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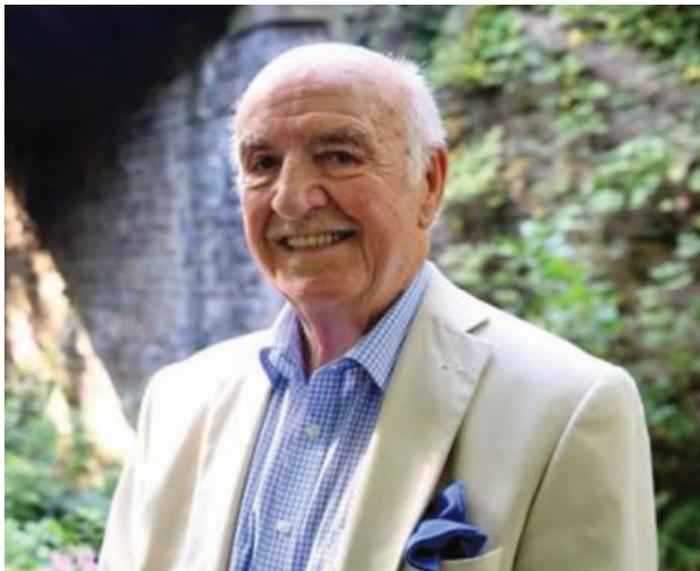


CYNGOR CYMUNED PENTYRCH

Gwanwyn Spring 2021

Rhif No. 111

### Don Llewellyn



It was with great sadness that we learned of the passing recently of Don Llewellyn and our condolences go to his wife Avril and his children Ceri and Gwynfor.

Don has been a great friend to the Community Council over many years. He was always the one to whom the Council would turn with any matters of History. He regularly contributed to the Community Link and it was Don who wrote almost all of the Centenary Link we published to mark the 100 years of the Council as well as providing nearly all the photos. The museum in our offices was inspired by Don.

Last year the Council were delighted to confer him as an Honorary Freeman of Pentyrch.

Don will be missed by our staff and Councillors who always welcomed his visits to the Council office. There are several tributes to Don elsewhere in this issue from organisations that he worked with over many years. He will certainly be sadly missed. Helena Fox for PCC

Tristwch mawr a ddysgon ni am farwolaeth Don Llewellyn yn ddiweddar ac mae ein cydymdeimlad yn mynd at ei wraig Avril a'i blant Ceri a Gwynfor.

Mae Don wedi bod yn ffrind mawr i'r Cyngor Cymuned dros flynyddoedd lawer. Ef bob amser oedd yr un y byddai'r Cyngor yn troi ati gydag unrhyw faterion Hanes. Cyfrannodd yn rheolaidd at y Cyswllt Cymunedol a Don a ysgrifennodd bron pob un o'r Cyswllt Canmlwyddiant a gyhoeddwyd gennym i nodi 100 mlynedd y Cyngor yn ogystal â darparu bron pob un o'r lluniau. Cafodd yr amgueddfa yn ein swyddfeydd ei hysbrydoli gan Don. Roedd y Cyngor yn falch o'i roi fel Rhyddfreniwr Anrhydeddus Pentyrch

Bydd ein staff a'n Cyngorwyr yn colli Don a oedd bob amser yn croesawu ei ymweliadau â swyddfa'r Cyngor. Mae sawl teyrnged i Don mewn manau eraill yn y rhifyn hwn gan sefydliadau y bu'n gweithio gyda nhw dros nifer o flynyddoedd. Yn sicr, fe'i collir yn anffodus

### Photograph Competition

At the beginning of January, the Admin of the Pentyrch Community Page on Facebook ran a second photo competition to replace the Group photograph on the Community page and the Pentyrch and Creigiau Hub page. We had some beautiful pictures of the village and surrounding countryside entered by children and adults.

The competition was open for a week and was voted on by points awarded for the number of likes and hearts.

It was quite close between most popular pictures, but the eventual winner was Richard Lloyd with his picture "Top of the Garth – Perfect Sunrise". This is now the Group Picture on the Community Page.

Second place went to Craig Macdonald with his picture "The Garth – Frosty Heart", which is now the Group Picture on the Hub page.



All the photographs that were entered can be viewed on Pentyrch Community Page by clicking on the magnifying glass at the top and entering #photocomp.

The competition led me to the idea of producing a Charity Community Calendar to raise much needed funds for our wonderful Primary School and for P.A.R.C (Pentyrch Active Recreation Committee) which raises funds to equip the Memorial Park.

The photos for the calendar would again be picked through competition on the Community Page.

Full details are still to be finalised. Denise Probert



What we find underneath a snowman

### Council Meetings

Due to Covid-19, PCC now holds meetings online via Microsoft Teams. Meetings will be held under the following Welsh Statutory Instrument: The Local Authorities (Coronavirus)(Meetings)(Wales) Regulations 2020. The requirement for the press and public to be present is temporarily suspended. This is completely new territory for town and community councils but we will do our best to keep the business of representing our communities functioning as best we can in these extraordinary times. Emergency procedures are in place as set out in the March 16 Minutes. Pentyrch Community Council holds its main meetings on the 3rd Monday of every month except August.

### Cyfarfodydd y Cyngor

Oherwydd Covid-19, mae CSP bellach yn cynnal cyfarfodydd ar-lein trwy Dimau Microsoft. Bydd cyfarfodydd yn cael eu cynnal o dan yr Offeryn Statudol Cymreig canlynol: Rheoliadau Awdurdodau Lleol (Coronafirws) (Cyfarfodydd) (Cymru) 2020. Mae'r gofyniad i'r wasg a'r cyhoedd fod yn bresennol yn cael ei atal dros dro. Mae hon yn diriogaeth hollol newydd i gynghorau tref a chymuned ond byddwn yn gwneud ein gorau i gadw'r busnes o gynrychioli ein cymunedau i weithredu orau y gallwn yn yr amseroedd rhyfeddol hyn. Mae gweithdrefnau brys ar waith fel y'u nodwyd yng Nghofnodion Mawrth 16. Mae Cyngor Cymuned Pentyrch yn cynnal ei brif gyfarfodydd ar y 3ydd dydd Llun o bob mis ac eithrio mis Awst.

### Community Link

Last date for items in the next issue is

**09 May 21. 9:00pm**

Items submitted will only be included subject to available space on a first come basis. Articles should be limited to 250 words where possible and should be sent to the Council Clerk or to any Councillor.

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Minutes of meetings of Pentyrch Community Council as well as back-numbers of Community Link are available on the Council's website.

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Mae cofnodion cyfarfodydd Cyngor Cymuned Pentyrch yn ogystal ag ôl-rifynnau o Cwlwm Bro ar gael ar wefan y Cyngor.

### SUBMITTING ARTICLES FOR THE COMMUNITY LINK

When submitting an entry for inclusion in the Community link contributors are requested to take note of the following:-

- Articles should not exceed more than 250 words. If your submission is longer than this it may well be summarised or have to be omitted.
- Articles must not be submitted as pdf files as they cannot easily be adjusted to suit the column sizes.
- Photographs should be submitted as photographs (jpg files).
- The photographs should not be reduced in size or definition.

Stuart Thomas Editor

### Cwlwm Bro

Dyddiad olaf am erthyglau ar gyfer y rhifyn nesaf

**09 Mai 21. 9:00pm**

Dim ond ar sail y cyntaf i'r felin y bydd yr eitemau a gyflwynir yn cael eu cynnwys. Dylir cyfyngu erthyglau i 250 gair os yn bosib a dylid ei danfon i Glerc y Cyngor neu unrhyw Gynghorydd.

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# Community Council Highlights

## PCC HIGHLIGHTS

We hope you all had a very Happy Christmas despite all the restriction on who we could spend time with. We continue to send you our best wishes during this very difficult time. It looks as though we will all be living with various levels of restrictions into the spring, at least. So, the usual wishes for a Happy New Year seem both rather strange to say and yet more important than ever. Let's hope for a happy and healthy 2021.

We are doing our best to let you know when we hear anything official that affects our local area. For those of you who can, please keep an eye on our Facebook page and our website [www.pentyrch.cc](http://www.pentyrch.cc) where there are links to Cardiff and Welsh Government websites that are regular updated.

We continue to hold all our meetings online via Microsoft Teams and you will find a login link at the bottom of each agenda should you wish to join us. You are welcome.

The office staff continue to work from home and while the office is closed to the public we are sorry that the library has to remain closed. We are keeping up the supply of recycling and food waste bags at the office.

I would like to thank our staff for all they have done to keep looking after the community as best they can in these difficult times.

PCC is continuing to work to establish a Youth Council to give our young residents an opportunity to participate and make their views known. However, this has been held up by the latest lockdown restrictions but we will keep moving forward as best we can.

## FAIRMEADOW

PCC leases Fairmeadow, Pentyrch from Cardiff on a 999 year lease that started back in 1996 when PCC signed with what was then Taff Ely Borough Council. A number of people have asked us about using the field for growing projects like allotments or a community orchard. The lease allows the land to be used for recreational purposes and we are discussing with Cardiff whether and how we can get consent to use it for the kinds of projects you have suggested. Once this is sorted out we will be contacting you for more specific suggestions on what you would like to do and see there.

## FREEWOMEN AND FREEMEN OF PENTYRCH

PCC has the power to admit local residents to be Honorary Freewomen or Freemen of Pentyrch. This is under the Location Government Act 1972, Section 249. The honour is a way of paying tribute to those who have rendered eminent service to our community and confers no material honour or special privilege. It is purely and simply for merit.

We are delighted to list here the first recipients of this honour:

Don Llewellyn of Pentyrch for his lifetime of service to Pentyrch, its History Society and friend to PCC and its museum

Christine Priday of Pentyrch for her service to PCC and as County and District Councillor, Pentyrch Village Hall and many other local community groups

Penri Williams of Pentyrch for his service to PCC and County Councillor, promoting the Welsh language and many local community groups

Doug Castle of Gwaelod y Garth for his work on the Lan Memorial and Christmas volunteering with local children

Brynmor Jones of Creigiau for his service to PCC, a founding member of Creigiau Neighbourhood Watch and the poppy collection for the Royal British Legion

All recipients were notified of this award in November. We will present actual awards when we can all meet again. Sadly, Don Llewellyn's will be presented in memorium but he knew of and was delighted by being made a Freeman of Pentyrch.

## PCC NOTICEBOARDS

You will have seen that some new PCC noticeboards are up and there are some more to go. We need planning consent for one in Capel Llanilltern.

A number of you have contacted PCC about the fact that the PCC name on the header was in English only. This was an error when placing the order. We regret this mistake. As soon as this was drawn to our attention we made arrangements to obtain bilingual headers although the replacements have been delayed because of the pandemic lockdowns. The new headers should be in place very shortly.

## COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

Cllr Sandie Rosser, Gwaelod y Garth Ward, would like to say a big thank you to all the Gwaelod Villagers who contributed to the "Tin on a wall" initiative for the Trussell Trust food bank on December 8th. With very little notice and publicity a magnificent amount was collected, which was much appreciated.

Together with Pentyrch, 1,942 various item of tins, packets and bottles were donated. Special thanks must go to the Gwaelod Inn for taking in contributions; Ann Gray and Lindsey Patmore for going around the village and collecting from "the walls".

[The Tin on the Wall initiative is a way for people to make donations to their local food bank by leaving tins and packages on their garden wall for safe collection by local volunteers]



Cllr Sandie Rosser has worked with Cardiff Council to replace a lost plaque on a bench that commemorates the life of a previous Clerk to Pentyrch Community Council: Will George. Mr George was Clerk to what was then called Pentyrch Parish Council from 1952 to 1976. The bench is on the zigzag path in Gwaelod and now has a shiny new plaque. Thanks also go to Timpsons who made the plaque and, because of a few glitches, kindly made no charge.

## FACEBOOK

Rather than friend requests we ask you to please like/follow our Facebook page to stay connected. We aim to provide residents with various useful, important information. Whilst the opening hours are Monday - Friday, 9.00pm -1.00pm

**Please note** that due to the current restrictions we are working from home. If you require a response during these office hours please email [clerk@pentyrch.cc](mailto:clerk@pentyrch.cc) and/or [office@pentyrch.cc](mailto:office@pentyrch.cc). or phone 029 20891417 (messages are picked up every Friday a.m.)

You can also visit our website for up-to-date information [www.pentyrch.cc](http://www.pentyrch.cc)

## THE GARTH

PCC owns much, but not all, of the Garth. Ownership of other parts of it can be complicated to establish with some owned by Natural Resources Wales and some in private ownership.

During 2020 many more people were walking in the community with many of you going up onto the Garth to enjoy the spectacular views.

We are delighted that so many people are enjoying the outdoors but it does stress the environment, footpaths, gates and styles. This has not been helped by cyclists, horses and motorbikes straying off their designated routes.

Much of the Garth is Common Land with farm animals allowed to graze. It is also home to our local wildlife. Dogs are welcome but should be kept on leads to prevent them from chasing sheep and other livestock. This is always dangerous for the sheep and, potentially, for the dogs. When sheep are in lamb there is a serious risk of the lambs aborting. This is a terrible waste of life and a serious financial loss for the farmer.

There are legal consequences for dog owners. Under the Dogs (Protection of Livestock) Act 1953, if a dog worries sheep on agricultural land, the person in charge of the dog is guilty of an offence. The Act considers sheep worrying to include attacking sheep, chasing them in a way that may cause injury, suffering, abortion or loss of produce. If your dog worries livestock you may end up being sued for compensation and, in some circumstances, farmers are legally entitled to shoot dogs if they are endangering their sheep.

While there have long been signs explaining the rules of using the Garth, we are going to install new clearer signage.

We are putting together a list of improvements and repairs that are needed on the Garth and welcome any suggestions from you. Please email [clerk@pentyrch.cc](mailto:clerk@pentyrch.cc). Our Wellbeing and Climate Change Working Group is leading on this. We will then work with Cardiff Council, Natural Resources Wales, Cadw and other groups to make the improvements.

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## DOG CONTROLS

Cardiff Council are now to legally seal and implement the Public Spaces Protection Orders in relation to dog controls across Cardiff. See <https://www.cardiff.gov.uk/ENG/resident/Leisure-parks-and-culture/Public-Spaces-Protection-Orders/Pages/default.aspx>

## PCC COMMUNITY SUPPORT FUND

Each year PCC sets money aside for grants to our community. The sums are not large but they help the local groups and organizations who apply successfully.

During 2020 there were projects that we could not carry out because of Covid-19 and many of you were unable to do the things you had planned too. So PCC decided to set up a Community Support Fund to bring together unspent money from our projects together with money added in the budget for 2021-2022. As things stand now, we have £4,800 in this Fund. Once the accounts are completed after March 31 and we can see where the Council stands financially we hope to move more money into this Fund. Once we know how much money there is we will let you know the application process but if you would like to send us a general expression of interest in the meantime we will be happy to keep a note of it. Projects should improve the wellbeing, environment, society or culture of our community. They should benefit members of the community, not individuals.

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## CENSUS 2021

### SUNDAY MARCH 21 2021

The Census takes place every 10 years and the next one takes place on March 21. You will see more information on this elsewhere in this issue. PCC are helping by already posting information on Facebook.

We will all be sent information to our homes by the Office for National Statistics Census team and you will be able to submit your information using the form or online.

All kinds of organisations, from local authorities to charities, use the information to help provide the services we all need, including transport, education and healthcare. Without the Census, it would be much more difficult to do this.

The safety of your information is the top priority at the Office for National Statistics. No one can identify you in the Census statistics the ONS publishes. It makes sure they contain none of your personal information. Your Census record is kept secure for 100 years and only then can future generations see it.

By taking part, you'll be helping make sure you and your community get the services needed now and in the future.

For those of you interested in family history, the 1921 Census information will be published online in January 2022.

## CREIGIAU RECREATION AREA

### LEASE BETWEEN PCC & CRC/EHC

After a long negotiation a lease between PCC and the Creigiau Recreation Charity/Elusen Hamdden Creigiau was signed on Christmas Eve 2020.

PCC own the freehold of the Rec and the allotments beyond it. CRAMC originally approached PCC for a lease so that it could apply for large grants to make significant upgrades and improvements to the site and its facilities. When we all looked into this it became clear that CRAMC didn't have the legal standing to sign a lease and this led to the setting up of a new charity: CRC/EHC. Many of the original CRAMC team are now Trustees of the new charity. All this took some time and PCC had to be assured that the new charity would be financially viable and able to meet the obligations of a lease. We also had the slight complication that the Rec had been registered as a Field in Trust in 2012 which means that PCC, and now the charity, must ensure that it is only used for the public benefit as a public playing field and recreation ground.

A stalwart group of people made this happen including members of CRAMC, CRC/EHC and PCC. We look forward to seeing the changes this will bring. At its last meeting PCC were pleased to confirm a grant of £3,500 to help get the charity off to a good start.

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## PCC WORKING GROUPS

PCC has set up several working groups recently. These are informal groups made up of PCC Members and local people with a particular interest and knowledge in the issue. Formal PCC meetings have to meet various legal requirements around when and how they meet which constrains community involvement. The groups we have so far are:

Youth Council: working to set up a Youth Council with Cardiff. This is delayed because Cardiff is diverting so many of its officers to dealing with Covid-19.

Wellbeing and Climate Change: this was the first of these groups and works to improve our environment.

Transport: this is the newest and will be looking at public transport in our communities and other related issues.

If you would like to participate in these groups, particularly if you have expertise in any of the areas, we would be delighted to hear from. Please email [clerk@pentyrch.cc](mailto:clerk@pentyrch.cc).



## TYNNU SYLW AT CCP

Gobeithiwn y cewch chi i gyd Nadolig Hapus iawn er gwaethaf yr holl gyfyngiad ar bwy y gallem dreulio amser gyda nhw. Rydym yn parhau i anfon ein dymuniadau gorau atoch yn ystod y cyfnod anodd iawn hwn. Mae'n ymddangos y byddwn i gyd yn byw gyda gwahanol lefelau o gyfyngiadau i'r gwanwyn, o leiaf. Felly, mae'r dymuniadau arferol ar gyfer Blwyddyn Newydd Dda yn ymddangos braidd yn rhyfedd i'w dweud ac eto'n bwysicach nag erioed. Gadewch i ni obeithio am 2021 hapus ac iach.

Rydym yn gwneud ein gorau i roi gwybod i chi pan glywn unrhyw beth swyddogol sy'n effeithio ar ein hardal leol. I'r rheini ohonoch sy'n gallu, cadwch lygad ar ein tudalen Facebook a'n gwefan.pentyrch.ccm a dolenni i wefannau Caerdydd a Llywodraeth Cymru sydd wedi'u diweddarau'n rheolaidd.

Rydym yn parhau i gynnal ein holl gyfarfodydd ar-lein drwy Microsoft Teams a byddwch yn dod o hyd i ddolen mewngofnodi ar waelod pob agenda os hoffech ymuno â ni. Bydd croeso i chi.

Mae staff y swyddfa yn parhau i weithio o gartref ac er bod y swyddfa ar gau i'r cyhoedd mae'n ddrwg gennym fod yn rhaid i'r llyfrgell aros ar gau. Yr ydym yn cadw'r cyflenwad o fagiaw ailgylchu a gwastraff bwyd yn y swyddfa.

Hoffwn ddiolch i'n staff am y cyfan y maent wedi'i wneud i barhau i ofalu am y gymuned gystal ag y gallant yn y cyfnod anodd hwn.

Mae CSP yn parhau i weithio i sefydlu Cyngor Ieuentid i roi cyfle i'n trigolion ifanc gymryd rhan a mynegi eu barn. Fodd bynnag, mae hyn wedi'i ddal yn ôl oherwydd y cyfyngiadau symud diweddaraf ond byddwn yn parhau i symud ymlaen gystal ag y gallwn.

## FAIRMEADOW

Mae CSP yn prydesu Fairmeadow, Pentyrch o Gaerdydd ar brydles 999 mlynedd a ddechreuodd yn ôl ym 1996 pan lofnododd CSP gyda Chyngor Bwrdeistref Taf Ely ar y pryd. Mae nifer o bobl wedi gofyn i ni am ddefnyddio'r cae ar gyfer tyfu brosiectau fel rhandoedd neu berllan gymunedol. Mae'r brydles yn caniatáu i'r tir gael ei ddefnyddio at ddibenion hamdden ac rydym yn trafod gyda Chaerdydd a allwn gael caniatâd i'w ddefnyddio ar gyfer y mathau o brosiectau yr ydych wedi'u hawgrymu, a sut. Unwaith y bydd hyn wedi'i ddatrys, byddwn yn cysylltu â chi am awgrymiadau mwy penodol ar yr hyn yr hoffech ei wneud a'i weld yno.

