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Experiencing Conservation in a rural Ceredigion village
June – July 2021 (1908097)

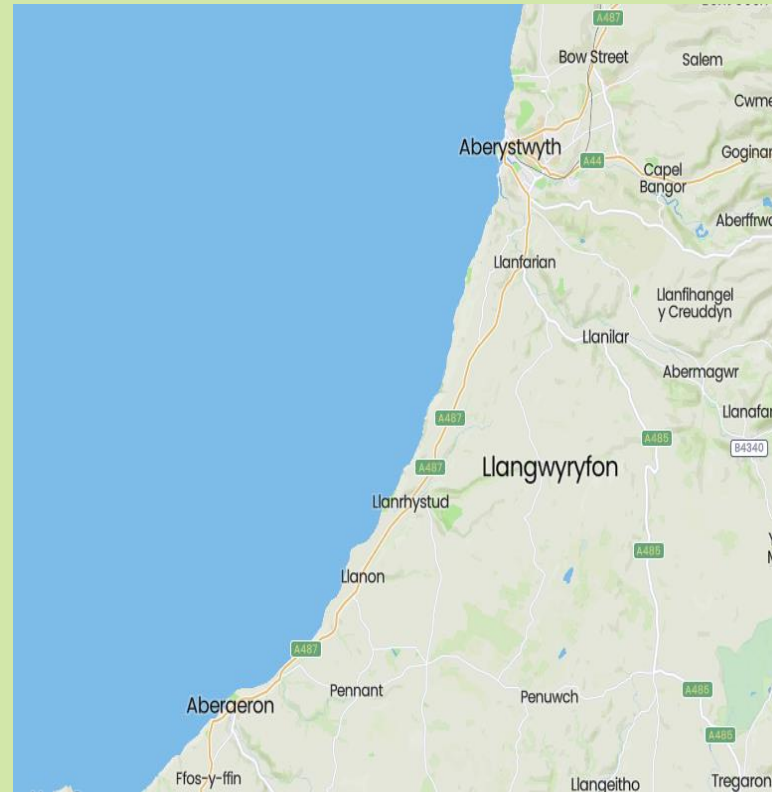
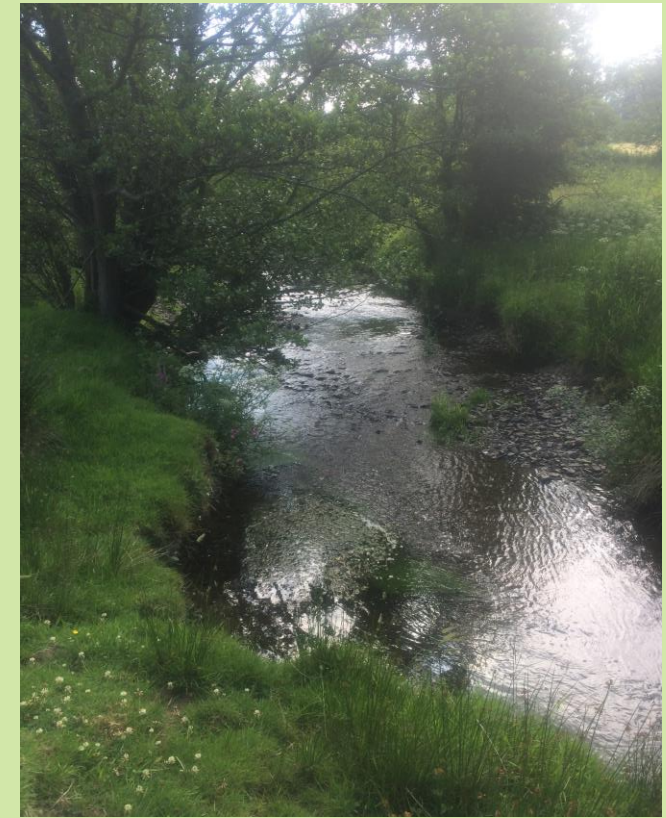


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Llangwryfon, Aberystwyth, Ceredigion, Cymru.

Llan – church of & gwryddon – the 11,000 virgins martyred alongside St Ursula, to whom the village church is dedicated.

What I already do.....

- Litter pick
- Compost
- Collect water
- Grow my own veg
- Eat a vegetarian diet
- Recycle
- Have a wild area in the garden
- Feed the birds
- Have water available for wildlife
- Buy Welsh or British
- Donate to WWF



