## The role of the Community Council – in summary

Every town and village have a council which is the first level of government. It is the access for everyone to make their views known.

Council raise a precept which is a small amount of money added to the council tax which the Community Council spends as they see fit. This pays for:

- Maintenance and electricity for several street lights
- Jointly funding improvements to playgrounds
- Funding the summer playscheme
- Organising and funding community celebrations such as the litter pick, Christmas tree light switch on, national events
- Providing grants to the Village Centre including the production of a newsletter distributed to all residents
- Maintenance of the Council website
- Maintenance of the dog walking area, the wildflower meadow, orchards and beehives.
- Maintenance of the Village Defibrillator (and currently working on installing a second unit in Cadole)

The Community Council is also invited to comment on Planning Applications. In this context the Council produced a Community Development Plan in 2012.

Further information including contact details can be found on <u>www.gwernymynydd.org.uk</u>