## FREEWOMEN A FREEMEN O BENTYRCH

Mae gan CSP y pwr i dderbyn trigolion lleol i fod yn Rhyddfreniwr Anrhydeddus Pentyrch. Mae hyn o dan Ddeddf Llywodraeth Leoli 1972, Adran 249. Mae'r anrhydedd yn ffordd o dalu teyrnged i'r rhai sydd wedi rhoi gwasanaeth amlwg i'n cymuned ac nad yw'n rhoi unrhyw anrhydedd materol na braint arbennig. Mae'n fater o deilyngdod yn unig ac yn syml.

Rydym yn falch iawn o restru yma dderbynwyr cyntaf yr anrhydedd hon:

Don Llewellyn o Bentyrch am ei oes o wasanaeth i Bentyrch, ei Gymdeithas Hanes ac fel ffrind i CSP a'i amgueddfa

Christine Priday o Bentyrch am ei gwasanaeth i CSP ac fel Cyngorydd Sir a Dosbarth, Neuadd Bantref Pentyrch a llawer o grwpiau cymunedol lleol eraill

Penri Williams o Bentyrch am ei wasanaeth i CSP a'r Cyngor Sir, yn hyrwyddo'r Gymraeg a llawer o grwpiau cymunedol lleol

Doug Castle, Gwaelod y Garth am ei waith ar Gofeb Lan a gwirfoddoli Nadolig gyda phlant lleol

Brynmor Jones o Creigiau am ei wasanaeth i CSP, un o sylfaenwyr Gwarchod Cymdogaeth Creigiau a chasgliad pabi'r Lleng Brydeinig Frenhinol

Hysbyswyd yr holl dderbynwyr am y wobwr hon a byddwn yn cyflwyno dyfarniadau gwirioneddol pan allwn i gyd gyfarfod eto. Yn anffodus, bydd Don Llewellyn yn cael ei gyflwyno mewn cof ond roedd yn gwybod am ac yn falch iawn o fod yn Rhyddfreniwr o Bentyrch.

## HYSBYSFYRDDAU CSP

Byddwch wedi gweld bod rhai hysbysfyRDDAU CSP newydd ar ben a bod mwy i fynd. Mae angen caniatâd cynllunio arnom ar gyfer un yng Nghapel Llanilltern.

Mae nifer ohonoch wedi cysylltu â PCC ynglŷn â'r ffaith bod enw'r PCC ar y pennill yn Saesneg yn unig. Gwall oedd hyn wrth osod y gorchymyn. Yr ydym yn gresynu at y camgymeriad hwn. Cyn gynted ag y tynnwyd ein sylw at hyn, gwnaethom drefniadau i gael penawdau dwyieithog er bod y rhai newydd wedi'u gohirio oherwydd y cyfyngiadau symud pandemig. Dylai'r penynnau newydd fod ar waith yn fuan iawn.

## ADRODDIADAU CYNGHORWYR

Hoffai'r Cyngorydd Sandie Rosser, Ward Gwaelod y Garth, ddiolch yn fawr i holl Bantrefwyr Gwaelod a gyfrannodd at y fenter "Tin on a wall" ar gyfer banc bwyd Ymddiriedolaeth Trussell ar Ragfyr 8fed. Gydag ychydig iawn o rybudd a chyhoedduswydd casglwyd swm anrhydeddus, a werthfawrogydd yn fawr. Ynghyd â Phentyrch, rhoddwyd 1,942 o eitemau amrywiol o duniau, pcedi a photeli. Rhaid diolch yn arbennig i'r Gwaelod Inn am dderbyn cyfraniadau; Ann Gray a Lindsey Patmore am fynd o amgylch y pentref a chasglu o "y muriau".

[Mae menter Tin on the Wall yn ffordd i bobl wneud rhoddion i'w banc bwyd lleol drwy adael tuniau a pheccynnau ar wal eu gardd i'w casglu'n ddiogel gan wirfoddolwyr lleol]



Mae'r Cyngorydd Sandie Rosser wedi gweithio gyda Chyngor Caerdydd i osod plac newydd yn lle yr un coll ar fainc sy'n coffáu bywyd cyn Glerc Cyngor Cymuned Pentyrch: Will George. Mr George oedd Clerc yr hyn a alwyd bryd hynny yn Gyngor Plwyf Pentyrch rhwng 1952 a 1976. Mae'r fainc ar y llwybr igamogam yn y Gwaelod, ac erbyn hyn mae ganddi blac newydd sgleiniog. Diolch hefyd i Timpsons a wnaeth y plac ac, oherwydd ychydig o anawsterau, ni wnaethant godi tâl.

## FACEBOOK

Yn hytrach na cheisiadau ffrind gofynnwn i chi hoffi/dilyn ein tudalen Gweplyfr i gadw mewn cysylltiad. Ein nod yw rhoi gwybodaeth ddefnyddiol, amrywiol a phwysig y breswylwyr. Er mai'r oriau agor yw dydd Llun i ddydd Gwener, 9.00pm - 1.00pm Sylwer ein bod yn gweithio o gartref oherwydd y cyfyngiadau presennol. Os oes angen ymateb arnoch yn ystod yr oriau swyddfa hyn, anfonwch e-bost clerk@pentyrch.cc a/neu office@pentyrch.cc. neu ffoniwch 029 20891417 (cesglir negeseuon bob bore Gwener.) Gallwch hefyd ymweld â'n gwefan i gael y wybodaeth ddiweddaraf: [www.pentyrch.cc](http://www.pentyrch.cc). Diolch.

## **ARDAL HAMDDEN CREIGIAU : PRYDLDES RHWNG CSP A CRC/EHC**

Ar ôl trafodaeth hir llofnodwyd prydlles rhwng PCC a'r Elusen Hamdden Creigiau ar Noswyl Nadolig 2020.

CSP sy'n berchen ar rydd-ddaliad y Rec a'r rhandiroedd y tu hwnt iddo. Cysylltodd CRAMC â PCC yn wreiddiol am brydlles fel y gallai wneud cais am grantiau mawr i wneud gwaith uwchraddio a gwelliannau sylweddol i'r safle a'i gyfleusterau. Pan edrychodd pob un ohonom ar hyn, daeth yn amlwg nad oedd gan CRAMC y statws cyfreithiol i lofnodi prydlles ac arweiniodd hyn at sefydlu elusen newydd: CRC/EHC. Mae llawer o dîm gwreiddiol CRAMC bellach yn Ymddiriedolwyr yr elusen newydd. Cymerodd hyn i gyd beth amser a bu'n rhaid i CSP fod yn sicr y byddai'r elusen newydd yn hyfyw yn ariannol ac yn gallu bodloni rhwymedigaethau prydlles. Cawsom hefyd y cymhlethdod bach bod y Rec wedi'i gofrestru fel Maes Mewn Ymddiriedolaeth yn 2012 sy'n golygu bod yn rhaid i CSP, a'r elusen bellach, sicrhau mai dim ond er budd y cyhoedd y caiff ei ddefnyddio fel maes chwarae cyhoeddus a thir hamdden.

Gwnaeth grŵp stondinau o bobl hyn ddigwydd gan gynnwys aelodau o CRAMC, CRC/EHC a PCC. Edrychwn ymlaen at weld y newidiadau a ddaw yn sgîl hyn. Yn ei gyfarfod diwethaf, roedd CSP yn falch o gadarnhau grant o £3,500 i helpu i roi cychwyn da i'r elusen.

## **GWEITHGORAU CSP**

Mae CSP wedi sefydlu sawl gweithgor yn ddiweddar. Grwpiau anffurfiol yw'r rhain sy'n cynnwys Aelodau CSP a phobl leol sydd â diddordeb a gwybodaeth arbennig yn y mater. Mae'n rhaid i gyfarfodydd ffurfiol CSP fodloni gofynion cyfreithiol amrywiol o ran pryd a sut y maent yn cyfarfod rhag cyfyngu ar gyfranogiad y gymuned. Y grwpiau sydd gennym hyd yma yw:

Cyngor leuenctid: gweithio i sefydlu Cyngor leuenctid gyda Chaerdydd. Mae hyn yn cael ei ohirio oherwydd bod Caerdydd yn dargyfeirio cymaint o'i swyddogion i ddelio â Covid-19.

Lles a Newid Hinsawdd: dyma'r cyntaf o'r grwpiau hyn ac mae'n gweithio i wella ein hamgylchedd. Trafnidiaeth: dyma'r diweddaraf a bydd yn edrych ar drafnidiaeth gyhoeddus yn ein cymunedau a materion cysylltiedig eraill. Os hoffech gymryd rhan yn y grwpiau hyn, yn enwedig os oes gennych arbenigedd yn unrhyw un o'r meysydd, byddem yn falch iawn o glywed ganddynt. Anfonwch e-bost [clerk@pentyrch.cc](mailto:clerk@pentyrch.cc).

## **CRONFA CYMORTH CYMUNEDOL CSP**

Bob blwyddyn mae CSP yn neilltuo arian ar gyfer grantiau i'n cymuned. Nid yw'r symiau'n fawr ond maent yn helpu'r grwpiau a sefydliadau lleol sy'n gwneud cais llwyddiannus.

Yn ystod 2020 roedd prosiectau na allem eu cyflawni oherwydd Covid-19 ac nid oedd llawer ohonoch yn gallu gwneud y pethau yr oeddech wedi'u cynllunio hefyd. Felly penderfynodd CSP sefydlu Cronfa Cymorth Cymunedol i ddwyn ynghyd arian nas gwariodd o'n prosiectau ynghyd ag arian a ychwanegwyd yn y gyllideb ar gyfer 2021-2022. Fel y mae pethau ar hyn o bryd, mae gennym £4,800 yn y Gronfa hon. Unwaith y bydd y cyfrifon wedi'u cwblhau ar ôl 31 Mawrth a gallwn weld lle mae'r Cyngor yn sefyll yn ariannol rydym yn gobeithio symud mwy o arian i'r Gronfa hon.

Unwaith y byddwn yn gwybod faint o arian sydd ar gael, byddwn yn rhoi gwybod i chi am y broses ymgeisio ond os hoffech anfon mynegiant cyffredinol o ddi-ddordeb atom yn y cyfamser byddwn yn hapus i gadw nodyn ohono. Dylai prosiectau wella lles, amgylchedd, cymdeithas neu ddiwylliant ein cymuned. Dylent fod o fudd i aelodau'r gymuned, nid unigolion.

## **CYFRIFIAD 2021**

### **DYDD SUL MAWRTH 21 2021**

Mae'r Cyfrifiad yn cael ei gynnal bob 10 mlynedd a bydd yr un nesaf yn cael ei gynnal ar 21 Mawrth. Fe welwch ragor o wybodaeth am hyn mewn manau eraill yn y rhifyn hwn. Mae CSP yn helpu drwy bostio gwybodaeth ar Facebook yn barod. Byddwn i gyd yn cael gwybodaeth i'w cartrefi gan dîm y Swyddfa Ystadegau Gwladol y Cyfrifiad a byddwch yn gallu cyflwyno eich gwybodaeth gan ddefnyddio'r ffurflen neu ar-lein.

Mae pob math o sefydliadau, o awdurdodau lleol i elusennau, yn defnyddio'r wybodaeth i helpu i ddarparu'r gwasanaethau sydd eu hangen arnom i gyd, gan gynnwys trafndiaeth, addysg a gofal iechyd. Heb y Cyfrifiad, byddai'n llawer anoddach gwneud hyn.

Diogelwch eich gwybodaeth yw prif flaenoriaeth y Swyddfa Ystadegau Gwladol. Ni all unrhyw un eich adnabod yn ystadegau'r Cyfrifiad y mae'r Swyddfa Ystadegau Gwladol yn eu cyhoeddi. Mae'n sicrhau nad ydynt yn cynnwys dim o'ch gwybodaeth bersonol. Cedwir eich cofnod Cyfrifiad yn ddiogel am 100 mlynedd a dim ond wedyn y gall cenedlaethau'r dyfodol ei weld.

Drwy gymryd rhan, byddwch yn

## **Y GARTH**

Mae CSP yn berchen ar lawer, ond nid y cyfan, o'r Garth. Gall perchnogaeth rhannau eraill ohono fod yn gymhleth i'w sefydlu, gyda rhai sy'n eiddo i Cyfoeth Naturiol Cymru a rhai mewn perchnogaeth breifat.

Yn ystod 2020 roedd llawer mwy o bobl yn cerdded yn y gymuned gyda llawer ohonoch yn mynd i fyny i'r Garth i fwynhau'r golygfeydd ysblennydd.

Rydym wrth ein bodd bod cymaint o bobl yn mwynhau'r awyr agored ond mae'n effeithio ar yr amgylchedd, llwybrau troed, gataiau ac arddulliau. Nid yw beicwyr, ceffylau a beiciau modur sy'n crwydro oddi ar eu llwybrau dynodedig yn helpu.

Tir Comin yw llawer o'r Garth a chaniateir i anifeiliaid fferm bori. Mae hefyd yn gartref i'n bywyd gwylt lleol. Mae croeso i gwn ond dylid eu cadw ar dennyn i'w hatal rhag mynd ar ôl defaid a da byw eraill. Mae hyn bob amser yn beryglus i'r defaid ac, o bosibl, i'r cwn. Pan fydd defaid yn disgwyl wyn bach, mae perygl difrifol y bydd yr wyn yn erthylu. Mae hwn yn wastraff bywyd ofnadwy ac yn golled ariannol ddifrifol i'r ffermwr.

Mae canlyniadau cyfreithiol i berchnogion cwn. O dan Ddeddf Cwn (Diogelu Da Byw) 1953, os yw ci yn poeni defaid ar dir amaethyddol, mae'r person sy'n gyfrifol am y ci yn euog o drosedd. Mae'r Ddeddf yn ystyried bod poeni defaid yn cynnwys ymosod ar ddefaid, mynd ar eu hôl mewn ffordd a allai achosi anaf, dioddefaint, erthylid neu golli cynnyrch. Os yw eich ci yn poeni da byw efallai y byddwch yn cael eich erlyn am iawndal ac, mewn rhai amgylchiadau, mae gan ffermwyr hawl gyfreithiol i saethu cwn os ydynt yn peryglu eu defaid.

Er bod arwyddion wedi bod ers tro yn esbonio rheolau defnyddio'r Garth, rydym yn mynd i osod arwyddion cliriach, newydd.

Rydym yn llunio rhestr o welliannau ac atgyweiriadau sydd eu hangen ar y Garth ac yn croesawu unrhyw awgrymiadau gennych. Anfonwch e-bost [clerk@pentyrch.cc](mailto:clerk@pentyrch.cc). Mae ein Gweithgor Lles a Newid Hinsawdd yn arwain ar hyn. Byddwn wedyn yn gweithio gyda Chyngor Caerdydd, Cyfoeth Naturiol Cymru, Cadw a grwpiau eraill i wneud y gwelliannau.

helpu i sicrhau eich bod chi a'ch cymuned yn cael y gwasanaethau sydd eu hangen nawr ac yn y dyfodol.

I'r rheini ohonoch sydd â diddordeb yn hanes y teulu, bydd gwybodaeth Cyfrifiad 1921 yn cael ei chyhoeddi ar-lein yn mis Ionawr 2022.

## PCC BUDGET AND PRECEPT FOR 2021-2022

Each January, Community and Town Councils have to agree a budget for the coming financial year and then set a Precept. The Precept is the amount of money the council requests from its residents via council tax. It is collected for us by Cardiff and paid to PCC in April. We invest it in the CCLA (Churches, Charities and Local Authorities) fund to earn interest and then draw down what we need during the year.

We produced an Annual Report for 2019-2020 that set out what PCC does, how and why and what value it adds to your community. We linked it to the goals of the Well-being of Future Generations Act as we are now encouraged to do by Welsh Government. For larger councils spending more money than PCC does, the publication of an Annual Report becomes a duty. You can find a copy of our Report on the PCC website: [www.pentyrch.cc](http://www.pentyrch.cc)

Councillors continue to attend training sessions to help them keep up to date and widen their knowledge of things like community engagement, devolution of services, planning, law, finance, and employment. They now have a good spread of training modules completed amongst them. They are your elected representatives but do not receive a salary so all the work they do is in their own time. Under the Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales, all Community Council members are entitled to £150/year allowance. They can choose not to receive it.

After proper consideration and reviewing draft budgets in the autumn, PCC set the following budget and Precept at its January 2021 meeting. The budget for 2021-22 is £198,852 with a Precept of £175,000. This is a very small decrease per household from last year and below is a table that shows how your Council Tax will decrease. You can see a copy of our budget on the Finance page of our website: [www.pentyrch.cc](http://www.pentyrch.cc)

Council Tax Band	PCC contribution 2019-20 £/year	PCC contribution 2020-21 £/year	PCC contribution 2021-22 £/year
A	32	35	35
B	37	41	40
C	42	47	46
D	47	53	52
E	58	65	63
F	68	76	75
G	79	88	87
H	95	106	104
I	110	123	121

The latest figures from Cardiff show the number of properties and electors in the PCC area as of January 2021:

Village	Number of Properties	Number of Streets	Number of Electors
Gwaelod y Garth	510	20	922
Pentyrch	1,001	46	1,913
Creigiau & Capel Llanilltern	1,223	50	2,134
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,734</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>4,969</b>

The numbers for Creigiau will change substantially over the next few years as the Persimmon development of 1,500 homes and then the further 650 homes on the other side of the A4119 are occupied. Occupations have been significantly slowed by the Covid-19 lockdowns. We will keep a track of them so that we can calculate the effect on the Precept. With more households contributing PCC may be able to stabilize or even reduce household contribution without reducing its income.

## CYLLIDEB A PRAESEPT CSP AR GYFER 2021-2022

Bob mis Ionawr, mae'n rhaid i Gyngorau Cymuned a Thref gytuno ar gyllideb ar gyfer y flwyddyn ariannol sydd i ddod ac yna gosod Praesept. Y Praesept yw'r swm o arian y mae'r cyngor yn gofyn amdano gan ei breswylwyr drwy'r dreth gyngor. Fe'i cesglir ar ein rhan gan Gaerdydd a'i dalu i CSP ym mis Ebrill. Rydym yn ei fuddsoddi yng nghronfa CCLA (Eglwysi, Elusennau ac Awdurdodau Lleol) i ennill llog ac yna i dynnu i lawr yr hyn sydd ei angen arnom yn ystod y flwyddyn.

Gwnaethom gynhyrchu Adroddiad Blynyddol ar gyfer 2019-2020 a oedd yn nodi'r hyn y mae CSP yn ei wneud, sut a pham a pha werth y mae'n ei ychwanegu at eich cymuned. Fe'i cysylltwyd â nodau Deddf Llesiant Cenedlaethau'r Dyfodol fel yr ydym bellach yn cael ein hannog i'w wneud gan Lywodraeth Cymru. I gyngorau mwy sy'n gwario mwy o arian nag y mae CSP yn ei wneud, mae cyhoeddi Adroddiad Blynyddol yn dod yn ddyletswydd. Gallwch ddod o hyd i gopi o'n Hadroddiad ar wefan CSP: [www.pentyrch.cc](http://www.pentyrch.cc)

Mae cynghorwyr yn parhau i fynychu sesiynau hyfforddi i'w helpu i gael y wybodaeth ddiweddaraf ac ehangu eu gwybodaeth am bethau fel ymgysylltu â'r gymuned, datganoli gwasanaethau, cynllunio, y gyfraith, cyllid a chyflogaeth. Erbyn hyn mae ganddynt amrywiaeth dda o fodiwlau hyfforddi wedi'u cwblhau yn eu plith. Eich cynrychiolwyr etholedig chi ydynt ond nid ydynt yn derbyn cyflog felly mae'r holl waith a wnânt yn eu hamser eu hunain. O dan Banel Annibynnol Cymru ar Gydnabyddiaeth Ariannol, mae gan bob aelod o'r Cyngor Cymuned hawl i gael lwfans o £150 y flwyddyn. Gallant ddewis peidio â'i dderbyn.

Ar ôl ystyried ac adolygu cyllidebau drafft yn briodol yn yr hydref, gosododd CSP y gyllideb a'r Praesept canlynol yn ei gyfarfod ym mis Ionawr 2021. Y gyllideb ar gyfer 2021-22 yw £198,852 gyda Rhagdybir £ £175,000. Mae hwn yn ostyngiad bach iawn fesul cartref o'r llynedd ac isod mae tabl sy'n dangos sut y bydd eich Treth Gyngor yn gostwng.

