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Views welcomed on the Powys we want

Residents across the county are invited to put forward their views on a draft plan which aims to improve the well-being of individuals, communities and the county as a whole by 2040.

The plan which has to be published this Spring under legislation called the Well-being of Future Generations Act sets out 15 key well-being steps which aim to deliver for Powys residents on things like better broadband, improving mental health services and travelling around Powys.

Cllr Rosemarie Harris, Chair of the Powys Public Service Board, who have produced the plan said: "This plan sets out the Powys we want to see by 2040 and has 15 well-being steps listed within it which have been chosen as the key priorities for the next three years. The steps were chosen after lots of research and consultation with residents who ranked the topics they felt were key to improve their well-being and that of their community.

"From offering young people more apprenticeships to protecting our environment and looking at options for green energy and adventure tourism to boost our economy, we're keen to ask one more time if we've got the right things listed before we move into action."

The Act places an emphasis on key public sector partners working more collaboratively together to boost well-being with support from the voluntary and other partner agencies – like the Brecon Beacons National Park.

Views can be given via www.powys.gov.uk/haveyoursay up to Sunday 11 February 2018.

Engagement officers have been and will be continuing to run drop in sessions in libraries and visiting community groups to hear from as many people as possible. Interested groups can contact consultation@powys.gov.uk

Dates for drop in sessions at libraries and supermarkets are:

- Wednesday 17 January at Montgomery Library, 3-5pm
- Friday 19 January at Ystradgynlais Welfare Hall, 10am-12pm
- Monday 22 January at Machynlleth Library, 10am-12pm
- Monday 22 January at Welshpool Library, 4.30-6.30pm
- Tuesday 23 January at Llanfair Caereinion Library, 10am-1pm
- Tuesday 23 January at Newtown Library, 2-4.30pm
- Tuesday 23 January at Presteigne Library, 10-11am
- Wednesday 24 January at Tesco, Llandrindod Wells, 9.30am -12.30pm
- Wednesday 24 January at Coelbren Welfare Hall, 11am -12noon

- Thursday 25 January at Ystradgynlais Library, 10am-11am
- Thursday 25 January at Abercraf Welfare Hall, 11am -12noon
- Saturday 27 January at Builth Wells Co-op (top store), 10am-12noon
- Thursday 1 February at Knighton Library, 10am-12.30pm
- Saturday 3 February at Tesco, Ystradgynlais, 1 -3pm
- Monday 5 February at Rhayader Library, 2-4pm.
- Tuesday 6 February at Brecon Library, 1 -3pm
- Friday 9 February at Tesco, Llandrindod Wells, all day

People can also drop by both Newtown and Llandrindod Wells Fire Station anytime between 9am – 5pm, Monday to Friday to have their say on the plan.

The three drop in sessions in Ystradgynlais at the Welfare Halls will be run by Dyfed Powys Police as long as there are no emergencies.

1. The statutory members which make up the Powys Public Service Board are Powys County Council, Powys Teaching Health Board, Mid and West Wales Fire Service and Natural Resources Wales. Go to: <http://gov.wales> and search under the title of the act.
2. The legislation sets out 7 well-being goals and 5 principles by which the statutory bodies need to abide. See the link below for background information on these. <http://www.powys.gov.uk/en/community-development/sustainability-and-the-council/>
3. Paper copies of the well-being documents and the survey are available in all Powys libraries for people who cannot access them online or prefer to respond in this way.

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