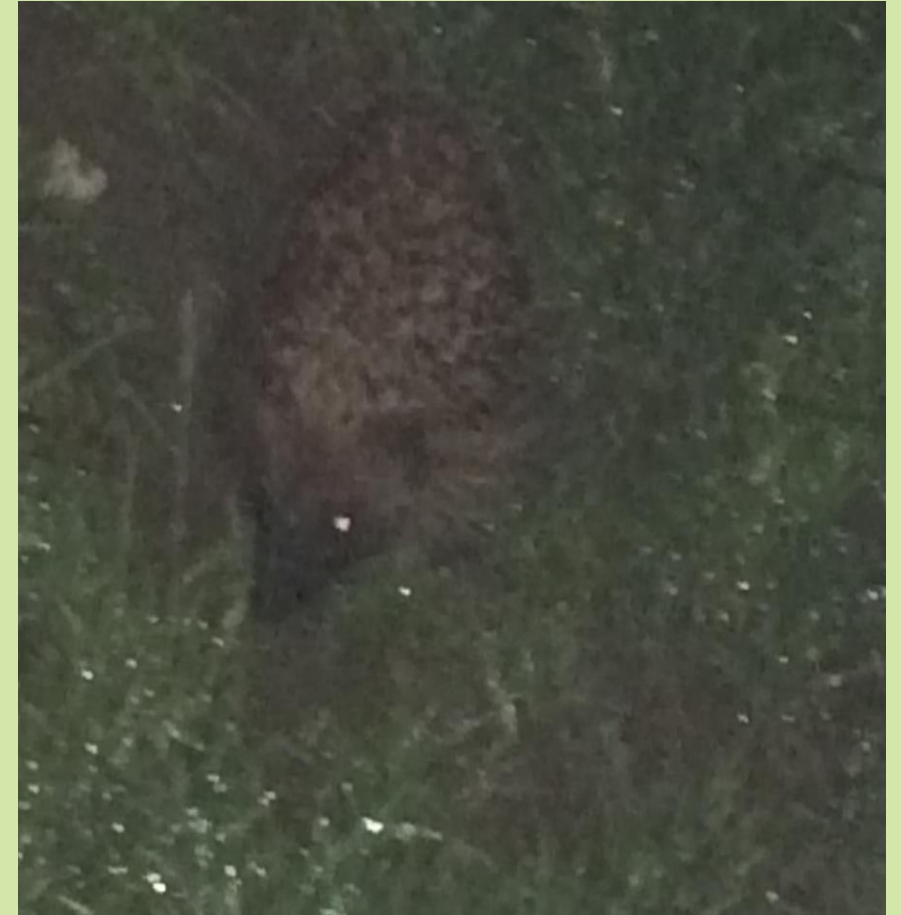
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This cheeky squirrel visits the bird feeders every morning and if he can't open the feeders he eats what has fallen on to the floor.