Gallwch weld copi o'n cyllideb ar dudalen Cyllid ein gwefan: [www.pentyrch.cc](http://www.pentyrch.cc)

Band treth gyngor	Cyfraniad CSP 2019-20 £/blwyddyn	Cyfraniad CSP 2020-21 £/blwyddyn	Cyfraniad CSP 2021-22 £/blwyddyn
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Mae'r ffigurau diweddaraf o Gaerdydd yn dangos nifer yr eiddo a'r etholwyr yn ardal CSP o fis Ionawr 2021:

Pentref	Nifer yr Eiddo	Nifer y Strydoedd	Nifer yr Etholwyr
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Bydd y niferoedd ar gyfer Creigiau yn newid yn sylweddol dros y blynyddoedd nesaf wrth i ddatblygiad Persimmon o 1,500 o gartrefi ac yna'r 650 o gartrefi eraill ar ochr arall yr A4119 gael eu meddiannu. Mae galwedigaethau wedi cael eu arafu'n sylweddol gan gyfyngiadau symud Covid-19. Byddwn yn cadw golwg arnynt fel y gallwn gyfrifo'r effaith ar y Praesept. Gyda mwy o aelwydydd yn cyfrannu, efallai y bydd PCC yn gallu sefydlogi neu hyd yn oed leihau cyfraniad y cartref heb leihau ei incwm.

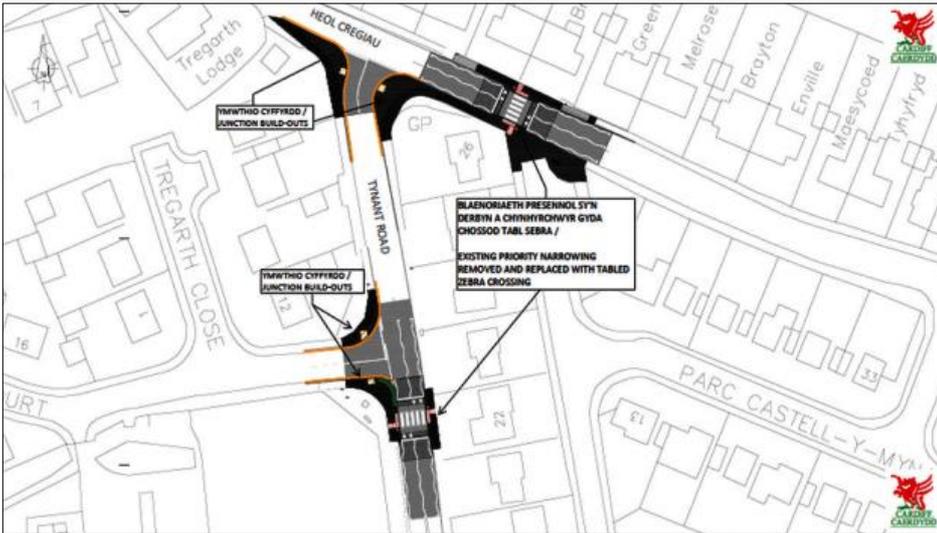
The Council is consulting on the proposal to implement a traffic management scheme based on the plan shown. Further details about this consultation are available at [cardiff.gov.uk/TransportProjects](http://cardiff.gov.uk/TransportProjects) using the 'view consultations' link. Alternatively, please e-mail [TransportProjects@cardiff.gov.uk](mailto:TransportProjects@cardiff.gov.uk) or write to Transport Projects, Room 301, County Hall, Cardiff, CF10 4UW to request a paper copy. If you would like to make any comments about this proposal please let us know by 05/03/2021.

**Creigiau & Sain Ffagan  
Heol Creigiau / Tynant Road /  
Ffordd Caerdydd: Tynnu'r  
Rhwystrau Culhau'r Ffordd  
(CO19206)**

Disgrifiad o Gynnig y Cynllun  
Mae'r Cyngor yn rhoi gwybod i drigolion am gynlluniau i wneud newidiadau i'r briffordd ar Heol Creigiau, Tynant Road a Ffordd Caerdydd.

Mae tair nodwedd culhau'r ffordd ar hyd Heol Creigiau, Tynant Road a Ffordd Caerdydd sy'n lleihau llif traffig dwyffordd i un.

Cynigir cael gwared ar y nodweddion hyn a gosod nodweddion arafu traffig gwahanol yno. Gall rhwystrau culhau'r ffordd amharu ar lif traffig, cythruddo gyrywyr, ac achosi oedi i deithiau



**Creigiau & St Fagans  
Heol Creigiau / Tynant Road /  
Cardiff Road: Priority Narrowing  
Removals (CO19206)**

**Description of Scheme Proposal**

The Council is informing residents about plans to make changes to the highway on Heol Creigiau, Tynant Road and Cardiff Road.

There are three existing priority-narrowing features along Heol Creigiau, Tynant Road and Cardiff Road which reduce two-way traffic flow down to single file.

It is proposed to remove these features and replace them with alternative traffic calming features along this route. Priority narrowing's can impede traffic flow, can result in driver aggression, and can lead to bus journey time delays. Removing the priority narrowing's will improve bus journey time reliability by helping bus movements.

**Tynant Road / Tregarth Court** – the existing priority narrowing will be removed and replaced with a built out tabled zebra crossing.

**Heol Creigiau / Tynant Road** – the existing priority narrowing will be removed and replaced with a built out tabled zebra crossing.

**Cardiff Road / Station Road** – the existing priority narrowing will be removed and replaced with a built out tabled zebra crossing.

The above traffic calming measures will improve pedestrian crossing facilities in the area for pedestrians but also assist in reducing vehicle speeds along Tynant Road, Heol Creigiau and Cardiff Road which creates a safer highway environment for all users along this route.

The scheme is being funded from the Welsh Government – Local Transport Fund 20mph funding, and is associated with the introduction of a 20mph speed limit in Creigiau, which will be subject to a separate consultation.



Mae'r Cyngor yn ymgynghori ar y cynnig i weithredu cynllun rheoli traffig yn seiliedig ar y cynllun. Mae rhagor o fanylion am yr ymgynghori hwn ar gael yn [www.caerdydd.gov.uk/ProjectauTrafnidiaeth](http://www.caerdydd.gov.uk/ProjectauTrafnidiaeth) ar y ddolen 'gweld ymgynghoriadau'. Fel arall, e-bostiwch [ProjectauTrafnidiaeth@caerdydd.gov.uk](mailto:ProjectauTrafnidiaeth@caerdydd.gov.uk) neu ysgrifennwch a Projectau Trafnidiaeth, Ystafell 301, Neuadd y Sir, Caerdydd. CF10 4UW i ofyn am gopi papur. Os hoffech wneud unrhyw sylwadau am y cynnig rhowch wybod i ni erbyn 05/03/2021.

We would appreciate any comments you may have regarding the proposals. We understand you may have suggestions for other improvements to increase safety along this route. Due to funding constraints we are unable to accommodate any significant changes to these plans at this time, however we will keep a record of any suggestions we receive to incorporate into future schemes.

If you would like to make any comments about this proposal please let us know by 05/03/2021 by email [TransportProjects@cardiff.gov.uk](mailto:TransportProjects@cardiff.gov.uk) or write to Transport Projects, Room 301, County Hall, Cardiff, CF10 4UW. Additional Information about traffic management measures:-

**Zebra Crossing.** This type of crossing is suitable for sites with medium levels of pedestrian demand and vehicle flows where a puffin crossing is not justified. They can provide a better level of service

for pedestrians as there is no minimum time waiting for the right to cross. They can be usefully combined with build-outs which improve visibility to and from vehicles, reduce crossing distances and clarify that pedestrians are intending to cross the road.

**Tabled Zebra Crossing.** This is where a zebra crossing includes a speed table, or is sited at a tabled junction, either as part of a wider set of traffic calming or on its own.

**Priority Narrowing.** This is a form of traffic calming where build-outs narrow the road so that only one vehicle can pass at a time. In all new road narrowing schemes, one direction is given priority. They can also assist pedestrians to cross as the road is narrowed and visibility is improved. They are most effective where a similar number of vehicles use the road in both directions and there is about 10 to 20 vehicles per minute in the peak hour.

bws. Bydd cael gwared ar y rhwystrau culhau'r ffordd yn gwella dibynadwyedd amseroedd bysus drwy eu helpu i symud.

**Tynant Road / Tregarth Court** – byddwn yn cael gwared ar y rhwystr culhau'r ffordd presennol ac yn adeiladu croesfan sebra ddyrchafedig yn ei le.

**Heol Creigiau / Tynant Road** – byddwn yn cael gwared ar y rhwystr culhau'r ffordd presennol ac yn adeiladu croesfan sebra ddyrchafedig yn ei le.

**Ffordd Caerdydd / Station Road** – byddwn yn cael gwared ar y rhwystr culhau'r ffordd presennol ac yn adeiladu croesfan sebra ddyrchafedig yn ei le.

Bydd y mesurau arafu traffig yn gwella cyfleusterau croesi i gerddwyr yn yr ardal a hefyd yn helpu i leihau cyflymder cerbydau ar hyd Tynant Road, Heol Creigiau a Ffordd Caerdydd sy'n creu priffordd fwy diogel i bawb sy'n defnyddio'r llwybr hwn.

Mae'r cynllun yn cael ei ariannu gan Lywodraeth Cymru – cyllid 20mya y Gronfa Trafnidiaeth Leol, ac mae'n gysylltiedig â chyflwyno cyfyngiad cyflymder o 20mya yn Creigiau, a

fydd yn destun ymgynghoriad ar wahân.

Byddem yn gwerthfawrogi unrhyw sylwadau sydd gennych ynghylch y cynigion. Rydym yn deall y gallai fod gennych awgrymiadau eraill i wella diogelwch ar hyd y llwybr hwn. O ganlyniad i gyfyngiadau ar arian ni allwn wneud newidiadau mawr i'r cynlluniau hyn ar hyn o bryd, ond byddwn yn cadw cofnod o unrhyw awgrymiadau rydym yn eu derbyn i'w cynnwys yng nghynlluniau'r dyfodol. Os hoffech chi wneud unrhyw sylwadau ynghylch y cynnig hwn, anfonwch e-bost aton ni cyn 05/03/2021 i

ProjectauTrafnidiaeth@caerdydd.gov.uk neu ysgrifennwch i Projectau Trafnidiaeth, Ystafell 301, Neuadd y Sir, Caerdydd, CF10 4UW.

Gwybodaeth ychwnaegol ynghylch mesurau rheoli traffig

**Croesfan Sebra.** Mae'r math hon o groesfan yn addas ar gyfer safleoedd sydd â lefelau canolig o alw gan gerddwyr a llif traffig lle nad oes cyfiawnhad dros groesfan pâl. Gall wasanaethu cerddwyr yn well, gan nad oes amser aros penodedig cyn cael yr hawl i groesi. Gellir eu cyfuno'n hawdd â rhwystrau

### CREIGIAU COMMUNITY MARKET

There have been lots of enquiries about the market which has had to stop due to the pandemic. I can reassure you that Creigiau Community Market will return as soon as it is safe to do so.

Jenny Nelmes

ymwthiol sy'n gwella gwelededd i gerbydau, yn lleihau'r pellteroedd croesi ac yn egluro bod cerddwyr yn bwriadu croesi'r ffordd.

**Croesfan Sebra â Bwrdd.** Croesfan sebra sy'n cynnwys bwrdd arafu, neu sydd ar gyffordd fwrdd, yn rhan o fesurau ehangach i arafu traffig neu ar ei ben ei hun.

**Porth Cul Blaenoriaethol.** Mesur arafu traffig gyda rhwystrau ymwithiol yn culhau'r ffordd fel mai ond un cerbyd ar y tro all deithio drwy'r porth. Ym mhob cynllun newydd i gulhau ffyrdd, rhoddir blaenoriaeth i geir sy'n teithio o un cyfeiriad. Gallant hefyd gynorthwyo cerddwyr i groesi'r ffordd oherwydd bod y ffordd yn gulach a bod gwell gwelededd. Maen nhw'n fwyaf effeithiol pan fofifer tebyg o gerbydau yn defnyddio'r ffordd i'r ddau gyfeiriad, gyda 10 i 20 o gerbydau y funud yn ystod yr awr frig.

## WELLBEING IN THE COMMUNITY

### FIRST COMMUNITY FORUM ON WELLBEING



A Zoom screen shot that is familiar for us all now, we held our first virtual forum in January 2021, on community wellbeing, looking at local resources and expertise that is on our own doorstep.

Normally, the pages of the Community Link would be filled with photographs of all that we were doing together, in village & church halls, on the sports fields and in our primary schools and there would be dates for the next round of social events. This meeting looked at the availability of support and online activities that are available, technology permitting whilst we are in lockdown restrictions.

We noted that, between us, there had been a huge uptake in online activities as you might expect from learning new skills to exercise classes and maintaining book club and WI get togethers. Rather than re-inventing the wheel, most have

### CHILDREN & YOUTH SERVICES

Cardiff Council have set up a number of digital resources for youngsters (up to the age of 25) to access. Recently, they set up their own website to make it easier and clearer to find all the different services that they are currently offering. [www.cardiffyouthservices.wales](http://www.cardiffyouthservices.wales)

Mindhub Wales has been created by young people for young people, providing quick links to local and national emotional wellbeing services, all categorised and easy to follow [www.mindhub.wales](http://www.mindhub.wales)

taken advantage of nationally run online sessions ranging from Cardiff Council activities to the Royal Voluntary Service who have created a virtual village hall.

Local groups who have pivoted online, for example, Pentyrch Guides and Freshair Friday have found that this means they can increase the numbers. There are so many online activities and support, too many to simply list here, but everything is out there, if you have IT access.

Our next Community Forum (focusing on Environment & Nature) is on Friday 26th February at 2pm. It is an open event, for a link to the meeting, please contact us, via the PCC office or by email to Deb Hunt at [office@pentyrch.cc](mailto:office@pentyrch.cc)

### LIVING WITH DEMENTIA TRAINING MOVING ONLINE

Prior to the global pandemic, our Community Engagement Officer, Deb Hunt, organised several awareness sessions and a Dementia Friendly Café was opening in Pentyrch Rugby Club. Whilst so much is paused, there is an opportunity for some online Dementia Friends sessions to be held to help better inform us on how we can best help those living with dementia, and to make our village communities more accessible and less frightening. The more understanding and better informed we are, the better the community we become.

If interested in attending a short, online Dementia Friends session please let us know via the PCC office or by email to Deb Hunt at [office@pentyrch.cc](mailto:office@pentyrch.cc)

### Defibrillators are located at :

Pentyrch Rugby Club  
Pentyrch Pharmacy  
Gwaelod Y Garth Village Hall &

### During open hours only

Creigiau Golf Club  
Creigiau Primary School  
Canada Lodge

**COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT  
OFFICER'S REPORT  
NOVEMBER TO FEBRUARY 2021**

**GENERAL DUTIES**

I monitor local Facebook pages and share items to help keep our community informed.

Our office remains closed due to the pandemic so Helena Fox (Clerk) and I are working from home. I visit the office every Friday morning to replenish recycling sacks, check the post and check phone messages.

**EVENTS**

There are no planned events at the moment due to continued lockdown restrictions. I will organise a litter pick as soon as it is safe to do so. We are considering starting a local group to help clear away paths. This might include The Garth and other local footpaths that you have mentioned to us so that we can work with Cardiff to keep our local paths in good condition.

**GENERAL COMMUNITY ISSUES/  
CONCERNS**

Country Code: The farmers of Pantygored Farm and The Garth are asking for dogs to be kept on a lead when crossing their land. Please close gates and keep to the public rights of way.

Pot holes: these continue to be a regular problem. I report them to Cardiff and have done so for Mountain Road and Star Lane in particular. Residents can submit claims for damage to their car to Cardiff.

Lewis Arms, Pentyrch: the pub has installed a camera and put up warning notices that any vehicle using the car park without consent is liable for a fee of £100, £60 if paid promptly. PCC hopes to be able to park its vehicle there when we visit to maintain the play area and collect litter. If you are planning to visit Acapela you should contact it first to check the parking arrangements.

Pentyrch Rugby Club: there was some concern about a large number of vehicles in the car park. It turns out that there was filming taking place and Covid procedures were in place, with security on hand too.

**COMMUNITY LINK 112**

I will be asking existing and new advertisers if they would like to take up a 10% discount if they pay for a year (4 Link editions) in advance before May. If you have any queries regarding the Community Link please email: office@pentyrch.cc.

**GARTH ROTARY**

PCC are supporting Garth Rotary's project to collect disused computers and laptops. The PCC office was open on the 5th and 12th February for residents to drop off unwanted machines which was a huge success. Garth Rotary has a contact who will

**ADRODDIAD Y SWYDDOG  
YMGYSYLLTU Â'R GYMUNED  
TACHWEDD I CHWEFOR 2021**

**DYLETSWYDDAU CYFFREDINOL**

Rwy'n monitro tudalennau Facebook lleol ac yn rhannu eitemau i helpu i roi'r wybodaeth ddiweddaraf i'n cymuned.

Mae ein swyddfa'n parhau i fod ar gau oherwydd y pandemig felly mae Helena Fox (Clerc) a fi'n gweithio gartref. Rwy'n ymweld â'r swyddfa bob bore Gwener i ailgyflenwi sachau ailgylichu, gwirio'r post a gwirio negeseuon ffôn.

**Digwyddiadau**

Nid oes unrhyw ddigwyddiadau wedi'u cynllunio ar hyn o bryd oherwydd cyfyngiadau cyfyngiadau symud parhaus. Byddaf yn trefnu casglu sbwriel cyn gynted ag y bydd yn ddiogel gwneud hynny. Rydym yn ystyried dechrau grwp lleol i helpu i glirio llwybrau. Gallai hyn gynnwys y Garth a llwybrau troed lleol eraill yr ydych wedi sôn amdanynt i ni fel y gallwn weithio gyda Chaerdydd i gadw ein llwybrau lleol mewn cyflwr da.

**MATERION/PRYDERON CYFFREDINOL  
Y GYMUNED**

Cod Cefn Gwlad: Mae ffermwyr Fferm Pantygored a'r Garth yn gofyn i gwn gael eu cadw ar blwm wrth groesi eu tir. Caewch gatiâu a chadwch at yr hawliau tramwy cyhoeddus.

Tyllau potiau: mae'r rhain yn parhau i fod yn broblem reolaidd. Rhoddaf wybod i Gaerdydd ac yr wyf wedi gwneud hynny ar gyfer Heol y Mynydd a Star Lane yn benodol. Gall

wipe data and offer the computers to children who are struggling with home learning. Should you have any queries please get in touch with me at office@pentyrch.cc

**QUESTIONS/CONTACTS FROM  
RESIDENTS**

I have noticed whilst out walking that more street signs are faded, broken, and dirty. I have reported these to Cardiff and you can do so too via Cardiff's App. Unfortunately, these repairs are not a priority for Cardiff at the moment.

We are repairing the bench at Lon Y Fro and will be ordering a new bench for the Frog Pond.

**MICELLANEOUS**

Please drop of any food items to the Church Hall, Creigiau. Members from Love Where You Live will distribute items to local food banks. Thank you. There was a bit of confusion regards to collections to Tin on the Wall in January as Chris Davidson said there would be no collections due to lockdown but it still went ahead in Creigiau. Chris will update us.

PCC is working with Taff's Well quarry to repair the new path at Memorial Park.

**Deb Hunt PCC  
Community Engagement Officer**

preswylwyr gyflwyno ceisiadau am ddirodd i'w car i Gaerdydd.

Lewis Arms, Pentyrch: mae'r dafarn wedi gosod camera ac wedi rhoi hysbysiadau rhybuddio bod unrhyw gerbyd sy'n defnyddio'r maes parcio heb ganiatâd yn atebol am ffi o £100, £60 os caiff ei dalu'n brydlon. Mae CSP yn gobeithio gallu parcio ei gerbyd yno pan fyddwn yn ymweld i gynnal a chadw'r man chwarae a chasglu sbwriel. Os ydych yn bwriadu ymweld ag Acapela, dylech gysylltu ag ef yn gyntaf i wirio'r trefniadau parcio.

Clwb Rygbi Pentyrch: roedd peth pryder am nifer fawr o gerbydau yn y maes parcio. Mae'n ymddangos bod ffilmio'n digwydd a bod gweithdrefnau Covid ar waith, gyda diogelwch wrth law hefyd.

**CYSWLLT CYMUNEDOL 112**

Byddaf yn gofyn i hysbysebwyrr presennol a newydd a hoffent gymryd gostyngiad o 10% os ydynt yn talu am flwyddyn (4 rhifyn Cyswllt) ymlaen llaw cyn mis Mai.

Os oes gennych unrhyw ymholiadau am y Cyswllt Cymunedol, anfonwch e-bost at: office@pentyrch.cc.

