Plan. A summary of their response is provided below.

Table 26. Table summarising Carreghofa Community Council's Community Aspirations

Community aspirations in terms of:	Summary of feedback
Would you like to see future growth (general) as part of the LDP in your town/community council area?	The Community Council has limited aspirations for growth over the next five years at least. As a basis for this view, the following general points are provided:  • Carreghofa is half of the cross-border Llanymynech community which is bisected by the English/Welsh border, and the A483 trunk road. As a cross-border village any Powysbased planning exercise needs to take this wider context into account. The English half of
	the village is subject to Shropshire Council's Site Allocations and Management of Development (SAMDev) Plan and this outlines aspirations for growth and development up to 2026. The Community Council considers that a whole-village view needs to be taken when assessing the net benefits and impact of any future growth in Llanymynech.
	• Over the last 30 years, the Llanymynech settlement as a whole, on both the English and Welsh sides, has seen significant and brisk growth in new housing and population, without any appreciable growth or diversification of facilities, health care provision, retail facilities, or improvements to access and transport. This has included three housing estates on the Welsh side of the village, and currently two estates on the English side, with more additional housing proposed or under development for the former railway site (English side). Carreghofa Community Council therefore is concerned that the village as a whole is not able to sustain any further development which is unsupported by appreciable infrastructural and support development.
	<ul> <li>One major consideration relates to the A483. This very busy trunk road poses many challenges for the community, in terms of traffic capacity, safety, noise, pollution, and access across either side of the village. Whilst a bypass was identified as a national priority in the UK 2019 Budget Statement, there has been little apparent progress to date.</li> </ul>

Community aspirations in terms of:	Summary of feedback
	The Community Council is concerned that any further commitment to future growth would place further strain on the community until this priority is addressed.  • A further consideration relates to the restoration of the Montgomery Canal and the
	extent this could impact on the village. There is uncertainty about whether or not the restoration and re-opening of the canal will have any appreciable impact on Llanymynech as a whole, and particularly on the Carreghofa (Welsh) side, in terms of increased traffic, tourist growth, and ancillary developments (such as waterside facility developments). Even prior to the re-opening of the canal, there are major considerations associated with the impact of initial works for bridge re-development, and possible canal diversion. This adds further uncertainty to planning for future growth.
	• One key consideration for Carreghofa relates to its character, as a small semi-rural community rich in industrial heritage, natural resources (including protected species), and a historic environment which includes of archaeological interest. Much of the land-area within Carreghofa is dedicated to agricultural use. The Community Council is concerned that any future developments are in keeping with and sympathetic to the strengths, character and demographic profile of the Carreghofa community.
	The view of the Community Council, overall, is that it does not wish to see any significant growth, but rather consolidation, of development within Carreghofa over the next five years at least. The basis for this view is outlined through responses to the headings below.
Aspirations in terms of housing (including affordable housing)	The Community Council has only very limited aspirations for housing growth for the next ten years. Demand for housing is likely to be externally driven, from those wishing to relocate or retire to such an attractive village location, and any additional housing development will therefore place increased demand on all resource areas as outlined in responses below.

Community aspirations in terms of:	Summary of feedback
	Since the mid-1990s Llanymynech has seen intensive housing development. Three sites have been established in Carreghofa on former agricultural land. On the English side of the village there have been at least two housing developments, both currently subject to further extension. All developments have been standard modern ("identikit") housing estates, and they have had a significant impact on village size, character and demographic. The total number of new houses is estimated to be in the region of 200 dwellings. Aside from these major developments, there has also been limited occasional development of single dwellings in appropriate areas.
	The Community Council would support very limited housing development, provided that it was limited in scale, that it had minimal impact on existing resources and constraints, and that it was in keeping with the existing village and community character. A high proportion of the established Carreghofa community is already retired, and there is demand for smaller scale low-rise developments to support the elderly or those wishing to retire to the area because it is an attractive semi-rural community with a high quality of life. Demand for additional affordable housing is relatively limited from within the village community, although it is very likely that there would be external demand for those wishing to move into the area from outside.
	Housing growth is further constrained by the factors outlined below.
Growth in terms of future employment opportunities	Employment opportunities within Carreghofa, and the wider village, are very limited. A high proportion of the Carreghofa community is retired or, if employed, work outside the village area and commute to towns such as Welshpool, Oswestry, Shrewsbury or Wrexham. There are limited opportunities for small-scale enterprises and start-ups, possibly linked to heritage and tourist development, but it is highly unlikely that these will see any major growth and diversification, and this would be subject also to supporting inward investment and infrastructural development.

