

**CCC Planning Training Workshop run by Planning Aid Wales
(Charity)**

Monday 7th September at Canolfan Rheidol

Trainer was Elwyn Thomas

The workshop brought community representatives together to learn about the new changes to the Planning System in Wales and to the Welsh Government's commitment to building the capacity of communities to engage creatively with planning.

We are asked... 'what do you want from planning'my answer was about **Clarity and Consistency!**

How many of us read the planners report?....not that many!!

Apparently CCC has the highest incidences of Planning Committee going against the Officers recommendations!!

Early next year we will have a new **Planning Act in Wales** that will highlight and emphasis the need for better community engagement with communities and the public.

We talked a lot about community benefit and engaging with our communities.....Borth & Penparcau already doing this!!

The LDP is not written in tablets of stone and there should be a review in 4years!

How Planning applications will look in the future:

Application Types:

Outline / reserved / full

Developments of National significance....WG

Direct applications.....WG

Pre-application community consultation

Decision makers:

Local Planning Authority

Planning Inspectorate

The Trainer suggested that we should be the drivers to make sure there is enough community consultation e.g. Community Councils coming together as collectives

County Forum maybe

Big emphasis on Community Consultation!!

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