**ROTARI GARTH**

Mae CSP yn cefnogi prosiect Garth Rotary i gasglu cyfrifiaduron a gliniaduron sydd heb eu defnyddio. Roedd swyddfa CSP ar agor ar y 5ed a'r 12fed o Chwefror i breswylwyr ollwng peiriannau diangen a oedd yn llwyddiant ysgubol. Mae gan Garth Rotary gyswllt a fydd yn sychu data ac yn cynnig y cyfrifiaduron i blant sy'n cael traferth gyda dysgu gartref. Os oes gennych unrhyw ymholiadau, cysylltwch â mi yn office@pentyrch.cc

**CWESTIYNAU/CYSYLLTIADAU GAN  
BRESWYLWYR**

Rwyf wedi sylwi wrth gerdded bod mwy o arwyddion stryd wedi pylu, wedi torri ac yn fudr. Rwyf wedi rhoi gwybod am y rhain i Gaerdydd a gallwch wneud hynny hefyd drwy Ap Caerdydd. Yn anffodus, nid yw'r atgyweiriadau hyn yn flaenoriaeth i Gaerdydd ar hyn o bryd.

Rydym yn trwsio'r fainc yn Lon Y Fro a byddwn yn archebu mainc newydd ar gyfer y Pwll Frog.

**YN LLYGOD MAWR**

Galwch heibio unrhyw eitemau bwyd i Neuadd yr Eglwys, Creigiau. Bydd aelodau o Love Where You Live yn dosbarthu eitemau i fanciau bwyd lleol. Diolch. Roedd tipyn o ddryswch ynglyn â chasgliadau i Tin ar y Wal ym mis Ionawr wrth i Chris Davidson ddweud na fyddai unrhyw gasgliadau oherwydd y cyfyngiadau symud ond roedd yn dal i fynd yn ei flaen yng Nghrigiau. Bydd Chris yn rhoi'r wybodaeth ddiweddaraf i ni. Mae CSP yn gweithio gyda chwarel Ffynnon Taf i atgyweirio'r llwybr newydd yn y Parc Coffa.

**Deb Hunt Swyddog Ymgysylltu â'r  
Gymuned ar gyfer CSP**

## CARDIFF LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN

The current Cardiff LDP was adopted in January 2016 and was to run until 2026. It was under this plan that all the new developments sites along the A4119 were approved. Cardiff are now reviewing and revising the plan and want to set a new plan to run from 2021-2036. PCC was an active member of the North West Cardiff Group during that first plan and is still a member today. The NWCG represents the communities of Gwaelod y Garth, Pentyrch, Creigiau, St Fagans, Radyr, Morgantown, Danescourt, Llandaff, Llantrisant, Miskin and Pontyclun through the collaboration of community councils and associations.

Below is the response that the NWCG made in February 2021.

### NORTH WEST CARDIFF GROUP COMMENTS RE CARDIFF REPLACEMENT LDP REVIEW REPORT

1. NWCG welcomes the opportunity to comment on the proposal to prepare a Replacement LDP - as the current one is not fit for purpose. We urge the Council to take on board our views, and the views of other resident and community groups. The Replacement LDP needs to set a new direction for development of the City, otherwise there is no point in wasting £1m on preparing it.

2. We have the following comments:

2.1 Cardiff's Replacement LDP (RLDP) should take account of the regional context. In the absence of an SDP the reviews of LDPs across the region need to be synchronised.

2.2 The Council should confirm the origin of statistics used in plan preparation, to help consultees assess the basis for the policies proposed.

2.3 Para 2.48 quotes the latest household and population projections from Welsh Government. For Cardiff these are 8% lower for population and 10% lower for household formation than in the LDP. These are significant changes from a year ago - when the household formation rate was reported to be - para 2.35 of the February 2020 Review report - 5% lower than previously by 2026.

The Council must make a judgement based on those projections and other relevant factors to produce a new LDP that helps create a more live-able and sustainable City taking into account the current very large housing land bank (24k - para 3.19). The new plan must encourage a wider range of house types and tenures, all with much better energy efficiency, not the current focus on numbers and private ownership/private rental when around half of demand is for good quality, low cost, homes for rent. We suggested at the LDP Examination in Public that all new properties should be fitted with at least one solar panel. Failure to require this was a missed opportunity, so we were pleased to note (para 3.59) that renewable energy will get higher priority in the RLDP.

2.4 According to para 2.52, employment is showing 'a continuing strong performance'; 20,900 jobs have been created in Cardiff since 2006. This may well double-count employment in firms that have moved within the City to Central Square and St Mellons such as BBC Wales, Hugh James Solicitors, Cardiff University and Brains Brewery, so we would welcome a breakdown of gains and losses by location. While we understand that this a review of what has already happened we question the optimism. Some of the increase in jobs has been in low paid self employment. Para 2.67 lists COVID-19 issues to be considered: impact on the economy and rising unemployment are top of the list.

2.5 Para 3.39 states that the Strategic Allocations (including those lining Llantrisant Road) are not delivering any employment land. They are not delivering any other facilities either, which means that new residents have to travel to and from them daily, mainly by car. NWCG considers that continuation of this type of developer-led expansion is unsustainable and is embedding poor travel choices.

2.6 Para 2.54 acknowledges that housing completions are below target, but para 2.56 shows optimism that housing completions will increase significantly from current levels. This optimism is repeated in para 3.18. This could well be misplaced in view of continuing economic uncertainty and the impact of COVID-19. We would be interested to see the evidence on which this claim is made. Any reduction in output of housing should not be used to justify further land releases in advance of a thought-through plan that develops real communities rather than housing estates.

2.7 Paras 2.59-61 refer to a reduction in car use for journeys to work with an encouraging increase in cycle use, but an increase in car use for journeys to education. The LDP will need to bring forward policies to reverse this trend and the linked increase in congestion levels. We also note that congestion increased by +1 % from 2017-8 (page 62, Annual Monitoring Report March 2019), and this had a negative impact on bus journey reliability - and thus bus use - and has reduced air quality. Congestion may have reduced in 2020/21 due to COVID-19 impact on travel and work and shopping, but we suggest that the longer term trend is uncertain.

With interest rates at a historic low it makes sense to invest in new cleaner public transport; we've waited too long already. We were dismayed to see that the hourly bus service to Rhydlafer along Llantrisant Road (no: 62) was provided by poaching one bus an hour from Radyr and Morganstown's service (no: 63). Further reductions in bus services are likely post-Covid - this is not the way to encourage use of buses instead of cars.

2.8 Para 3.50 suggests that the current LDP addresses national policy on sustainable travel adequately, albeit modified in the light of Covid. [Recent announcements by the Council re Congestion Charging do show a more radical approach to reducing car use for journeys to the City Centre, without convenient alternative options the City Centre will not retain its appeal.] Planning for, and funding of, transport infrastructure has been far too slow. The imperative for action in the light of the Climate Emergency, as well as the need to tackle the obesity crisis, make it vital that the Replacement LDP takes a fresh approach. It needs to phase better public transport and much improved provision for cycling before release of any more housing land.

2.9 Para 3.65 says that £165m has been raised from S106 from 2009-2019, part of which derives from North West Cardiff sites. This is a relatively small sum in the light of the scale of investment needed in transport infrastructure and social housing in Cardiff as a whole. Negotiations should be conducted by suitably qualified and impartial valuers (eg District Valuer).

Para 3.69 suggests that Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL - which was designed to raise a proportion of the funding needed for City-wide infrastructure) will only be considered for brownfield and small sites. This is clearly wrong. Whilst there are extra costs arising from opening up Strategic Sites, there are major costs in developing brownfield and smaller ones. The huge uplift in land values accruing to owners of any greenfield allocations in

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the RLDP must be subject to a substantial rate of CIL in order to deliver the strategic City-wide infrastructure needed for developing a sustainable City, including Metro. We fail to understand why Cardiff persist with a S106 or CIL approach when they can be used together.

Para 2.61 states that without significant delivery of new houses, transport infrastructure and early Metro delivery "it is too early to draw conclusions about policy delivery, particularly given that 50/50 modal split target relates to 2026". 50/50 modal split was said to be crucial to the success of the LDP. It is clear to us that that policy is not working now, and sustainable transport infrastructure is not being delivered quickly enough to deliver it in future. This must be addressed in the RLDP.

2.10 NWCG welcomes the acknowledgement of the importance to health and well-being of open space, but is dismayed to see the amount that is no longer "public" as its maintenance is to be paid for by new residents and its use is thus semi-private. We suggest that this practice should stop.

2.11 Para 2.67 lists the COVID-19 impacts that will need to be considered. The list includes "Need to deliver "critical infrastructure" in a consistent and joined up manner." This should be essential for any strategic development, not something to be considered as a pandemic impact. Failure to do this explains why strategic developments are not delivering the facilities and infrastructure required by residents. One result is car dependent estates (not sustainable communities), where the good habits the Council placed so much importance on are not being embedded upfront.

The list does not include the impact on housing demand. This is a serious omission.

2.12 Para 3.12 talks about 'revised dwelling needs' and requirement for new sites. There seems to be an inbuilt assumption that more sites will be required. Yet para 3.19 shows that there is an overall landbank of over 24,000. If dwelling need continues to reduce (WG household projections are 10% lower now than they were when the LDP was adopted) additional sites will not be required if production on the existing strategic sites is speeded up.

Stewart Burgess  
Chairman, North West Cardiff Group

## **PCC Wellbeing & Climate Change Group**

Pentyrch Community Council established a Working Group some years ago to provide a regular time slot for more detailed and wider discussions on community wellbeing and climate change as these require and deserve considerable more time and space that we can provide in the routine Council main meetings. Community guests can and do join us and we recently expanded the membership of the Group such that more than 50% of the Council and our Community Engagement Officer are included. These meetings give us the opportunity to look at our land and biodiversity management, how we encourage better or more use of our green spaces by the community and, especially how we protect the land for future generations. Recently, we have seen a surge in interest about the possibility of creating a community space for Reflection, or planting trees in memory of a lost loved one.

We have been very appreciative of the work being done by local volunteers with regards to the footpath condition surveys and documenting the circular walks that we have as these are as critical to our community infrastructure as roads and could deteriorate or disappear without their consistent hard work. More recently, we have expanded our meetings to look at Community Wellbeing and the opportunities to provide a Community Support Fund for those community organisations who may be paused but need to pay the bills so that they are there when 'normality' returns. One of our Group members is Sara Pickard, who has a new role with the Welsh Government as one of the six Disabled People's Employment Champions and going forward, we are hoping to take greater advantage of Sara's skills and expertise.

The Group meets internally regularly and of equal importance, also meets with a range of other interested parties and community groups within a wider sustainability network.

## **Gwaelod y Garth (GyG) G1 bus survey and response**

The G1 bus on-demand service was piloted last year in GyG. However, as a response of residents' concerns, PCC developed a short survey to identify what GyG dwellers thought of the current provision. The key themes that emerged from the written comments were that residents valued a bus service but would like a 7-day service that matches those in other parts of the city. Older residents are digitally excluded by the App, although it works for those that can use it. Overall, the responders found G1 bus unreliable and stranded some residents away from their homes leaving them to find taxis or get help. People would prefer a reliable timetable even if that meant fewer buses.

As a response, a meeting attended by the GyG Councillors was scheduled by Steve Gerrard (Network Operations Team Leader) with several representatives from Transport for Wales, NAT and ViaVan and a number of Councillors. The meeting was very positive and led to an open discussion of the issues raised by the survey responses. They listened to us, our concerns were taken seriously and seemed willing to try and find a solution to suit everyone. Therefore, we were informed that a new long-term contract will be put out to tender in September 2021 and will include a request for a smaller bus. We were confirmed that the office to book the daily bus will be open at 7am to allow early bookings. Regular drivers will be used and return journey will be available for bookings. In addition, along with the on-demand provision, a pre-booked provision could be piloted in GyG. Finally, the GyG Councillors requested the inclusion of a timetable that is the preferred option of many bus users. Consequently, the possibility of providing some set, scheduled rides along with the on-demand option already available were discussed. Sandie Rosser (GyG Councillor)  
Teresa Filippini (GyG Councillor)

## **STAY SAFE**

As we start to head into the spring months, this is a reminder to keep away from Quarries.

There are many risks factors for trespassing inside a Quarry, from rock fall to swimming in water.

These areas are not safe and please find further information and interactive games to help explain the dangers at [https://www.mineralproducts.org/youth\\_playsafe01.htm](https://www.mineralproducts.org/youth_playsafe01.htm)



### **Meddygfa Meddyg Teulu Pentyrch.**

Mae'r newyddion bod meddygfa loeren Meddygon Teulu Llandaf ym Mhentyrch yn bwriadu cau a symud i safle newydd yn Rhydlafer wedi bod yn peri gofid i lawer ym Mhentyrch.

Mae CSP wedi prydlesu llain fach o dir gerllaw Neuadd y Pentref i feddygfa Llandaf ers 2013, ond dim ond elwa o ganiatâd cynllunio dros dro mae'r safle, bydd yn dod i ben. Daethom yn ymwybodol bod gan feddygon teulu Llandaf gynlluniau i adleoli lloeren Pentyrch pan lofnodwyd y brydles tair blynedd ddiweddaraf ym mis Tachwedd 2019. Gofynnodd CSP i'r feddygfa wneud ei gorau glas i ddod o hyd i safle newydd ym Mhentyrch, ond nid oedd gan CSP unrhyw ran yn y dewis o safle. Roeddem yn deall y byddai'r broses ar gyfer dewis safle newydd yn gyfrinachol ac nad ymgynghorwyd â CSP.

Er ein bod yn siomedig iawn na chanfuwyd safle addas ym Mhentyrch, mae CSP yn croesawu'r cyfle i'w gymuned gael mynediad i gyfleuster newydd sbon gyda'r ddarpariaeth gofal iechyd ddiweddaraf y gall meddygfa ei darparu. Yr ydym yn ymwybodol nad yw meddygfeydd meddygon teulu yn rhan o'r GIG yn y ffordd y mae ysbytai. Mae'r rhan fwyaf o feddygfeydd yn dal i fod yn fusnesau bach gyda'r meddygon yn berchen ar eu hadeiladau neu'n eu rhentu. Maent yn cyflogi ac yn talu eu staff eu hunain ac mae ganddynt yr holl gyfrifoldebau arferol o redeg busnes yn ogystal â'u gwaith fel meddygon.

Deallwn, wrth i anghenion gofal iechyd a phoblogaethau newid, nad yw safle Pentyrch bellach yn cael ei ystyried yn addas ac nad yw'n hyfyw yn ariannol. Cynhelir sesiynau triniaethu presennol Pentyrch mewn adeilad modiwlaid dros dro ac ni all agor pum niwrnod llawn yr wythnos. Deallwn na all ddarparu'r amgylchedd gofal iechyd gorau i gleifion, meddygon a staff swyddfa. Dim ond dros dro y bwriadwyd i ofal mewn adeilad dros dro fod.

Deallwn nad yw llawer ohonom am gollu ein meddygfa leol, ynghyd â'r symudiad tebygol o Fferyllfa Pentyrch i'r safle newydd hefyd.

Ein pryder mwyaf gyda'r safle newydd yw ei fod yn anhygyrch o ran y drafnidiaeth gyhoeddus. Rydym wedi esbonio hyn i Feddygfa Llandaf, i'r Cynghorydd Sir Gavin Hill-John, i'r Bwrdd Iechyd, i Lywodraeth Cymru, ac i Gyngor Caerdydd fel rhan o'n gwrthwynebiad i'r cais cynllunio.

Isod ceir copiâu o'r llythyrau a anfonwyd gennym at Feddygfa Llandaf fis Tachwedd diwethaf; Llythyr gwrthwynebu CSP i'r cais cynllunio ar gyfer y safle newydd yn Rhydlafer; a llythyr CSP at y Gweinidog Dros

### **PCC Update Pentyrch GP's Surgery.**

The news that the Llandaff GP's satellite surgery in Pentyrch was planning to close and move to a new site in Rhydlafer has been upsetting for many in Pentyrch.

PCC has leased a small plot of land adjacent to the Village Hall to the Llandaff surgery since 2013, but the site only benefits from a temporary planning permission which is due to expire. We became aware that the Llandaff GPs had plans to relocate the Pentyrch satellite when the latest three-year lease was signed in November 2019. PCC asked the surgery then to do its very best to find a new site in Pentyrch, but PCC had no role in the choice of site. We understood that the process for choosing a new site was to be confidential and PCC was not consulted. We are deeply disappointed that a suitable site was not found in Pentyrch. PCC welcomes the opportunity for its community to have access to a brand-new facility with the latest health care provision that a GP surgery can provide. We are aware that GP surgeries are not part of the NHS in the way hospitals are. Most surgeries are still small businesses with the doctors owning or renting their premises. They employ and pay their own staff and have all the usual responsibilities of running a business in addition to their work as doctors.

We understand that as health care needs and populations change, the Pentyrch site is no longer considered suitable and is not financially viable. The current Pentyrch surgery is held in a temporary modular building and is not able to open a full five days a week. We understand that it cannot provide the best health care environment for patients, doctors and office staff. Care in a temporary building was only ever intended to be temporary.

We understand that many of us do not want to lose our local surgery, together with the likely move of Pentyrch Pharmacy to the new site too.

Our biggest concern with the new site is its inaccessibility by public transport. We have explained this to Llandaff Surgery, to County Cllr Gavin Hill-John, to the Health Board, to the Welsh Government, and to Cardiff Council as part of our objection to the planning application.

Below are copies of the letters we sent to Llandaff Surgery last November; PCC's letter of objection to the planning application for the new site at Rhydlafer; and PCC's letter to the Health and Social Services Minister, Cardiff and Vale University Health Board and Welsh Government

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lechyd a Gwasanaethau Cymdeithasol, Bwrdd Iechyd Prifysgol Caerdydd a'r Fro, a Llywodraeth Cymru:

### **Letter from PCC 18 Nov. 20**

To Tracey Enright, Practice Manager

Llandaff and Pentyrch Surgeries

Dear Tracey,

#### **Pentyrch Surgery**

We were grateful that you and Dr Arulanandam could attend PCC's online October Council meeting and update us on the plans for the new surgery. We appreciate that several Pentyrch sites were explored and while we are extremely disappointed that none proved suitable and regret the loss of the facilities to the village, we understand that the move is a necessary part of Cardiff's huge new housing developments.

We have promoted the community consultation and hope that you have had a good response. We all understand that the closing of the surgery at Pentyrch and the move to the site at Rhydlafer comes with a mix of loss and gain.

The new building will provide far better facilities for patients, medical and admin staff. It will also provide a much wider range of services meaning that people do not have to travel as far or to several different locations for treatments. The idea of a coffee room for people to socialise sounds welcoming – although quite hard to imagine during these months of Covid-19.

That said, something we all recognize as being very important is how Pentyrch residents who do not drive can reach the new surgery. From what you said to us, the number of patients who currently walk to the Pentyrch surgery is small, perhaps smaller than many realise. However, for that albeit small number of patients, reaching the new site will be a considerable problem. The route down Church Road has no public transport and is certainly not a road that can be walked down, let alone up, even for those able to do so.

We were reassured to hear that the Practice takes this access problem very seriously and is looking into ways to help and discussing it with Cardiff. A Flecsi Bus service might be an answer and Cllr Gavin Hill-John mentioned that such a service might be able to link to the Royal Glamorgan Hospital.

PCC urges you on behalf of all its residents and particularly those who do not drive to work with Cardiff and the Health Board to find a solution to travel between Pentyrch village and the new surgery. Please let us know if there is anything that we can do to help.

Yours sincerely,

Helena Fox Clerk to PCC

## **PCC Response to Planning Application**

### **20/02634/MNR CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW 2 STOREY MEDICAL CENTRE (D1 USE CLASS) AND PHARMACY (A1 USE CLASS), PARKING, LANDSCAPING AND ASSOCIATED WORKS LAND AT RHYDLAFAR DRIVE, ST FAGANS, CARDIFF**

PCC recognizes that this is a controversial application in the local community and, like many others, PCC regrets that the village of Pentyrch will be losing a much-valued facility and community service.

PCC objects to this application on the grounds set out below. In summary:

- Transport – the ability of the people to reach the new site by public transport, private vehicles and active travel is not sufficiently detailed and the various local issues not properly recognized in the application. It should be a condition of any potential consent that the proposed improvements and active travel routes must be in place before surgery is built.
- Parking spaces on site are insufficient. The application documents recommend 40 spaces and this is reduced to 28 as a compromise having considered the 50:50 modal split. In an area with poor public transport, none from Pentyrch to the site and no safe walking or cycling route from Pentyrch our residents will have no choice but to drive or use taxis. We also question the reality of unwell people walking/cycling to the surgery.