Community aspirations in terms of:	Summary of feedback
Aspirations in terms of education provision (primary and secondary schools)	Aspirations for education provision are limited. Carreghofa has a single Primary school (current roll of 96). This serves the local community on both sides of the border. It is currently subject to the wider review under the terms of the Powys Transformation Strategy, with the possibility of rationalisation and incorporation into a larger unit. The school is an important component of the village community, having recently celebrated its 110th year, and Carreghofa would wish for it to continue for as long as possible and sustainable as the village's school.  There is no requirement for additional secondary or tertiary education provision: pupils travel to schools at local towns (predominantly Oswestry, Welshpool or Llanfyllin), and
	these arrangements meet local needs.
Aspirations in terms of community facilities and services (e.g. community/village halls, sports centres, libraries, banks/building societies, post offices, public houses)	Carreghofa community is well-served by the Llanymynech Village Hall, located in the Shropshire half of the village. This provides a venue and resources to support the whole village and is accessed by many community groups: Border Pre School, Mothers & Toddlers, Good Companions (over 60s group), and Llanymynech Amateur Dramatic Society, Junior Drama Group, Badminton Club, plus various other Keep Fit groups. The Hall supports a vibrant and diverse community active in the village, as confirmed by its success in securing Montgomery Village of the Year award in 2018. The Council obviously aspires for on-going support and development of its strong community activity and resources too.
	Other facilities are adequate to support the existing community size. The village shop is a key resource which provides limited shopping, post office, banking and community services. Additional services are available in surrounding villages (Four Crosses, Llansantffraid, Llandrinio) or into Oswestry or Welshpool.
	The community has a large number of public houses and takeaways, with three pubs and at least three takeaway businesses within the village. These support the local population, but also the high number of visitors (walkers, tourists and residents at local caravan

Community aspirations in terms of:	Summary of feedback
	parks, and A483 traffic). Even with any additional visitors associated with the reopening of the Montgomery Canal it is likely that current facilities will be sufficient to meet demand.
Aspirations in terms of health care provision in your communities	Carreghofa would welcome any improvement that could be secured for health care provision in the area. Carreghofa residents have to travel to Four Crosses, or into Oswestry or Kinnerley for GP services. These arrangements are currently under strain, with high GP/Patient ratios, and would not support any further growth in the community's population.
	Hospital and ambulance service care depends on provision at Shrewsbury and Telford, or at Wrexham Maelor. Services remain under considerable pressure, with high demand and limited capacity, and the closure of ambulance services at Oswestry has resulted in significant increases in waiting and response times.
Aspirations in terms of public open spaces, sports and play provision	The Carreghofa community is an area of considerable natural beauty, and it attracts large numbers of visitors to its open spaces and natural resources. The Community Council is keen to support sustainable rural tourism (notably linked to the Montgomery Canal restoration, Offa's Dyke path, cycle tracks, rock-climbing, and development of the local heritage area) in terms of improved access, parking facilities, preservation of walking routes, and visitor support facilities.
	Carreghofa has a dedicated play area, supported by the Community Council, although this is currently subject to review because of the possible impact of bridge development associated with the reopening of the Montgomery Canal. This play area is a valuable community resource, and the Community Council wants to ensure its long-term future.
	Sports provision is also assessed as meeting current community need. There is a caged sports field/football ground which is accessed by local youth groups and the local primary school. Additional facilities are available within the wider village, with a football pitch on the Shropshire side, tennis courts and skate park.