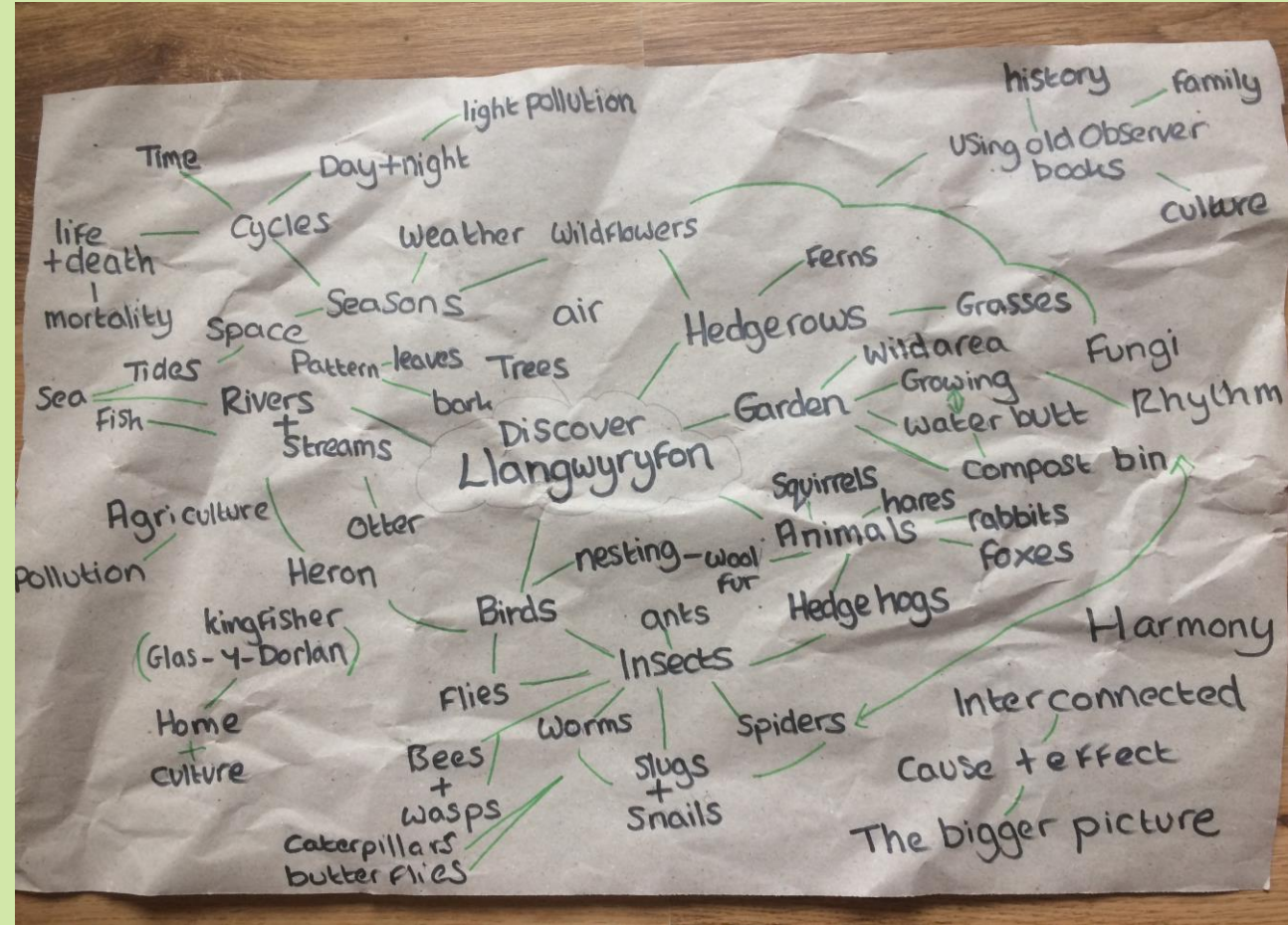


Late one night we could hear a rustling from the adjacent field, further investigation led us to this hedgehog looking for a tasty supper.

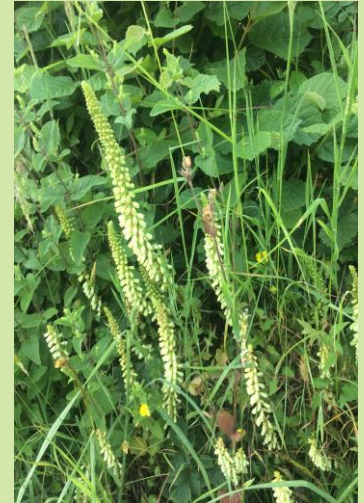
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Big-Leaf Avens



Image: Lewis (2017).

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Geum macrophyllum Large-leaved Avens

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I was very puzzled by this plant as it obviously was a Geum but much larger than woodland Geum species I'd seen before. The leaves seemed very large and when I looked it up the vernacular name Large-leaved Avens seemed to fit this plant perfectly.

It is an introduction which originates from north east Asia or possibly North America. There are very few sites in England, none in Ireland and the greatest frequency of records is in Cardiganshire in Wales and in northern Scotland around the Inverness area where this one was found.

Woods near Beaully 17th May 2007

Added on 1st February 2008, updated 26th January 2009, updated 2nd April 2010

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Robin goch

Robin goch ar ben y rhiniog
a'i ddwy aden fach anwydog
ac yn dwedyd was yn smala
“Mae hi'n oer, mi ddaw yn eira”.

Robin goch ar ben y Berwyn
dweud daw gwyn yn hুলio'r gwanwyn
ac yn dwedyd was yn smala
“Mae hi'n oer, mi ddaw yn eira”.

Robin goch ar ben y rhiniog
yn gofyn tamaid, heb un geinog
ac yn dwedyd was yn smala
“Mae hi'n oer, mi ddaw yn eira

Hawlfraint (2021)

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The importance of insects

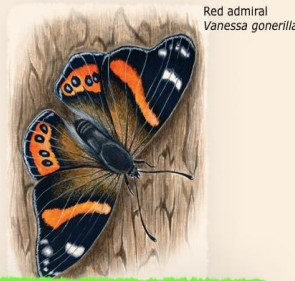
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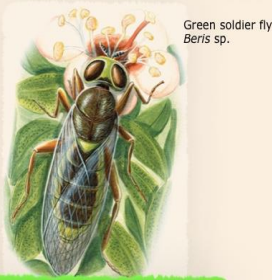
Beetles
Coleoptera



Ants, bees and wasps
Hymenoptera



Butterflies and moths
Lepidoptera



Flies
Diptera



True bugs
Hemiptera

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- Decomposers
- Recyclers
- Biological controllers of other species
- Pollinators
- Food source for other species
- Royal Entomological Society (2016)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KgZ_YdKPMdM

Conserve....

How to build a log pile



1. Choose a spot – sunny and shady spots attract different insects, somewhere near flowers provides nectar
2. Arrange the wood however you like
3. Collect dead wood (preferably from your own garden)
4. Sprinkle with some earth or brash, and wildflower seed if you want
5. Wait.....

We look, but do we really see
The way the light dances on the surface of the river
The colours, brighter and richer than any made by man
Or the luminous glow from a television screen.

We hear, but do we really listen
To the rushing of the wind through grasses and trees
The sweet morning chorus, waking us from slumber
The scream of an aeroplane overhead.

We breathe in, but do we really smell
The fragrant honeysuckle with its heady scent heavy on the air
The clean salty mist floating in
The acidic tang of diesel fumes as the tractor rolls by.

We touch, but do we really feel
The soft, damp grass between our toes
Glossy, shiny pebbles at the waters edge
And hard tarmac jarring under our plastic-soled shoes.

We taste, but do we really absorb
The way the rain and sun kiss the ripening fruits
The soft snowflake that lands on the tongue of an open-mouthed child
The way that nature is woven in our past, present and future.



Sara Llwyd, 2021.

And the journey continues.....