The proposal is described in the planning application documents as a replacement medical centre to provide a service to the northern part of the area covered by the Llandaff and Pentyrch Surgeries. The practice has an existing surgery in Llandaff covering the southern area, and the proposal is described as the replacement of the existing surgery based in Pentyrch. The application documents and attached maps indicate that the northern area includes the villages of Pentyrch, Taffs Well, Creigiau, Groesfaen, Radyr and also Gwaelod-y-Garth. Cardiff Council's Pre-Application Advice makes it clear that the application would need to demonstrate that the proposed development would be readily accessible to the local communities it is intended to serve by public transport, walking and cycling. Unfortunately, the application fails to

adequately address these issues as follows:

#### **Transport**

The Transport Assessment by Asbri submitted as part of the planning application is considered to be seriously deficient as it only addresses the transport issues along the A4119, Llantrisant Road – a route which realistically only has relevance for the communities of Groesfaen, for parts of Radyr and, to a lesser extent, Creigiau. The transport issues for those living to the north of the proposed site are almost completely ignored.

The Assessment claims that patients could walk or cycle up to 3.2kms to and from the northern area. This demonstrates that the developer has no understanding of the actual nature of the site within its location. The route from Pentyrch to the site, along Church Road, is a narrow country lane with no footpath or verge of any sort, is without street lighting and would only be cycled by the most experienced and fittest of cyclists. The route from Rhydlafar to the centre of Pentyrch gains in altitude by about 120 metres (400 feet) – and to suggest that patients could walk home from the surgery is like asking someone to walk from Pentyrch up to the top of the Garth Mountain!

Pentyrch village has only a single bus service and no other public transport. The bus service is normally hourly during the day and does not serve the Rhydlafar area. It goes in the opposite direction into Cardiff via Whitchurch.

The applicant's statement on Active Travel at Para 3.2.6/7 states that the only cycle routes which are proposed are along Llantrisant Road with no known timescale for provision and completion. Para 3.4.6 mentions 'various community transport operators' but these are not identified and are unknown. Part of this critically important paragraph has presumably been deleted as there is an incomplete sentence at the end of the paragraph.

The Planning Statement provided is inaccurate in relation to these travel issues in numerous places, for example:

Para 2.5 claims 'the site is easily accessible by pedestrian routes'.

Para 3.13 claims '.....ease of access for pedestrians...or cyclists.....from the village direction....'

The Application clearly fails to meet the requirements of the extant LDP Policies, most notably KP13 relating to sustainable neighbourhoods; KP14 relating to Healthy Lifestyles;

and also fails to comply with Planning Policy Wales Section 4.4 which requires that 'community facilities continue to address the requirements of residents in the area' and are expected to be close to the communities they serve.

The Conclusion to the Planning Statement claims at Para 5.28 that 'It has also demonstrated that sufficient multi-modal access can be achieved via an established and proposed network of active travel routes'. This is clearly untrue as there are no Active Travel Routes connecting the northern parts of the Practice Catchment area to the site at Rhydlafar.

In conclusion, it is currently impossible for residents of Pentyrch, Gwaelod and Taffs Well to access the proposed new surgery by public transport or by walking, and it is virtually impossible by bike. It is only possible to travel by private cars or taxis. The Community Council therefore strongly Objects to the Application on the grounds of the non-existent public transport provision, nor are there options available for Active Travel, to a site which is significantly remote from the communities it is intended to serve.

It is the Community Council's view that to enable this proposal to meet the needs of the community which it is intended to serve, and as an absolute minimum, a new public transport service needs to be put in place, and operating at a sufficient level, prior to the Surgery being relocated from Pentyrch to Rhydlafar. If the authority decides to grant Consent then a full and proper Public Transport Plan and its implementation should be made a Condition of any such Consent.

Further, essential improvements to the local Active Travel Network (including for Pentyrch) should be identified and included as part of the Conditions to any such planning consent.

#### **Car Parking**

The Transport Assessment from Asbri states at Para 4.5.2 'Due to the nature of the proposal it is considered that a larger proportion of individuals will either be driven or drive to the health centre. This is as a result of patients requiring medical attention often not feeling well enough to use either public transport or walk/cycle to the doctor's surgery choosing instead the convenience of a private car.'

Para 4.5.4 states 'The parking accumulation exercise demonstrates that directly comparable health

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centres can generate parking demand for around 40 vehicles.' The scheme, however, only has provision for a maximum of 28 spaces. The site has limited or no public transport connections to the communities it is intended to serve, and also has poor Active Travel options. It is clear therefore that the vehicle trip movements to the site are likely to be at least as high as Asbri's own assessment: a requirement of 40 spaces. With insufficient car parking provision patients will inevitably have to park on Rhydlafor Drive, adjacent to a bus stop, and also including one used by School Buses. The road is on a difficult bend and visibility for drivers, pedestrians and cyclists will become obscured by a line of parked cars thereby increasing the danger to all road users, including children.

**The Community Council strongly Objects to the Application on the basis of inadequate car parking provision when considering transport needs, safety considerations and the location of the proposed development.**

#### **Highway Safety**

The increase in vehicle movements is likely to cause local congestion at the dangerous junctions between the A4119 and Rhydlafor Drive and the A4119 and Crofft y Genau Road. We ask that consideration be given to making these junctions safer.

The Application includes Crash Data for the last 5 years for adjacent highways – but anecdotal evidence of residents suggests that this data is under recorded. Many minor incidents and near misses occur in this location on Rhydlafor Drive and its approach to the Llantrisant Road, as well as at the Crofft-y-Genau junction. The long bend on Rhydlafor Drive, the blind approach, the entrance to the Little Haven Nursery (for young children), and the significant slope all conspire to add to driver distraction and error. There will be a significant increase in the number of vehicle movements at this location, as a result of this proposal and also due to the large-scale housing developments nearby. The Community Council believes that inadequate consideration has been given in the Assessment to these issues and, with the known highway safety concerns at this location, asks that the Authority should give careful attention to this issue and to give full consideration to improving the safety of these junctions.

Yours faithfully,  
Helena Fox Clerk to Pentyrch CC

#### **Letter to Minister for Health February 8 2021 By Email:**

Vaughan Gething, MS  
Minister for Health and Social Services Welsh Government  
Dear Minister,

#### **Pentyrch GP Surgery : move to Rhydlafor, NW Cardiff**

PCC wishes to draw your attention to the concerns of our community about the proposed closure of the Llandaff Surgery's satellite in Pentyrch.

PCC leases land for Pentyrch Surgery so we knew that the surgery might move and made it clear that we hoped that a new site could be found in Pentyrch. We appreciate that several Pentyrch sites were explored but were extremely disappointed that none proved suitable and regret the loss of much-valued health care to the village.

For the new surgery to meet the needs of the community, and as an absolute minimum, a new public transport service must be operating before the surgery opens. Essential improvements to the local Active Travel Network, including for Pentyrch should be identified and

#### **Update from Llandaff Surgery On Proposed Surgery Relocation**

From our 1,148 patients that reside in Pentyrch, I'd like to take this opportunity to thank the many patients that have supported us over the last few months for your kind messages, cards and letters in support of the surgery relocation. The timing of our project could not have been more unfortunate given the unprecedented challenges we are all facing but we have funding secured and our desperate need for more suitable premises has also never been more apparent.

We have carefully considered all of the feedback that was provided through the engagement process; we have updated the microsite with the results and outlined how we will act on the feedback given. The microsite can be found at [www.assurapentyrch.com](http://www.assurapentyrch.com); if you do not have internet access please contact the practice who will be happy to supply a copy of the online update.

Since the beginning, when we first took over the practice in Pentyrch, we have always maintained an open and honest relationship with our patients and contrary to speculation we have continued to do this whilst going through the process of securing a home for our new building. We now eagerly await planning permission as we fear it will be impossible for us to remain in the

made. There are no Active Travel Routes connecting the northern parts of the surgery catchment area to the site at Rhydlafor and no public transport between Pentyrch and Rhydlafor now.

In the planning application, the Transport Assessment by Asbri is seriously deficient, only addressing the transport issues along the A4119. Transport for those living north of the proposed site are almost completely ignored.

We were reassured to hear that the Llandaff Surgery takes this access problem very seriously. PCC hopes to be able to raise these concerns in online meetings with Assura shortly but has had no contact with them to date.

Yours faithfully, Helena Fox  
Clerk to Pentyrch CC

cc Mark Drakeford, MS

Cardiff & Vale Health Board  
James Clemence, Head of Planning, Cardiff Council  
Tracey Enright, Practice Manager, Llandaff Surgery  
Cllrs Gavin Hill-John,  
Cllr Graham Thomas

portacabin in Pentyrch if this is not approved.

I understand some patients are concerned they will have difficulty accessing services, with longer waiting times to see a clinician. Please rest assured that one of the main reasons we need new premises is to be able to improve the scope and accessibility of our services. The proposed building for which we've sought planning permission will serve more than 5,000 patients so that we can mirror the access to services that we already provide at Llandaff Surgery.

In relation to public transport, we are continuing to work closely with Cardiff Council, local bus operators to find a suitable solution. Encouragingly, public transport serving our rural communities is already high on the agenda. We are told that a review of services will be conducted within the year and a primary objective of this will be to identify opportunities to improve connectivity amongst our villages. It is hoped capital contributions from current and future developments may be available to support and enhance new services and we are keen to offer our full support to this. We will of course update further when we can.

Please stay safe, we look forward to seeing you shortly for your JAB!!!!

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## PENTYRCH SURGERY COVID UPDATE



We are pleased to announce that over 1,200 of our patients have now received their first vaccination and we are due to commence vaccinating patients between the age of 65-69yrs. Above shows a picture of one of our patients being transported to and from their vaccination appointment by Vest transport. Vest is a great service that supports elderly and disabled people with their journey to and from their doctor's surgery, to see friends or to go shopping. To use the service, you simply need to register. We have already sent out information to our 83 patients who are over 75 who reside in Pentyrch but please contact the practice if you have not received information and feel you could benefit from this service.

## PENTYRCH SAVE OUR SURGERY GROUP

The proposed closure of Pentyrch Surgery and inevitable loss of our Pharmacy is an emotive issue. The need for our surgery was established 40 years ago. Since then the village has expanded. Over 25% of the population are over 65. The existing portacabin has always been temporary on the basis of any replacement being in Pentyrch. Over 1700 patients are registered. Creigiau and Taffs Well have smaller populations but have their own surgery.

In 2017 the Welsh Government made £68m available for improving 19 surgeries. Pentyrch was named. Criteria were 'improved quality and bringing services closer to home'. Our Health Board is required by law to consult citizens affected by proposals such as these. This has NOT happened. For consultations to be

## Reaching out to those with disability in our community, and businesses who can benefit from employing people with a disability – Councillor Sara Pickard



Having been a Community Councillor for Pentyrch for the past 10 years, and having a learning disability myself, I have always tried to look out for ways of making improvements which can benefit those with disabilities in our communities. I am always pleased to hear any suggestions about ways we can make life better for those with disabilities so that the Council can be more aware of these issues and act upon these issues too.

I work as the External Affairs Officer for Mencap Cymru but am about to take a one-year career break in order to take up a new role with the Welsh Government as one of the six Disabled People's Employment Champions who have recently been appointed.

Despite the current problems, and having to work from home, we hope to be able to start in our roles in early February and will be working as a team within the Prosperous Futures Division of the Welsh Government right across Wales. The main aim will be to increase the number of people with a disability who are in paid employment. We will be advocating strongly for the employment of disabled people by

meaningful they must be before decisions are made. Contact has only been via the Surgery and Developer. There are significant differences. Residents/patients were presented with a fait accompli and denied any opportunity for an informed discussion on a proposed closure and relocation to a smaller village 2 miles away. 6 sites were shortlisted, 5 in Pentyrch. Requests for details on the application of deciding criteria and scores have

## PCC Reports

PCC has recently met online with Llandaff Surgery and Assura (the developers) to discuss the transport concerns. The Surgery and the developers confirmed that work is being done to address public transport provision to the proposed site. The focus of this is on changes to bus routes to give access to the proposed site and to improve bus services in our area generally. We were relieved to hear this and to know that Cardiff Council is also involved in discussions with the surgery and Assura. We hope that future editions of the Link will include details about possible solutions.

**The views expressed in articles in the Community Link are not necessarily the views of the Community Council and we cannot confirm the accuracy of any data or information provided**

promoting the social model of disability. We hope to help to break down the barriers which currently prevent the way people with disabilities are viewed within society. At present disabled people are twice as likely to be unemployed, when compared to non-disabled people, and this needs to change to support the growth of the economy, and our recovery from the pandemic, in our local community as well as right across Wales.

We will be showing business leaders of small and medium sized businesses the benefits of employing people with disabilities and the types of support that are available to them. We hope we can influence and inspire change through these new roles so that Wales can lead by example in this area.

If anyone within our community, including those who are business leaders, would be interested in knowing more about this new area in which I will be working I would be very happy to hear from you.

I can be contacted on [sara.pickard@pentyrch.cc](mailto:sara.pickard@pentyrch.cc)

been refused. The Planning Application is full of errors and inaccuracies.

There is no public transport between Pentyrch and Rhydlafer. Church Road is narrow, unlit, 60mph, has blind bends and no pavements. Those unable to drive will be disenfranchised. Whatever the outcome, it should only be after a fully informed public debate. Mike Colley

## DON LLEWELLYN

It's doubtful whether anyone has made a greater contribution to the life of the community and village of Pentyrch than Don Llewellyn, who died recently at the age of 87. To many people, it's Don the historian, who will be remembered most – his obvious enthusiasm when collecting old stories, documents, pictures and articles about the area. He was delighted to be able to share that information in his warm, humorous way, with so many different societies who invited him to hold an interesting evening in their company. He was Chairman of the Pentyrch and District Local History Society, which he founded in 1993, and was responsible for producing the 61 issues of the "Garth Domain" - "a series describing local places and people as they were".

He published two novels which chronicled memories of his childhood in the village. The book he produced with his brother, Arthur, to celebrate the Centenary of Pentyrch Rugby Club is in a class of its own – not dry facts and statistics but a picture of society over the years with the colourful characters and the interesting stories coming to life in his descriptions. And he was a stalwart of Parc y Dwyrlyn – a former captain and President of Pentyrch Rugby Club. He was also part of the team that established the Museum in the Pentyrch Community Council offices. And without the efforts of Don, his great friend Norman Follis and the other founders in the 1970's we would not have had our splendid Village Hall.

His other great delight was the garden – it was a picture – full of bright colours every spring – he won a prize for the best garden in the capital city a few years ago and he was one of the founders of the Pentyrch Open Gardens weekend.

He also made an enormous contribution to the Welsh language, he fought continuously to sustain it in the community when it was under threat and was proud of the local dialect. He was encouraged to capture the rich Welsh heritage of the area and the hours of tape recordings he made in the 1960's are a source of many of the stories we've heard from Don over the years. He led Clwb y Dwyrlyn and other groups on many walks around the villages, his stories were legendary, and he would inevitably break into a rousing song before the end of the walk.

Don took a keen interest in photography when he was a boy, and like his father, he developed and printed his own photographs. That interest led him to apply for work with a new Welsh television company which became HTV, now ITV. After a decade of grounding as a film editor he became a highly acclaimed director and producer

## DON LLEWELLYN



Go brin fod neb erioed wedi gwneud mwy o gyfraniad i fywyd y pentre a'r gymuned yma ym Mhentyrch na Don Llewellyn, a fu farw'n drist o sydyn yn ddiweddar yn 87 mlwydd oed. A'r cyfraniad hwnnw wedi dod mewn cymaint o wahanol feysydd a chyfeiriadau. I lawer iawn o bobl, Don yr hanesydd gaiff ei gofio fwy - roedd ei frwdfrydedd amlwg wrth gasglu hen straeon, dogfennau, lluniau ac erthyglau am yr ardal yn heintus - ac roedd wrth ei fodd yn cael rhannu'r wybodaeth honno yn ei ffordd gynnes, llawn hiwmor gyda chymaint o wahanol gymdeithasau oedd yn ei wahoddi i gynnal noson ddifrifus yn eu cwmni. Fe oedd Cadeirydd Cymdeithas Hanes Pentyrch ac yn benna gyfrifol am gylchgrawn y "Garth Domain" fu hefyd yn gyfrwng i gyflwyno'r hanes hwnnw i bobl y fro dros y degawd diwetha.

Cyhoeddodd ddwy nofel sy'n croniclo'i atgofion o gyfnod ei blentyndod yn y pentre, ac mae'r gyfrol a luniodd e ar y cyd gyda'i frawd Arthur i ddathlu canmlwyddiant y clwb rygbi yn glasu'r o'i fath. Nid ffeithiau sych ac ystadegau,

responsible for many documentary series from all parts of the world. He won many awards – including a BAFTA – for his outdoor pursuit series Trailblazers and a New York Festival Gold Award for Survival of the Fittest.

But of all the awards none pleased him more than to be recognised by his own community – he was made a Freeman by Pentyrch Community Council and he was made a member of the Gorsedd at the Cardiff National Eisteddfod in 2018 – not so much for his work in the television world, but for his exceptional contribution in his own locality.

We extend our sympathy to Avril, Ceri and Gwynfor and their families. His funeral was held on 12 February when a large number of friends and colleagues lined the streets of Pentyrch to show their appreciation and pay tribute to the way Don enriched the life of each one of us who was fortunate to know him.

**Huw Llywelyn Davies**

ond darlun o'r gymdeithas dros y blynyddoedd, gyda'r cymeriadau lliwgar a'r hanesion difyr yn dod yn fyw yn ei ddisgrifiade. Ac roedd yn un o bilerïr achos ar Faes y Dwyrlyn - yn gyn gaptan a Llywydd ar Glwb Rygbi Pentyrch. Bu hefyd yn rhan o'r tîm sefydlodd yr Amgueddfa yn swyddfeydd Cyngor Cymuned Pentyrch, a fydd dim Neuadd Bentre ysblennydd gyda ni ym Maes y Sarn oni bai am ei ymdrechion e a'i ffrind mawr Norman Follis nôl yn y 1970au.

Dileit mawr arall oedd yr ardd - roedd honno'n bictiwr - yn ffrwydro yn lliwie llachar y blode bob Gwanwyn - enillodd wobwr am ardd hardda'r brifddinas rai blynyddoedd yn ôl, ac roedd yn un o sylfaenwyr penwthnos "Gerddi Agored Pentyrch".

Ond i ni falle taw ei gyfraniad i'r Gymraeg oedd y fwy gwerthfawr o'r cwbl. Ar ôl ail gydio yn yr iaith, bu'n brwydro'n gyson i'w chynnal yn y gymuned mewn cyfnod pan oedd dan fygythiad; yn ymhyfrydu yn y dafodiaith leol gyfoethog. Roedd ei deithiau hanesyddol o gwmpas y fro yn agoriad llygad a'i straeon yn llawn hiwmor yn ei Wenhwyseg orau.

O ran ei waith bob dydd, cafodd yrfa ddisglair yn y byd teledu, fel golygydd ffilm i ddechre gyda HTV cyn symud ymlaen i fod yn gynhyrchydd a chyfarwyddwr arbennig o ddawnus ac uchel ei barch, gan fod yn gyfrifol am lawer iawn o gyfresi a rhaglenni dogfen o bedwar ban byd. Enillodd wobwr lawer - gan gynnwys sawl BAFTA am ei waith. Yn amlwg, roedd hynny'n achos balchder mawr iddo. Ond o'i nabod, rwy'n rhyw led dybio falle bod cael ei gydnabod gan ei gymuned a'i genedl wedi golygu mwy fyth iddo - cael ei wneud yn Rhyddfreniwr yn ddiweddar gan y Cyngor Lleol, a'i Urddo i'r Orsedd yn Eisteddfod Genedlaethol Caerdydd yn 2018 - nid yn gymaint am ei waith yn y byd teledu, ond am ei gyfraniad arbennig yn ei Filtir Sgwâr. Ar ôl hir bendroni, penderfynodd ar "Don - Mab y Garth" yn enw barddol. Hollol gymwys ac addas. Ond rwy'n siŵr y bydde pawb ohonon ni sy'n ymwybodol o'r dylanwad hwnnw yma yn y pentre yn cytuno y bydde "Don - Pendefig Pentyrch" wedi bod yr un mor addas a theilwng i Don - y cymeriad a'r cymwynaswr.

Estynnwn ein cydymdeimlad i Avril, i Ceri a Gwynfor a'r wyrion a'r gor wyrion i gyd. Bydd yn gadael bwllch mawr ar ei ôl. Cynhaliwyd ei angladd ar 12 Chwefror ac roedd nifer fawr o'i gyfeillion a gydnabod ar strydoedd y pentref i ddweud ffarwel, i dalu teyrnged a dangos eu gwerthfawrogiad o'r ffordd y mae wedi cyfoethogi bywyd pob yr un ohonon ni fu'n ddigon ffodus i gael ei adnabod. **Huw Llywelyn Davies**

## **An Appreciation of Don Llewellyn**

In 1970 Don agreed to be Publicity Manager for the fundraising campaign for Pentyrch Village Hall. With three new estates being built, he and others realised a social hub would be needed to help the integration of new and old villagers.