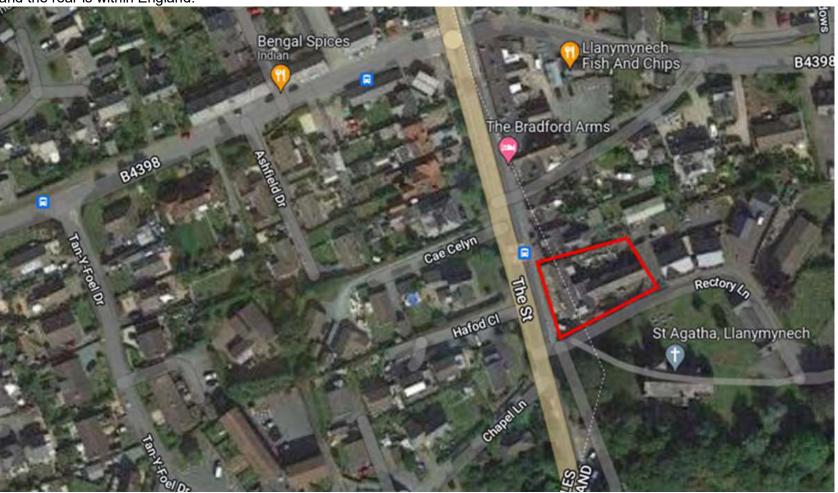
Community aspirations in terms of:	Summary of feedback
Aspirations in terms of retail facilities (shops, supermarkets, cafes/restaurants, petrol filling stations, farm shops etc)	Retail facilities are limited but assessed as being adequate to support the current community. Additional shops, which also include petrol filling stations, are available at Four Crosses, Llansantffraid, for those who are able to travel. In addition to the takeaway businesses noted above there is also a café in the village which serves local residents and visiting traffic and tourists.
Aspirations in terms of access and transport (such as active travel routes, public transport, community transport, park and share facilities, electric vehicle charging network)	The major aspiration for the village is to ensure completion of the A483 bypass. Traffic volumes at peak times are excessive, and the impact on the health and safety of villagers is considerable. There are major safety concerns associated with the junction with the B4398 at Llanymynech, whether for traffic crossing the A483 to travel to Shrewsbury via Knockin, or for traffic joining the A483 itself. A pedestrian crossing has been installed, and this has been welcomed, but problems remain associated with heavy traffic volumes, speeding, frequent roadworks, and near misses. Until the bypass is fully complete, it would be difficult to support any new development which brought with it increased traffic and congestion.
	Public transport is very limited, and the Community Council would aspire for greater frequency in bus times and additional routes, particularly to meet the needs of elderly and younger residents who do not or cannot drive or have access to cars. There are currently two buses to Shrewsbury per day, and a limited number between Oswestry and Welshpool in daytime.  We see limited interest in and demand for charging points at present within the village,
	although we welcome the proposed installation of points in nearby villages.
Summary which describes the long-term vision for your town / community council area.	The Llanymynech community has seen significant development over the last 25 years, with an effective doubling of housing numbers since 1995. It is therefore considered that it is at capacity in relation to the levels of current facilities and supporting infrastructure. The Council would therefore support on-going consolidation, with any future development

Community aspirations in terms of:	Summary of feedback
	subject to key issues (bypass, canal restoration, primary education restructuring) being addressed over the next 5 years, to 2027.
	With its wealth of natural resources, richness of heritage and community spirit it is an attractive place in which to live or to visit. The Council remains committed, however, to the sustainable development of Carreghofa as a thriving, vibrant, semi-rural small village community in the heart of Wales.
Other comments received	None.

# 10. Previously Developed Land Opportunities

The following Previously Developed Land opportunities were identified:

1. Corner property fronting The Street and extending to the rear along Rectory Lane. It sits on the border; the frontage sits within Wales, and the rear is within England.



# 11. Housing Need and Supply

Table 27. Affordable Housing Need (April 2023) within Settlement (1st Preference Band 1-3)

Number of Bedrooms	Total on Common Housing Land Register Waiting List
1	6
2	9
3	1
4	0
TOTAL	16

Total number of new dwellings (net) built between 2011 and 2024 = 7

Median house price paid data 01/04/2020 to 01/04/2023 = £177,450 (Average = £205,538)

Average Household Income (by Locality) = £34,731 (CACI Paycheck GROSS household income 2021)

Replacement LDP Housing Commitments at April 2024 = None