

Crynodeb o ganlyniadau arolwg ecodyfi a chyfeiriad ecodyfi at y dyfodol I baratoi ar gyfer Cyfarfod Cyffredinol Blynyddol 30 Tachwedd 2023

Anfonwyd dolen **arolwg ar-lein** at aelodau ecodyfi gydag e-bost, ynghyd ag aelodau'r Bwrdd, staff a chyn staff, aelodau Partneriaeth Biosffer Dyfi, Cynghorau Tref a Chymuned nad ydynt yn aelodau, a thua 50 o randdeiliaid eraill. Anfonwyd llythyrau at aelodau ecodyfi heb gyfeiriadau e-bost, ac e-bostiwyd tua 50 o danysgrifwyr i wefannau ecodyfi. Y gyfradd ymateb oedd 66 o 327 (20%). Mae'n rhaid inni gofio nad yw ymatebion yn cynrychioli'r gymuned gyfan. Dim ond 9 o bobl ddewisodd ateb yn Gymraeg.

Y prosiectau canlynol oedd y rhai mwyaf adnabyddus, mewn trefn:

1. Biosffer Dyfi (57)
2. Tyfu Dyfi (49)
3. Caffi Trwsio (43)
4. Hwb Cymunedol (40)
5. Camerâu thermol ac e-feic cynlluniau (39)

Pa mor llwyddiannus fu ecodyfi wrth gwrdd â'r tri nod cydberthynol? 3.8 allan o 5 ar gyfartaledd.

Y canllawiau mwyafrifol ar gwmpas ein gwaith oedd ei gadw'n eang, gan gydnabod cysylltiadau rhwng pynciau, heb or-ymestyn ein gallu i gyflawni'n effeithiol. Cafwyd awgrymiadau hefyd i ganolbwyntio'n bennaf ar yr amgylchedd, hinsawdd a natur – a chysylltiad pobl â hyn. Roedd hyn yn cynnwys gweithio i Fiosffer Dyfi, cydweithio ac osgoi dyblygu.

Roedd cefnogaeth sylweddol i'r rôl o gefnogi grwpiau a mentrau llai, er bod llawer o bobl yn cydnabod y gall hyn gymryd llawer o amser di-dâl ac y gallai fod yn well canolbwyntio ar lai o brosiectau gyda mwy o effaith.

Gan ystyried **cyfeiriad yn y dyfodol**, tra bod y Bwrdd yn dal i ystyried y sylwadau manwl, bydd yn dod â chynigion i'r Cyfarfod Cyffredinol Blynyddol fel a ganlyn.

Darparu cymaint o gefnogaeth i Fiosffer Dyfi ag sy'n ymarferol, gan gofio'r angen:

- I amser staff gael ei gwmpasu gan incwm;
- Eglurder ynghylch rolau a llywodraethu;
- Peidio ag anghefnogi cyfraniadau gan bartneriaid eraill.

Ar gyfer 2024/25, y cynnig yw recriwtio olynnydd i'n Rheolwr, Andy Rowland, gyda Swydd Ddisgrifiad a fydd yn cynnwys:

- Cydlynu Biosffer Dyfi;
- Datblygu prosiectau i'w brandio fel Biosffer Dyfi (yn y rhan fwyaf o achosion);
- Mynd ati i oruchwylio'r prosiect Rhwydweithiau Natur ar gyfer yr afon Dyfi (os caiff ei ariannu) a cham newydd Tyfu Dyfi ym Mhowys;
- Rheoli a datblygu'r cwmni (staff, Bwrdd, cyllid ac ati).
- Bydd y contract datblygu blwyddyn hwn yn cael ei ariannu'n bennaf o gronfeydd wrth gefn ecodyfi.

Mae Ecodyfi'n fodlon mynd ymhellach ac ail-frandio fel Biosffer Dyfi os a phan fydd y Bartneriaeth Biosffer yn gofyn i ni wneud hynny. Byddai hynny'n gofyn am newidiadau i lywodraethu ac efallai'r cyfansoddiad.

Summary of ecodyfi survey results and ecodyfi's future direction In preparation for the AGM 30 November 2023

The online survey link was sent to members of ecodyfi with email, plus Board members, staff and former staff, members of the Dyfi Biosphere Partnership, Town and Community Councils not in membership, and about 50 other stakeholders. Ecodyfi members without email addresses were sent letters, and about 50 subscribers to the ecodyfi websites were emailed. The response rate was 66 from 327 (20%). We have to remember that responses do not represent the community as a whole. Only 9 people chose to answer in Welsh.

The following projects were the most well-known, in rank order:

1. Dyfi Biosphere (57)
2. Tyfu Dyfi (49)
3. Repair Café (43)
4. Community Hub (40)
5. Thermal camera and e-bike schemes (39)

How successful has ecodyfi been in meeting the three inter-relating aims? Average 3.8 out of 5.

The majority guidance on our scope of work was to keep it broad, recognising connections between subjects, while not over-stretching our ability to deliver effectively. There were also suggestions to focus mostly on the environment, climate and nature - and people's connection to this. This included working for the Dyfi Biosphere, collaborating and avoiding duplication.

There was significant support for the role of supporting smaller groups and initiatives, although many people recognised this can take a lot of unpaid time and that it may be better to focus on fewer projects with more impact.

Considering future direction, while the Board is still considering the detailed comments, it will bring proposals to the AGM along the following lines.

Provide as much support to the Dyfi Biosphere as is feasible, bearing in mind the need:

- For staff time to be covered by income;
- For clarity over roles and governance;
- Not to discourage contributions from other partners.

For 2024/25, the proposal is to recruit a successor to our Manager, Andy Rowland, with a Job Description that will include:

- Coordinating the Dyfi Biosphere;
- Developing projects to be branded as Dyfi Biosphere (in most cases);
- Actively overseeing the Nature Networks project for the river Dyfi (if funded) and the new phase of Tyfu Dyfi in Powys;
- Managing and developing the company (staff, Board, funding etc).

This one-year development contract will be funded largely from ecodyfi's reserves.

Ecodyfi is willing to go further and re-brand as the Dyfi Biosphere if and when the Biosphere Partnership asks us to. That would require changes to governance and perhaps the constitution.