Don wrote the campaign appeal leaflets and application forms for the Founder Subscription Scheme delivered to every house in January 1971.

He produced regular newsletters detailing the progress. In 1972 costs had doubled leading to a call to "regroup and prepare for battle". Through 1973 to 1975 regular evenings were arranged by Don at the Double Diamond Club with Max Boyce, Mike and Bernie Winters and Ryan Davies.

Again, the costs went up- to £58,000! Then- Norman Follis did the walk. Blind for 28 years he walked 14 miles along country roads, and triumphed.

At last, in 1976, the Hall was completed. Without Don and his contacts, his knowledge of the village inhabitants, foresightedness and persuasiveness, Pentyrch would not enjoy the wonderful facility we have today.

A consummate professional, he was rightly proud of the story of our village hall and was equally proud of the commitment shown by those entrusted with its management since 1976. I believe the Hall stands as proof of the ability of ordinary people to be inspired and I believe Don was a major inspiration. What a friend he was to me, to Pentyrch and especially to Pentyrch Village Hall.

Thank you, Don

### **Clwb y Dwrllyn**

During this difficult period we were deeply saddened to lose two exceptional friends. Brian Davies was one of our founder members whose entertaining personality enriched our lives.

Don Llewellyn was also a dear friend who made such a valued contribution to our village life. He addressed us on numerous occasions and led us on many memorable walks, sharing with pride his vast knowledge of the area.

Our sympathy goes out to both families.

### **PENTYRCH HORTICULTURAL COOKERY AND CRAFT SHOW**

Due to the ongoing pandemic, the committee regrets that the 2021 show will not take place.

## **DON LLEWELLYN**



A prolific writer, Don Llewellyn will be remembered locally for many things, not least for the over 60 editions of the local history publication, Garth Domain. It was in the context of local history that Don and I first met. I was researching the Lan colliery mine disaster for my novel, The House of Abraham Phillips, and Don was the proof reader. From that day on, we have interacted regularly on local history topics. He was an expert - a life time resident full of memories and recollections, me a relative new comer of just some thirty years in the village.

In 2012, at the first ever memorial to those who lost their lives at the Lan, Don was the key speaker. Having spent years behind the camera and directing, he held the audience enrapt. Some tears were shed as he uttered the heart-felt cry of a trapped miner 'Arglwydd, achub fi nawr'.. Lord save me, and Abraham Phillips' calm response, 'Cymryd pethau'n dawel'. take things quiet/ stay calm.

The Lan History Project is in debt to Don Llewellyn. He gave his permission for the use of all his photographs and texts relating to local history. As he moves to his final resting place, his name will remain on the lips of many. We send our condolences to Avril and his family, with the assurance that Don's name and work will live on. Norma Procter

### **Clwb y Dwrllyn**

Tristwch mawr i ni yn ystod y cyfnod anodd hwn oedd colli dau oedd â chysylltiad agos iawn â Chlwb y Dwrllyn. Fe welwn eisiau Brian Davies un o aelodau cynhara'r gymdeithas yn fawr. Cofiwn ei gyfraniad arbennig mewn sawl maes, ei hiwmor iach a'i bersonoliaeth unigryw. Bu'n fraint cael ei adnabod.

Roedd Don Llewellyn yn un arall o gymwynaswyr y Dwrllyn ac mae gennym i gyd atgofion gwerthfawr am ei sgysiau difyr a'r lluo o deithiau cerdded diddorol a aweiniodd o gwmpas yr ardal ac yntau yn ei elfen yn rhannu gyda balchder ei wybodaeth eang am hanes ei filltir sgwâr.

Trysorwn gyfraniad nodedig y ddau ac estynnwn ein cydymdeimlad i'w teuluoedd.

## **Pentyrch and District Local History Society**

### **A tribute to our late chairman Don Llewellyn**

In 1993 Don Llewellyn and a group of friends had an idea to share with the people of Pentyrch and surrounding areas their enthusiasm for Local History in all its forms. To capture oral accounts of traditions and to write and discuss our own "people's history" so as not to lose our shared heritage.

To this end, the Pentyrch and District Local History Society was formed. Don has been our chairman from the beginning until his sudden death in January.

He will be greatly missed as friend, mentor, raconteur and wit and an enormous fund of knowledge on our area.

He has left us with a great deal of meticulously researched written material. He was the editor and one of the main contributors to his series of 61 pamphlets called "The Garth Domain." He was also responsible for the compiling and publishing of the book of photos of Pentyrch, Creigiau and Gwaelod-y-Garth. Don realised how important it was to record details of everyday life before it disappeared from memory. His legacy will live on in our society and so to future generations.

Rest in peace dear friend, you and your words will not be forgotten, they are now an integral part of our local history.

### **Merched y Wawr**

Er bod y cyfyngiadau ar ein cymdeithasu yn parhau mae'r mudiad mor weithgar ag erioed a lluo o ddigwyddiadau diddorol yn digwydd yn rhithiol. Yng nghyfarfod cynta'r flwyddyn buom yn ddigon ffodus i gael cwmni'r awdures Angharad Tomos a bu'n sôn am gefndir ei nofel ddiweddera 'Castell Siwgr'- nofel sy'n olrhain hanes dwy ferch ifanc a'u cysylltiad â theulu'r Penrhyn - un yn y castell yng ngogledd Cymru a'r llall ym mhlanhigfa'r teulu yn Jamaica.

Mae nifer o gyfarfodydd hefyd yn digwydd ar lefel ranbarthol a braf oedd cael cwmni Betsan Powys cyn-olygydd rhaglenni gyda'r BBC i'n diddanu. Mewn cyfarfod arall llwyddwyd i gysylltu â thair merch sy'n byw ym Mhatagonia a'u clywed yn rhannu eu profiadau am fywyd yn y Wladfa. Yn ogystal â hyn mae gweithgareddau amrywiol yn digwydd yn gyson, yn darlithoedd, yn weithdai, boreau coffi, podlediadau a chystadlaethau.

## RESIDENTS OF CREIGIAU TO RUN RECREATION FIELD

We are pleased to inform you that the newly formed Creigiau Recreation Charity (Elusen Hamdden Creigiau) is now running and maintaining the Creigiau Recreation Field on a lease granted by the PCC for 30 years.

The Charity can now progress with taking action in implementing the exciting plans for development of the "REC" which will greatly improve the recreation and sporting facilities within the village.

New Trustees have come on board bringing enthusiasm and expertise that will help drive forward and achieve completion of the plans.

The Charity comprises 11 Trustees from the local area, with wide ranging and highly relevant skills and expertise. We have access to Accountancy, Administration and Management skills and the requisite enthusiasm to drive forward our extensive plans to improve the recreation and sporting facilities within the village boundary.

The field and pavilion have had little improvement over the last 40 years. Any changes that have taken place have been made by the sporting clubs themselves and the previous Management Committee (CRAMC). The new Charity's plans include:

**Pavilion Extension** – to allow increased use of an enlarged meeting room perhaps to include indoor fitness training, yoga or perhaps art or craft classes and to provide changing facilities suitable for multi-gender sports and disability access which at present is impossible.

**Multi Use Games Area (MUGA)** - which will give residents of all ages the opportunity to use an all-weather surface for sport or training. If possible, it will be fitted with lights and, if affordable, a small play area close by for the younger children.

**Perimeter Path** – to allow access to the whole of the field, wide enough for a pushchair or wheelchair, its design will make walking or running a safe and enjoyable

experience. We are also considering the positioning of outdoor exercise devices along the path to give the possibility of outdoor training.

We will also be aiming to address the access and drainage issues that affect the field. While some of these are outside the boundaries of our lease we will use as many opportunities as we can to improve the environment.

In the coming months we will be contacting as many groups and individuals as we can to ensure there is community involvement in our plans and give everyone the opportunity to engage with our work.

Please follow us or contact us on any of the sites below, especially if you are willing to help and you have experience in large funding applications or in architecture and building planning.

For more information please contact  
info@creigiaurec.com

www.twitter.com/creigiaurec

www.facebook.com/groups/creigiaurec

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## CENSUS 2021

Census 2021 will take place on Sunday 21 March 2021 across Wales and England.

The local Census engagement managers are keen to chat to local organisations, charities, faith groups and community leaders within the Cardiff raise awareness of the census and the value to residents in taking part.

The census is a once-in-a-decade survey that provides a snapshot of households in England and Wales, helping to plan and fund public services.

Everyone across England and Wales will be asked to take part and the information people give will decide how services are planned and funded. Ultimately, it ensures funds are invested in emergency services, health care, school places and other vital services.

Pete Benton, Director of Census and Survey Operations, said: "The census engagement managers and community advisers we have appointed have a critical role in making sure everyone understands why the census is important and making sure all households across England and Wales know why it is important to take part and how to get the help they need."

For the first time, the census will be run primarily online, making it easy for most people to complete the questionnaire on any device – whether that be a computer, a mobile phone or a tablet. We wanted to reassure everyone that all census staff will operate in line with the Government's latest Covid-19 guidance.

The 2021 Census will include a new question on veterans of the UK Armed Forces, as well as voluntary questions, for those aged 16 and over, on sexual orientation and gender identity.

The census will be held on 21 March 2021. While results will be available the following year, all personal records will be locked away for 100 years and kept safe for future generations. For more information, visit census.gov.uk To reach the census engagement manager/community adviser local to your area please contact: Ena Lloyd - ena.lloyd16@field.census.gov.uk / or Phil Burkhard philip.burkhard70@field.census.gov.uk



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If you answered yes to any of the above then Fresh Air Fridays Sessions running in Pentyrch may be just what you need.

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# KEEP CREIGIAU TIDY

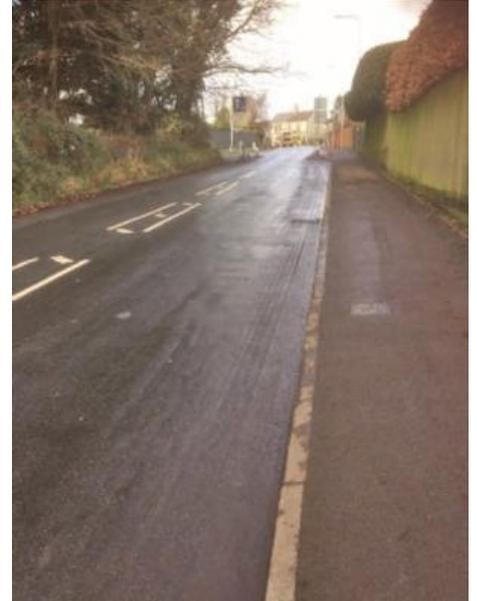
## December Leaf Sweep

On a quiet Sunday morning, a small group of volunteers cleared the leaves from Ty Nant Road by the primary school and then on Cardiff Road by Tesco – two active parts of the village, where there can be a build-up of leaves which can lead to slippery conditions and blocked drains. Large, compostable leaf bags were provided by Cardiff Council as part of their 'Love where you Live' programme to support community volunteering.

Liaison with Cardiff Council also resulted in 3 sweeper machines arriving to do a mechanical leaf clear up plus a couple of Council teams in collection vehicles, which really helped with the rest of the village.



**A big thank you, diolch, to all the volunteers who turned out (before and after photos). Same again, this Autumn ?**



## Drain Unblocking



The leaves block the drains, which can leave to localised flooding, and it is not always clear that this is a regular planned maintenance programme by the Council to remove the leaves. One of our volunteers keen to fix the problem, got stuck in, literally.

## Drop off Point for Food Bank Donations

Creigiau Carnival have kindly donated a covered blue bin that has been placed outside the Church Hall as an outdoor, easy to access, drop off point for food and toiletry donations for donation to local Food banks. With thanks as always, to the Church Hall team for allowing us to use their grounds as it is a lovely central location.

## Welsh Heritage Fruit Trees

Whilst it is always good to plant trees, some trees punch above their weight in terms of their value. We are really privileged to have been given some amazing welsh heritage trees by Natural Resources Wales for planting here in Creigiau. The trees are:

- -Gwell Na Mil (seek no further) Monmouth Apple
- -Afal Ynys Enlli (Bardsey Island) Apple
- -Glan Sevin (Ilangadog) apple
- -Monmouth Beauty (Malpas 1750) apple
- -Pig y Golomen (Pigeon's Beak) from Pembroke/Denbigh/Anglesey apple
- -Marged Nicolas (Carmarthen) apple
- -St Cecilia (Bassaleg) apple
- -Pig Aderyn (st Dogmael's Abbey) apple
- -Pig Aderyn (st Dogmael's Abbey) apple
- -Afal Nant apple
- -Denbighshire plum – only welsh native plum
- -Cariad cherry (Caernarfon)

How exciting are they? This is our living plant genetic history and we are playing our part in preserving these welsh plant genes and more importantly, they should provide food for people and wildlife for future generations.

The trees are to be planted on PCC land, on the opposite side of the Frog/Duck Pond at Ffordd Dinefwr, as soon as practicable.

## Tin on The Wall/Lawn/Bench



We have had 3 'tin on the wall/lawn' Foodbank Friday collections in Creigiau (November, December and January). Thank you so much to everyone who participated, community groups such as Garth Rotary, Creigiau Golf Club, Creigiau Primary School, Creigiau 23 and Creigiau WI, as well as the volunteer collectors and so many individuals who donated so much.

The response has been overwhelming, at a time when the need for generosity is greater than ever.

## Edible Cardiff - Free Vegetable & Seed Giveaway Programme

We want to continue our participation in the 'Stay Home Grow Veg' working with partners as part of the Edible Cardiff network. Last year, we received amazing bumper packs of healthy vegetable plug plants throughout the growing season for sharing, which we partnered up with tomatoes, cucumber and chilli plants that local green fingered residents had grown. This year, we want to repeat, so if you are someone who likes to grow plants, why not plant a few extra for sharing within the community.

# KEEP CREIGIAU TIDY

## More Bulb Planting

We are part of a wider Cardiff network of local food growing and community groups who share resources. This month, we received a donation, this time of bulbs from Llanrumney Community who had received a large consignment of leftover bulbs from a DIY store. Just like food, there can be wastage at the end of a season, and bulbs have a short shelf life, so we were more than happy to get a share of the bulbs and plant and distribute to others.



## Saving the Footpaths

The footpaths group have continued documenting issues with paths within the PCC area despite the various COVID-19 lockdowns.

So far more than 20 Condition Reports have been submitted to Cardiff Council and other urgent issues have been raised with Cardiff Council.

With PCC support (Councillors Amanda Thorpe, Karen Thomas & Stuart Thomas) we are engaging with Ramblers & other community groups and starting to document circular footpath walks, with the aim of producing a community walking booklet (online and hard copy).

Several people have contacted us through llwybrtroed@gmail.com with footpath concerns, and more are welcome.

## AGM on Teams

As with all of our community groups, our AGM was held virtually at the start of January. This new format for meetings is working well. One highlight was that we are a community sports affiliated group (Parkour) now to help us claim gift aid. Although, we do not need much money to operate, there are running costs such as insurance, purchasing of equipment and bulbs & seeds so every bit really does help.

## Penrhys Pilgrimage Way

The Penrhys Pilgrimage Way historic footpath travels through Creigiau. In 2020, way markers were installed and there is now a fundraising programme to design & make bilingual historical interpretation boards in all the different communities that the Pilgrimage Way travels through, including Creigiau. Cardiff Council have offered to install the boards, free of charge.

Thanks to the generosity of some lovely Creigiau residents, Pentyrch Community Council and Creigiau 23, the design costs have been found and is part of the first batch to be created. The Penrhys Pilgrimage Way is now fundraising for the funds to make the Boards (Penrhys Pilgrimage email: ppwp2020@gmail.com).

If you are interested in local history and want to help write the words about our Creigiau heritage associated with the Pilgrimage Way and Castell Mynach, please volunteer as these words will be around for many years, so important to get it correct and interesting to read (amanda.thorpe@pentyrch.cc).

## Reporting village maintenance



We had great success in January. After months of reporting to Cardiff Council, a path in poor condition, has finally been repaired and is now fit for use. A block of street lights has also been fixed. (Playground next, hopefully).

If you see anything in the village that needs repairing, please help by reporting it. We used the Cardiff Council app. Which has a function for reporting fly-tipping, block drains, path potholes.

## Spotlight on our Volunteers



David Thomas, proving that you are never too young to be a hero. David turned 80 at the start of 2021. Thank you, diolch for all that you do.

## Litter & Dog Poo Bags



When your outdoor journey must start and end at your house, it is no trouble at all to take your litter and dog poo bags home – there has been an increase in PPE type litter and dog poo bags at a time when volunteers have to be extra cautious in picking up after everyone, so please... your waste, your dog poo, please take it home to your bin.

We are still doing small solo litter pickers by individuals and as always, the people who are picking up the rubbish are never the same, selfish lot who put it there.



## **Creigiau Councillor Reports - Amanda Thorpe**

We have been asked to give reports on some of the behind the scenes work that we do to support the community. This is my report, first time of doing this, that highlights some of the most recent activities.

Much of my Councillor's work programme is divided 30% doing and 70% facilitating or enabling, often through administrative (i.e. emails) or meeting and networking with different people and organisations. This can sometimes, have less visibility than the more active litter picking or bulb planting and can take a longer time to achieve any deliverable outcomes. There are many activities we have all had to pause right now, but this is also an opportunity to try and progress other projects and tasks, especially if all they require is a bit of talking and doing emails. Working in key themes, and with the full support of our Chair, Stuart Thomas, this is a snapshot of some of the most recent work:

**Children & Youth Wellbeing** – meetings and enabling Play Wales & Cardiff Council to start bringing more play sessions for primary school children to our village. We are sadly labelled as 'play deprived' by Play Wales and so the more partnership & facilitating we can do with responsible play providers, the better. Play Wales has an equal and secondary objective to provide training and involvement of youngsters (14-19) who are interested in working with children as a career or in a voluntary capacity, and where it can be difficult to get any practical experience. Working with Cardiff Council and physically getting them to our village has prompted conversations about including us in a city-wide grant application for play equipment. Video conversations with the Cardiff Council Youth team in 2020 have highlighted that there is more work to be done by us all, to encourage greater outreach and inclusion of our youngsters in North West Cardiff in the work programme of Cardiff Council.

**Creigiau Playground** – we have all long wanted a new playground. It was lovely to see the old one being demolished in January. However, there is now the need to follow up to find out when the new playground is arriving. No idea what we are getting, when we are getting it or why the new one has not been installed immediately after the old one was taken away.

**External Defibrillator** – In the

summer, I enabled Community Heartbeat Trust (CHT) to adopt the old phone box in the centre of the village for use as an outdoor defibrillator station. It is a central location and all of the defibs in Creigiau seem to be inside buildings, some of which were closed during the lockdown. Garth Rotary have kindly and generously donated the defibrillator and cabinet to Creigiau, which is a useful, practical gift to the village. Pentyrch Community Council are paying directly for the installation by an approved electrician and bilingual sign. This all happened because a lovely resident was looking for a suitable location for a pop-up library and was able to track down the adoption team within BT for us to make first contact to start this. Thank you to Danny & Anne.

**Footpaths** – we have a fantastically high number of footpaths in our community, all well used at the moment. Many need repairs to the paths and stiles and gates, some need way markers to stop us getting lost or to guide us in the right direction and quite a few need to be 'unblocked'. We have an amazing volunteer footpath group who are carrying out systematic condition survey reports and forwarding them to Cardiff Council. The group are also documenting the walks for future generations to use. My contribution is to support, organise our video meetings with all kinds of lovely folk, and just learn from all that they are doing to help with making not just informed decisions, but to support at all times.

**Adult Wellbeing** – we had our first Forum on the subject of wellbeing in February, with an incredible bunch of women, who all have a wealth of knowledge and are already contributing to the local wellbeing of our communities. My job here, is simply to be the connecting glue and with the assistance of our community engagement officer, Deb Hunt, to try and both communicate the existence of a lot of doorstep expertise and resource, and then to expand on this and to do as much as we can.

**Wellbeing & Climate Change in PCC** - Within the Community Council, we have established a thriving Wellbeing & Climate Change Working Group with more than 50% of the PCC now involved. We tend to meet monthly. Being a Working Group allows us more freedom to engage with both individuals and organisations and provides for more scrutiny and extra attention on specific topics. As a Community Council, we manage a significant

amount of land in the community, including the Garth, and there is so much risk and opportunity associated with our landholdings in terms of how we make the most of our land in the 'here and now' and how we optimise the value of our green spaces to the community & nature, without compromising the use of our land by future generations. Other key topics include the need to improve both active and public transport provision for our community, the requirement to persuade others to upgrade and protect the footpaths and how we can best support our community groups through the establishment of a Community Support Fund.

**Climate Change** – Cardiff Council has published its One Planet Cardiff Strategy, and already, we have been able to use this to have useful conversations with Cardiff Council. Pentyrch Community Council has declared a climate emergency, as has Cardiff but how that gets translated into any meaningful projects and services in our part of north west Cardiff will be the challenge.

**Food Growing & Edible Cardiff** – one of the key themes of the One Planet Cardiff Strategy is to increase local food growing and last year, I was fortunate to have Creigiau included in the 'stay home, grow food' programme within Cardiff. Edible Cardiff is an amazing network of enthusiastic practitioners and joining in on their February Teams meeting was a little pop of positivity and wellbeing. The networking at these type of events always provides useful information on different projects that we can take part in and incredible individuals and groups who are doing amazing things in the city, and by simply participating, there can be lots of useful opportunities that we would not otherwise know about.

**Village Maintenance** – Cardiff Council have an app for reporting things that are broken and need fixing. It helps Cardiff identify where and what needs repairing. I reported the poor state of the footpath by Woodland Crescent (numerous times) and the broken lighting on the main Cardiff Road opposite Tesco. Both were fixed in January. Cardiff Council did a really good job on the path and in fixing the streetlights .... Small, but important, maintenance tasks that were no trouble to report and now fixed... drains are probably next on the list.

**Keep Creigiau Tidy** – litter picking, leaf sweeping, bulb planting,

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# Planning Applications

The Community Council is a statutory consultee for planning applications. These applications are discussed at our monthly Planning Committee meetings and as a part of our monthly Council meetings. Members of the public are able to attend these meetings as observers. The minutes of the planning meetings are published on our website..Pentyrch.cc/Committees. Where PCC has objected or commented on an application you can see full details of comment / objection within the meeting minutes.

Details of the Cardiff County Council weekly applications and decided planning lists can also be seen [www.pentyrch.cc/Planning](http://www.pentyrch.cc/Planning) You can view pending planning applications on the County Council website [www.cardiff.gov.uk/planning](http://www.cardiff.gov.uk/planning) and follow the appropriate links Use the 'View Planning Applications' to lodge comments on current applications

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**Ty Clyd, Heol Goch:** The demolition of the bungalow has been approved and will be replaced with four new homes.

**16/1385/13 RCT** Variation of condition to extend time for compliance on Land West of A4119 Cefn Yr Hendy. PCC makes no comment at this time.

**20/02412/DCH** Proposed Double Garage And Rear Single Storey Extension To Property 62 Parc-Y-Coed, Creigiau, Cardiff, CF15 9LZ. **PCC No Comment**

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community planter maintenance

**Tin on the Wall** – Participated in 3 tin on the wall/lawn Foodbank Friday collections organised in Creigiau – to witness the kindness of an entire village is simply humbling and breath-taking. Thank you, diolch.

**Liaison with Community Engagement Officer** – I have been asked to be the Creigiau Liaison Officer to work and strengthen ties with the Community Council Engagement Officer. We have held 2 online meetings already and this is a great start for 2021 to work together and for Creigiau to make better and more use of our lovely Community Engagement Officer.

**Support for Grant Applications** – Most grant applications for funding welcome accompanying letters showing community support and this is something that is always a lovely (zero cost) mechanism that the Community Council can assist with. Creigiau Cricket Club have had great success in recent years by asking for a letter of support and I have appreciated assisting in the drafting of these letters, including the one for this month to apply for much needed funds for a cricket training net.

**20/02323/DCH** Two-Storey Infill Extension To Front Elevation With Side And Rear Single Storey Extensions And Associated Works Cattwg Cottage, Church Road, Pentyrch, Cardiff, CF15 9QF. **PCC Objected**

**20/02351/MJR** Variation Of Conditions 1, 2, 12, 13, 15, 21 - 23, 25, 26, 30, 40 - 42, 46 - 50 & 51(C) Of Planning Permissions 3040 And T56/90/0867 To Extend The Permitted Extraction Boundary, Provide A New Safe Access To The Garth Iron Mines And Revise The Boundary, Enclosure, Tree Protection, Working, Blasting, Dust Control, Noise, Northern Area Landscaping, Ecological Protection, Interim Restoration, Detailed Restoration, Aftercare And Mines Protection Schemes Taffs Well Quarry, Heol Goch, Pentyrch, Cardiff, CF15 9PN. **PCC Commented**

**20/02389/DCH** Two-Storey Side Extension And Single Storey Rear Extension 10 Penmaes, Pentyrch, Cardiff, Cf15 9qs **PCC No comment** Permission granted

**Pentyrch 25:** Diversion of footpath Pentyrch 25 is approved.

**20/02398/MJR** Variation Of Condition 1 To Allow For Alterations To Elevation Treatment Of The Hawthorn Block Of Flats (Plots 124-135) Previously Approved Under 17/01012/Mjr Goitre Fach Farm, Llantrisant Road, St Fagans, Cardiff, CF5 6JD. **PCC No Comment**

**20/02469/DCH** Demolition Of Existing Garage And Construction Of A Two Storey Side Extension 102 Parc-Y-Fro, Creigiau, Cardiff, CF15 9SB. **PCC Objected**

**20/02524/DCH** Two Storey Side And Rear Extension Gelli Dawel, Cefn Bychan, Pentyrch, Cardiff, CF15 9PG. **PCC No Comment.** Permission Granted

**20/00863/MNR** Barn at Elm Cottage, Heol y Parc, Pentyrch CF15 9NB : proposed conversion of existing barn to 3 self-contained tourism units. Permission refused

**20/02634/MNR** Construction Of A New 2 Storey Medical Centre (D1 Use Class) And Pharmacy (A1 Use Class), Parking, Landscaping And Associated Works Land At Rhydlafer Drive, St Fagans, Cardiff **PCC Objected**

**The PCC detailed response to the planning application to relocate the surgery is given on pages 13 to 17**

**20/01865/DCH** 118 Parc y Fro Creigiau, CF15 9SB : two-storey side extension : **Permission granted**

**20/01703/MNR** Land at 9 Bryn Briallu, Creigiau CF15 9PR : retrospective change of use from paddock/agricultural land to private domestic garden : **Permission granted**

**20/0792/DCH** 9 Bryn Briallu, Creigiau CF15 9PR : single storey rear extension : granted

**20/00075/MNR** Land at Ty Clyd, Heol Goch, Pentyrch CF15 9PN : Demolition of existing dwelling and construction of 3 detached dwellings : **Permission granted**

**20/01699/MNR** Land at Mountain Road, Pentyrch : construction of two dwellings : granted

**20/02509/DCH** First Floor Side Extension 3 Llys Tudful, Creigiau, Cardiff, CF15 9JZ. **PCC No Comment.** Permission Granted

**20/00652/DCH** 47 Parc y Bryn, Creigiau CF15 9SE : demolition of semi-detached single-storey garage and construction of two-storey side and single-storey rear extension: **Permission granted.**



# Pentyrch Neighbourhood Watch Spring Newsletter



## TAKING A STAND AGAINST SCAMS

More than 5 million people a year fall victim to scams. The internet is the delivery channel for 84% of identity fraud in the UK. People are twice as likely to fall victim of fraud than any other crime. Surprisingly and sadly, only 5% of scams are reported. If you are interested in helping to track down the criminals who are behind these schemes then being a Scam Marshall for National Trading Standards is for you. Being a Marshall involves sharing experiences, helping others to recognise and report scams and, sending scam mail to the National Trading Standards Team. Scam Marshalls play a huge role in helping stop scam mail.

For more information visit 'friendsagainstscams.org.uk/scammarshall'. Why not give it a go?

## CHURCH ROAD A LONG AND WINDING ROAD

In 2016 PNW raised with Cardiff Council the dangers and poor state of repair of this important road. Little did we realise the enormity of trying to have this road brought up to an acceptable standard. Continual potholes and broken verges along a narrow, 60mph, unlit road with several blind bends caused many incidents. Scores of emails later the turning point came in early 2020 when the 3rd of 3 public meetings endorsed a 4 point petition. Thanks go to Natasha Evans, a Rhydlafer resident, who triggered these meetings and who actively worked with PNW to amass over 700 signatures on the petition before Covid brought it to a halt. PNW used the clout from the petition to apply pressure on Cardiff Council. In August 2020 PNW met with Cardiff Council representatives and agreed a plan of action. The eventual result is there for all to see. Whilst we did not get all we sought the road is a huge improvement on what it was. It shows what can be achieved when people come together to speak as one. Well done to all those attending the meetings and who signed the petition. This is your success.

## RUBBISH

Praise goes to the Saint household in Pentyrch for their voluntary litter clearance by the M4 bridge. An excellent job. Anyone fancy tackling Heol Goch?

## COVID RESTRICTIONS POLICE ACTION

Thanks to the new vaccines and a majority of people abiding by what they should, rather than what they can do, the number contracting Covid is once again falling. However, there are still many who consider themselves immune, are unconcerned about passing it on to others and/or, care little for those working in the NHS trying to save the lives of those unfortunate enough to contract Covid. As a

consequence South Wales Police have rightly decided that trying to educate some people to the dangers of Covid no longer works and so are now issuing fixed penalty notices for blatant breaches of the regulations such as anyone driving to the Garth or Tyn y Coed woods for exercise. This includes Pentyrch residents. This will be the case at least as long as we remain in Tier 4 which restricts travel to only for essential purposes.

## PENTYRCH SURGERY

Followers of any of the Pentyrch Facebook sites will know that following representations from many residents who were very concerned over the sudden announcement that there was an intention to close our surgery and open a new one 2 miles away, PNW agreed to help set up and facilitate a Save Our Surgery Group comprising villagers and PNW representatives. The group meets frequently with the objective of seeking to retain not just the surgery in Pentyrch but also the highly valued Pharmacy. The total absence of an open and informed discussion with residents in any part of the decision making process prior to decisions being made is regrettable and a breach of the NHS (Wales) Act 2006. This is not a lost cause by any means. Please read the limited PSOS article elsewhere in this publication and watch out for further Facebook updates.

## COVID -19 VACCINE SCAMS

Please remind family and friends particularly the more vulnerable ones amongst us that the vaccine is only available on the NHS and is FREE of charge. The NHS will NEVER ask you for details about your bank account or to pay for the vaccine. If you receive an email, text message or phone call purporting to be from the NHS and you are asked to provide any financial details, this is a scam. The NHS will NEVER;

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### ANTI-BULLYING WEEK

During the Autumn Term we celebrated Anti-Bullying Week. The theme this year is 'United Against Bullying'. Anti-Bullying Week is aimed at sending a clear and positive message that bullying is neither acceptable nor inevitable in our schools and communities. Throughout the week the pupils undertook a variety of age appropriate activities and lessons. The pupils enjoyed participating in role play looking at bullying scenarios with a positive solution; listening to a Jessie J song and discussing the interpretation of the lyrics about the pressure of looking perfect and to have the confidence to be yourself; wearing odd socks and creating informative anti-bullying posters. We ended a busy week by celebrating World Children's Day 2020.



Class 5 created Anti-Bullying Posters

### WYTHNOS GWRTH-FWLIO

Yn ystod Tymor yr Hydref dathlon ni Wythnos Gwrth-fwlio. Y thema eleni yw 'Unedig yn Erbyn Bwlio'. Nod yr Wythnos Gwrth-fwlio yw anfon neges glir a chadarnhaol nad yw bwlio yn dderbyniol yn ein hysgolion a'n cymunedau. Trwy gydol yr wythnos bu'r disgyblion yn ymgymryd ag amrywiaeth o weithgareddau a gwersi. Mwynheuodd y disgyblion chwarae rôl gan edrych ar senarios bwlio gyda datrysiaid cadarnhaol; gwrando ar gân Jessie J a thrafod dehongliad y geiriau; gwisgo sanau gwahanol a chreu posteri gwybodaeth am wrth-fwlio. Daethom a'n hwythnos brysur i ben trwy ddathlu Diwrnod Plant y Byd 2020.

### AHOY ME HEARTIES!

In December the pupils enjoyed a pantomime and a virtual workshop to raise awareness of food safety and hygiene by the Food Standards Agency in Wales.

### NATIONAL RAIL SAFETY PRESENTATION

Our Year 4, 5 and 6 pupils have participated in live National Rail Safety presentations this term. They all enjoyed the fun presentations and learned important messages from the comfort of their own homes.

### CYFLWYNIADAU DIOGELWCH

Mae disgyblion Blwyddyn 4, 5 a 6 wedi cymryd rhan mewn cyflwyniadau diogelwch gan Reilffyrdd Cenedlaethol y tymor hwn. Mwynheuon nhw'r cyflwyniadau hwyliog a dysgon nhw negeseuon pwysig o'u cartrefi eu hunain.

### PERFFORMIADAU NADOLIG

Ar ddiwedd y tymor recordiwyd pob un dosbarth yn perfformio eitem Nadoligaidd. Lanlwythwyd pob perfformiad i Grŵp Teams y Dosbarth. Roedd teuluoedd y disgyblion wrth eu boddau yn eu gwyltio!

### FIRST THREE DROPS' SHOW

Before the Christmas break our Reception, Class 1 and Class 2 pupils watched an interactive show in their classrooms. 'First Three Drops' was a brand-new play performed live over Zoom. It was a funny and magical story of adventure in English and British Sign Language. The pupils all thoroughly enjoyed the show.

### SIOE 'FIRST THREE DROPS'

Cyn gwyliau'r Nadolig gwylodd disgyblion Reception, Class 1 a Class 2 sioe ryngweithiol yn eu hystafelloedd dosbarth. Roedd 'First Three Drops' yn ddrama newydd sbon a berfformiwyd yn fyw dros Zoom. Mwynheuodd y disgyblion y stori ddoniol a hudolus.

### DYSGU O ADREF

Ers mis Ionawr mae'r disgyblion wedi bod yn dysgu o adref. Rydyn ni'n falch iawn ohonynt a'r ffordd maen nhw wedi addasu i'r ffordd newydd hon o weithio mor gyflym. Diolch o galon i'n holl rieni/ofalwyr am gefnogi eu plant gyda'u dysgu yn ogystal ag ymdopi gyda'u hymrwymadau gwaith eu hunain. Mae'r disgyblion yn ymgysylltu â'r staff yn y 'gwersi byw' dyddiol ac maent i gyd yn mwynhau'n fawr. Gwaith tîm arbennig – diolch.

### AHOI BLANTOS!

Ym mis Rhagfyr mwynheuodd y disgyblion bantomeim a gweithdy rhithwir gan Asiantaeth Safonau Bwyd yng Nghymru er mwyn codi ymwybyddiaeth o hylendid a diogelwch bwyd.

### ELECTRICAL SAFETY WORKSHOP

Recently Class 6 and Dosbarth 6 participated in a live Electrical Safety Workshop delivered by Western Power Distribution on Zoom. They thoroughly enjoyed learning new facts and information during the interactive workshop.

### GWEITHDY DIOGELWCH TRYDANOL

Yn ddiwedd cymerodd Dosbarth 6 a Class 6 ran mewn Gweithdy Diogelwch Trydanol a gyflwynwyd gan Western Power Distribution yn fyw ar Zoom. Roedd y disgyblion wedi mwynhau dysgu ffeithiau a gwybodaeth newydd yn ystod y gweithdy rhyngweithiol.

### CREIGIAU TOTE BAGS

The Friends of The School organised a very successful enterprise before Christmas. With the help of our Year 6 pupils they designed canvas tote bags. They sold out within days - everyone who bought one was very pleased with their purchase!



### BAGIAU COTWM CREIGIAU

Trefnodd Gyfeillion yr Ysgol fenter lwyddiannus iawn cyn y Nadolig. Gyda chymorth disgyblion Blwyddyn 6 fe wnaethant ddylunio bagiau cotwm. Roedden nhw wedi gwerthu allan o fewn dyddiau - roedd pawb a brynodd un yn hapus iawn gyda'u bag!

### HOME LEARNING

Since the beginning of the Spring Term the pupils have been learning from home. We are very proud of them and how they have adapted to this new way of working so quickly. Many thanks to all our parents/carers for supporting their children with their learning as well as coping with their own work commitments. All pupils are engaging with the staff in the daily 'live lessons' which they are all thoroughly enjoying. Excellent teamwork - thank you.

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Cyn i ni gau ar gyfer gwyliau'r Nadolig mwyneuedd y disgyblion barti Nadolig yn eu dosbarthiadau. Yn ystod y prynhawn cyrhaeddodd ymwelydd arbennig yr ysgol - syrpreis i'r disgyblion a'r staff! Cafodd y disgyblion i gyd anrheg fechan - diolch Siôn Corn!

### AN IMPORTANT VISITOR!

Before we closed for the Christmas holidays the pupils enjoyed a Christmas party in their classrooms. During the afternoon a special visitor arrived at the school - a surprise for the pupils and staff! All the pupils received a small gift - thank you Santa!



*Class 4 enjoying their Christmas Party!*

### SWYDDOG DIOGELWCH Y FFRDD

Yn ystod Tymor yr Hydref daeth Aled Forster, Swyddog Diogelwch Ffyrdd o Gyngor Caerdydd, i'r ysgol i ddarparu hyfforddiant Cerddwyr Craff i ddisgyblion Blwyddyn 6. Pan fyddwn yn dychwelyd i'r ysgol bydd Aled yn ymweld eto i orffen yr hyfforddiant.

### READING CHALLENGE

A librarian from Radyr Library delivered 16 certificates, medals and pens to school for pupils who completed the Summer Reading Challenge. Well done everyone!

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### ROAD SAFETY OFFICER

During the Autumn Term Aled Forster, a Road Safety Support Officer from Cardiff Council, visited school on numerous occasions to deliver Streetwise Pedestrian training to our Year 6 pupils. When we return to school Aled will visit again to complete the training.

### SIALENS DDARLLEN

Daeth llyfngellydd o Lyfrgell Radur â thystysgrifau, medalau a pheniau i'r ysgol ar ddiwedd y tymor ar gyfer y disgyblion a gymerodd ran yn Sialens Ddarllen yr Haf. Da iawn blantus!



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**CREIGIAU GOLF CLUB  
100 YEARS YOUNG**

Creigiau Golf Club celebrates its Centenary in 2021, but no member in their wildest dream, or rather nightmare, could ever have imagined that the year would commence with both clubhouse and course closed for reasons that need no further explanation. Uncertainty exists when re-opening will take place, the hope being for better news soon.

Planning for Centenary celebrations commenced in earnest three years ago. The Club has a thriving golf and social membership and a programme has been devised to cater for all, including the giving of commemorative mementos.

Golf's arrival at Creigiau in 1921 coincided with golf introduced the same year in many South Wales' communities, including Aberdare, Barry (Brynhill), Cardiff (Cyncoed), Swansea (Clyne) and Tredegar & Rhymney. The formation of the Golf Club owed much to the enthusiasm of local individuals and many from the business community of Cardiff who were able to travel from the City to the then small community of Creigiau by rail as a result of the Barry Railway Company building a station in what was then the small village of Creigiau.

The land was originally farm land, but the owners, the Wingfield Estate, persuaded the then farmers, the Bassett family, to relinquish sufficient land to enable a 9 hole golf course to be built by granting a 50 year lease for that purpose. Colonel Mervyn Wingfield became the Club's first President, and a Mr. Aitken, a local quarry owner, the first Captain. And so the story began.

It is difficult to describe in a few words how the club and course have evolved over the past century. The original course existed for many

years, but following the purchase of the land in 1979 by funds raised from members' levies, and grants by Taff Ely Borough Council and Sports Council for Wales, serious plans were made to develop the course further. Land was released and more land acquired to enable the course to expand, firstly from nine holes to twelve, then to fourteen and finally to the eighteen that exists today.



*The old Clubhouse familiar to the older residents of Creigiau*

The clubhouse too has seen many changes, with the current version being completed in 1993 to replace a building that had seen many additions and had served the members well over many years but was professionally described as

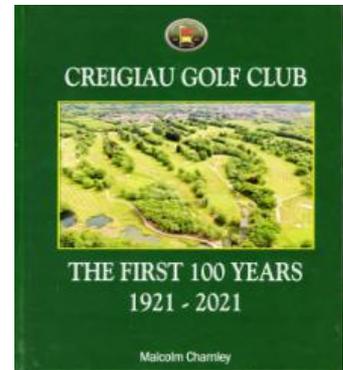


*The new clubhouse completed in 1993*

being "no longer fit for purpose". Over the years there have been many notable achievements by members of Creigiau Golf Club, and high on this list is the success, not once but twice, of a Creigiau Men's team in Spain in 1998 and 2018 in winning the final of a UK National Matchplay Tournament, a record unequalled as no other Club has yet to win the event more than once. And then, of course, there was Craig

Williams, very much a local young man who reached the final of the British Amateur Championship in 1998 only to come up against a certain Sergio Garcia in his prime.

We have a rich history. But what celebrations are planned? At the end of May, a celebratory Invitational Tournament has been arranged when officials from the aforementioned Centenary celebrating clubs will be invited to participate together with representatives from various Welsh golfing bodies, local organisations and club members representing different Sections and Societies. A special occasion awaits. An exclusive members' "Festival of Golf" week is scheduled for July, highlights being new annual Centenary "board" competitions for ladies and men. Other golf and social events are planned throughout 2021.



The Club's history, diligently researched by member and local resident Malcolm Charnley, is recorded in his book "The First 100 Years". Published in hard back and packed with details of the early days, evolution, characters, golfing successes and photographs, it is modestly priced at £10 with copies available at the Clubhouse. 2021, a celebratory year, just waiting to commence.

**A message from  
Pant-Y-Gored Farm.**

Unfortunately, over the recent weeks we have had regular problems with gates being left open, climbed on and broken. If you are using the farm land please ensure you are sticking to the footpaths and only using the kissing gates and wooden stiles to access the fields as per the country code. Can you please also ensure that all Dogs are always on a lead.

We do have livestock in the fields and more due in the coming months and it is massively important that they are not moving into fields that are restricted for a reason.

We thank you for your co-operation.

**Show the Love**



"Our natural world, like all of us, needs a little love right now. With higher temperatures around the world, we are seeing polar icecaps melting, sea levels rising, flooding, storms, wild fires and droughts. Life is becoming very difficult for many land and sea creatures, birds, trees, plants and for us as well. You can be kind to our world every day in many small ways, like recycling, planting flowers for bees, feeding the birds and walking or cycling more. With this little green heart, we are asking you to take part in the WI 'Show the Love' this February and to be kind to your wonderful world in whatever way you can."

## Why playing outdoors is important-a message from Play Wales

Unfortunately, due the current restrictions, Play Wales has taken the difficult decision not to provide staffed play sessions in the area during February half-term.

However, as an organisation, we want to make sure that children have as much opportunity to play as possible.

### Supporting children's well-being through play

Playing contributes to improved well-being during times of uncertainty. It's children's way of supporting their own health and well-being. These top tips aim to help parents to support their children's play during times of stress.

**Playing is the most natural and enjoyable way for children keep well and be happy. It can contribute to improved well-being for everyone during times of uncertainty. Playing is something that children do whenever they have the chance. It is their way of supporting their own health and well-being.**

The onset of the coronavirus means we are having to deal with uncertainties and unknowns very quickly and with little preparation. Being at home for long periods of time and not being able to see friends and visit familiar places is confusing.

Despite the current pandemic, children will still need and want to play. Playing helps children manage their emotions and make sense of their situation.

During times of uncertainty it:

- helps to give children a feeling of normality and joy during an experience of loss, isolation and trauma
- helps children to overcome emotional pain and regain control over their lives
- helps children make meaning of what has happened to them, and enable them to experience fun and enjoyment
- offers children an opportunity to explore their own creativity.

Even if children may sometimes seem distressed, play is the healthy way for children to come to terms with news and it provides parents and carers with an insight as to how they are feeling.

To help parents to support children's play during times of stress we have pulled together a list of top tips.

Many of us remember how much we enjoyed playing outdoors when we were children. But today people seem to worry about their children being outside, and there seem to be fewer chances for children to play outside, too.

Playing outside is definitely as important today as it ever was.

- It gives children space to run, climb, roll, jump, hide, and use up energy
- It means children can play with natural things like water, sand, mud, grass, bark and twigs.
- It's fun for children to discover the natural world, for example seeing which creatures come out in different weather.
- It helps children learn about the seasons and our wide range of weather by experiencing what they are like.
- It helps children learn about looking after themselves – for example, being aware of how slippery ice can be, and of the need to drink water and wear a hat when it's sunny.
- It helps develop children's senses – sight, hearing, smell, touch and taste.
- It's less stressful and annoying for adults if children are noisy outdoors, rather than indoors.

It gives children the chance to see what it's like to change their environment – digging, making large dens, making mud pies or castles.

Every child benefits from the opportunity to play, and weather and cost don't need to get in the way.

## HAVE YOUR SAY

The Welsh Government is currently consulting on its new Litter & Fly-tipping Prevention Plan for Wales and what it believes needs to happen next.

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The most important thing is that you make play a part of your child's daily routine.

Play Wales is looking to work with local people to establish Play Action Groups to identify ways to sustain regular play opportunities. If you are interested, please contact Play Wales [communityplay@playwales.org.uk](mailto:communityplay@playwales.org.uk)

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## CREIGIAU WI'S YEAR TO REMEMBER!

Most of the members of Creigiau WI are in the age group who were told to stay at home to protect the NHS. This we have done, with the result that we have, by and large, remained safe and healthy, but, that does not mean that we have been in hibernation! The past year we have kept in touch and supported each other in a number of ways. A far distant memory as I write this in mid February is that during the summer months we were able to keep up our monthly meetings, but without external speakers, by meeting in open spaces, strictly following the Government rules and advice regarding safe contact. Many of our members formed "support bubbles" with fellow members who live alone and are vulnerable. Others offered help with shopping for those who could not get out. We all took strength from the fact that a phone call to anyone on our member's list would result in a cheery chat. Monthly news letter, delivered as part of our permitted exercise, helped us to remain connected to the group. Looking forward, we are now venturing into the age of video conferencing! We are starting to have meetings on Zoom, amongst ourselves and with guest speakers.

## MERCHED Y WAWR

Although the restrictions on our socialising remain the movement is as active as ever and a host of interesting events are happening virtually. At the first meeting of the year we were fortunate enough to have the company of the author Angharad Tomos and talked about the background of her latest Welsh novel 'Y Castell Siwgr'. The novel traces the history of two young girls and their connection with the Penrhyn family - one in the castle in north Wales and the other in the family's plantation in Jamaica. A number of meetings also take place at a regional level and it was pleasing to have Betsan Powys a former programme editor with the BBC to entertain us. At another meeting we were able to contact three girls living in Patagonia and hear them share their experiences of life in Wladfa. In addition to this various activities take place regularly, lectures, workshops, coffee mornings, podcasts and competitions.

It has been hard for some of us old dinosaurs to embrace this new technology, but I am pleased to say that we are getting there!  
Ann Taylor, President

## CREIGIAU TENNIS CLUB

Well nothing still happening on our lovely Tennis courts, but news is looking more positive, so I hope it won't be long before we are back playing again.

We are hoping to run our Summer Team league matches from June 2021, and this year we would love to put a men's team forward to join our ladies, vets, and mixed teams. So if you are interested in playing Team tennis please come when we can, and have a game with us.

These lockdowns have not been good for our physical or mental wellbeing, there will never be a better time to come and hit that tennis ball. So for social, family fun, or more serious play, come and join us.

Tom Richards our head coach will be back to coach individual, groups, in both Adults and Junior, s, and run his summer camps hopefully as soon as he is allowed.

For information on membership or any questions about our club. Contact Trudi Evans 07768386119 Coaching enquiries to Tom on 07702788713 or you can look at [www.Tomrtennis@outlook.com](mailto:www.Tomrtennis@outlook.com)

Until we can play our sports again stay safe, and look after each other.

Trudi Evans Chair Creigiau Tennis Club



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We and other neighbouring farmers have had no end of walkers traipsing all over our farms, often with dogs running loose, leaving gates open and dropping litter and insisting that they have every right to be there, making our lives extremely difficult.

For many years the Garth Mountain has been out of bounds to dogs running off leads, and the PCC have signs stating as much, there are also many other signs all around alerting people. The responsible walkers take heed to this request. There is absolutely no excuse for any dogs to be running loose.

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- Do not climb over or damage hedges, fences or walls.
- Do not light fires.
- Consider other people. Slow down or stop when approaching horses or livestock on the road..... They were using them long before cars.

One other thing that I must add, PLEASE never feed any animals, horses, cattle, sheep unless they belong to you. We are hearing more

**Lan Disaster Memorial.**



Remembering those from Gwaelod Y Garth villages who died or were injured in the Lan disaster. No official memorial. A small distanced service. Thank you to Gavin and Pip, and to local councillors.

and more tragic reports of animals choking or dying from colic because they have been fed the wrong things. I'm sure the intentions are well meaning, but please do not do it, you could kill that animal.

**RESPECT PROTECT .ENJOY**

Please treat the countryside with respect and remember it is our home and place of work. There is nothing more distressing or heartbreaking than finding a sheep with her throat ripped out, or in fact any damage inflicted on any livestock due to lack of understanding, it should not happen, just take that second to clip that lead on.

On Jan1st of this year, some people thought it was quite acceptable to go up to the top of the Garth with 100 plus large and extremely loud fireworks at 10.30 in the night.

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S. Williams

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Both the 2019/20 and 2020/21 season have been relentless, with the floods, sinkholes at Heol Berry and then Covid-19 causing a lot of disruption to our calendar. However the U13s were undefeated in the 2019/20 season, the U16s had a successful stint in the top league for grassroots football in the Cardiff and District League and each of the younger age groups continued to do well. This season we look forward to seeing the new U6s starting off their time with Gwaelod Rangers, the continued development of all our established teams and also our new Youth team. We are also very excited about having started our first girls-only team for this season. Our club is always looking to expand and are looking for new volunteer coaches to come and help, with funding to be made available for some of the new volunteer coaches to be able to do their FAW Online Leaders Course. We would like to encourage anyone who is interested to get in touch, and especially 16-18 year olds who are looking to get into a career of sport.

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If you are interested in finding out more about how you can get involved in the club, contact our club secretary, Rhys Vanstone, at [secgwaelodrangers@gmail.com](mailto:secgwaelodrangers@gmail.com).



### **Creigiau Cricket Club - Introducing Dynamo's Cricket and the return of All Stars!**

For those of you who missed your summer evenings cricket at the rec in 2020, good news! COVID allowing, we are planning to be back this year with not just All Stars cricket for 5-8 year old boys and girls, but also introducing Dynamo's Cricket for all girls aged 8-14. The Dynamo's format will provide the chance for girls in the village and surrounding areas to get a taster for the softball format and provide them with the pathway to joining our successful ladies team. Of course we will continue to run our mixed U9s softball cricket team as well as our hard ball junior teams. Our junior section relies on the support of local parents and helpers and we are always happy to hear from anyone keen to help out. For more information on All Stars, Dynamo's, Junior Cricket in general including U9-U15s or indeed Men's and Women's cricket, please contact Club Chairman & Junior Coordinator Ben Taylor on 07999070537.

## Clwb Rygbi Pentyrch

Ar lawer ystyr, cychwynnodd 2021 fel gwnaeth 2020 offren, gyda dychweliad i'r lefel uchaf o gyfyngiadau a thrasiedi bellach yn effeithio ar y Clwb a'n haelodau.

Yn yr un modd â chymaint o agweddau eraill ar fywyd yn ein cymuned, gwnaeth Don Llewellyn gyfraniadau enfawr i'r Clwb Rygbi, fel cyn-chwaraewr, Capten, Llywydd, a chydawdur llyfr cyntaf y Clwb. Teimlwyd ei gollyr yn frwd.

Yn drasig, cymerwyd Brian Eley gan y Coronafeirws. Mae ei fab yn un o'n tîm dan saith.

Mae ein meddyliau gyda'r teuluoedd yr effeithir arnynt.

Mewn newyddion trist pellach, dioddefodd ein ffrind mawr, a chyn-gadeirydd, Bob Hannah strôc. Mae Bob dal yn yr ysbyty. Mae'n ddyddiau cynnar, ond gallwn fod yn sicr y bydd Bob yn ymladd yn galed, gan ddangos y penderfyniad yr ydym i gyd yn ei adnabod am. Rydym yn cynnig yr holl gefnogaeth y gallwn ni, i Bob a'i deulu.

Efallai y byddwch chi'n gweld rhywfaint o weithgaredd yn y Clwb, peidiwch â dychryn! Mae Iechyd Cyhoeddus Cymru wedi caniatáu inni gynnal hyfforddiant diogelwch hanfodol i fusnesau ac mae gwaith i osod paneli solar ar fin dechrau. Ein diolch i Chwarae Cymru am ddyfarnu grant inni ar gyfer y gwaith hwn, ac i'r Undeb am ei gefnogaeth ddiysgog i rygbi cymunedol.

Wrth i ni weld arwyddion o'r

## Pentyrch RFC

In many respects, 2021 started as 2020 finished, with a return to the highest level of restrictions and further tragedy affecting the Club and our members.

As with so many other aspects of life in our community, Don Llewellyn made huge contributions to the Rugby Club, as a former player, Captain, President, and co-author of the Club's first book. His loss has been keenly felt.

Brian Eley, whose son is one of our U7s, was tragically taken by the Coronavirus. Our thoughts are firmly with the families affected.

In further sad news, our great friend, and former Chairman, Bob Hannah suffered a stroke. Bob remains in hospital. It is early days, but we can be sure that Bob will be fighting hard, showing the determination we all know him for. We offer him and his family all the support we can.

You might see some activity at the Clubhouse, please don't be alarmed! Public Health Wales has permitted us to host essential safety training

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## Pentyrch Village Hall

Pentyrch Village Hall Annual General Meeting is scheduled for 8 March 2021 at 7:00 pm. To take part in the meeting, email [pentyrchvillagehall@gmail.com](mailto:pentyrchvillagehall@gmail.com) as soon as you can prior to the date and time of the meeting. The meeting will be held via Zoom, you will receive an email 'invitation' to enable you to join the meeting.

Due to the Welsh Government Covid 19 restrictions Pentyrch Village Hall has been closed for the majority of 2020 and start of 2021. The hall remains open for the Children's Nursery. The Village Hall looks forward to welcoming the Community back as soon as Welsh Government Guidance allows. You can help support the village hall in the meantime by purchasing through [www.pentyrchvillagehallshop.co.uk](http://www.pentyrchvillagehallshop.co.uk)

for businesses and work to install solar panels is about begin. Our thanks to Sport Wales for awarding us a grant for this work, and to the WRU for its steadfast support for community rugby.

As we see signs of spring appearing around us, we remain hopeful that better times are not too far off. We are preparing for a possible return to rugby training soon and, if progress in suppressing the Coronavirus continues, we hope to welcome members and friends back to the Clubhouse in late spring.



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## **Pentyrch Open Gardens 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> July 2021**

Yes, we are planning to open our gardens this year in a Covid –19 safe way providing the regulations allow us to. There will also be a virtual Open Gardens as we had last year as this allowed visitors from as far away as the USA to take a wander around the gardens. It also meant we were able to make a donation to the Welsh Air Ambulance of £1200 through our Just Giving page and we are



continuing to support them again this year. A pop-up plant sale will continue as plants become ready at Sue & Martin's house in Cefn Bychan so keep an eye on the community hub on Facebook to see when and what is available. If you take a walk around the village green area you can see that the snowdrops we planted are out and also spreading over the green area. This is heartening to see as whatever is wrong with our world just as the sun rises and sets each day mother nature continues to do her work. I think we all have learned to appreciate the small things in life this past year. If you would like to open your garden this year please contact Chris & Helen 2 Penmaes 07787890284 and we will add you to the list. We hope to have new gardens this year as the lockdown last year seems to have generated more interest in our gardens.

Happy Gardening!

### **Killing them with Kindness**



During lockdown this has become a bigger problem than ever, with well-meaning people going for walks and thinking they are being kind in feeding horses.

Whilst horses are big, strong animals, they have very delicate digestive systems and can become ill and even die from being fed by the public.

- Horses cannot be sick, so once it is in, it has to pass right through.
- Grass cuttings begin to ferment as soon as they are cut and if eaten by a horse, can poison them and lead to death.
- Carrots and fruit cut to the wrong size and shape can get lodged in their windpipes and cause them to suffocate.

This really is a serious problem and the more people who understand and share this information, the fewer tragedies will happen going forward.

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**BLACK MINERS IN SOUTH WALES**

Some of you may have seen historian Norma Gregory on TV. She is researching black mining history in South Wales. We interacted recently so I set about researching. First call was to Arthur Welsby. He remembered a black family as licensees of the Gwaelod pub. Next, I spoke with the late Don Llewellyn. He remembered the family, saying David Peters, a former boxer, was involved in local youth sport, and had set-up a boxing room at The Gwaelod. Next stop was Carmen Hughes. As a child, she knew Dai Peters when he was living with his family in Pantgwynlais, landlords of the old Tongwynlais pub. Carmen has good memories of the family - and other famous boxers who came to the Peters' pub. Newspaper archives have many reference to Dai, a champion, fighting for big purses. Carmen says he was a gentle man - he taught her tap and soft shoe shuffle! Everyone liked the family



*In 1909, Dave Peters, from Treorchy, knocked out Yorkshire-born Merthyr fighter James 'Tiger' Smith at Mountain Ash to reclaim the Welsh middleweight title.*

Census research came up with more information: David Peters was born in 1876. A young man, initially a miner, he is listed as a brewery traveller married to Lillian (listed as a licensed victualler). Children of the marriage were Ivor David (1902), John Thomas (1905), Arthur Tyndhurst (1907) and Edna Elizabeth. Now the interesting bit! One of the miners killed in the Lan disaster was William Peters. Census research shows he was the brother of Thomas Peters, father of David Peters. They had left the West Indies together around 1860. Will Peters came as a marine stoker, married a local girl and stayed! He and his wife Ann lived at 1 Garth Street, in Taffs Well. He is the earliest located black miner in South Wales, but lies in an unmarked grave in Groeswen. Norma Procter

**Creigiau Companions**

Who would have thought that we would still be in lockdown, a year after the covid19 first became a troublesome addition to our lives? But there it is, it is still with us and likely to be for years to come, and we, as some of the elderly brethren of our community, must continue to use the patience developed over so many years to combat the demands of isolation. By the time you read this, I suspect that all members of Companions will have received their first vaccination, that should set us on our way to some semblance of the normality we remember.

I have no doubt that all our members are missing the comradeship and the enjoyment of our meetings. Once we are able to meet again, we will endeavour to set up a diary of interesting and entertaining speakers and events. That will, of course, take some time to organise, so the first few meetings could well have a flavour of DIY. But fear not! You will be able to catch up on all the exciting things your friends have done in the extended lockdown period: gardening, crocheting, decorating, reading, knitting, watching TV, writing a book, using zoom, cooking specialities, walking, climbing mountains, waving to grandchildren on a digital gadget. So many skills that have been lying dormant over so many years! Stay Safe, everyone, have the vaccine, and we'll meet again, we do know where, but we don't know when, but hopefully, soon. John Gough



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Throughout this winter, as we endure another lockdown, Garth Rotary Club have focused on supporting our community.

In partnership with Boomerang Charity the Christmas Present Appeal amassed a whopping 534 presents for disadvantaged children. These presents were distributed to 7 different hostels across Cardiff, which housed 110 families, including 20 families seeking asylum. In addition 3 women's aid refuges, in which 12 families reside, all benefitted from donations from residents of Creigiau, Pentyrch and Gwaelod y Garth.

One young mother, aged 26, with a 3 year old daughter, fleeing domestic violence wrote:

"I honestly don't know what I would have done this Christmas if it wasn't for these gifts. Only yesterday, (22 December) I had everything sorted and now today, I find myself with nothing, My daughter will be so happy because I've had to tell her that Santa might miss us this year. God bless you all."

Collections for the White Goods Appeal have been suspended at



*Pentyrch Bowls Club Parc y Drwlyn*

present due to Boomerang's staff being furloughed. However, this scheme will recommence when we return to normal.

Recently Garth Rotary have supported the appeal to help families cope with home learning. The Donate a Device initiative has already yielded a total of 40 laptops, pads and tablets. If you would like to donate a device please email: [office@pentyrch.cc](mailto:office@pentyrch.cc) Please leave your contact details we will arrange collection.

The Garth Community is close to all our hearts and we must mention the incredible contribution our friend, Don Llewellyn, has made during his lifetime. His remarkable achievements, huge intellect and influence has extended to so many facets of our community. Don touched so many of our lives and he will never be forgotten. Our deep condolences go to Avril, Ceri and

### PENTYRCH BOWLING CLUB NEEDS NEW MEMBERS

Like so many community sports, Pentyrch Bowling Club has been badly affected by the COVID pandemic and no bowls matches were allowed in 2020. However, with the current vaccination programme, we remain optimistic that some form of outdoor bowls will be possible in Wales from April/May and we are looking to recruit new members for 2021. So, if you fancy coming along to have fun and to get some exercise and fresh air, then please contact either Ian Broxton (02920 843896 or 07966 424614) or Brian Ilbery (02920 891814 or 07979 658481). No experience is needed and you just need flat-soled shoes; qualified coaches will be able to demonstrate the basics of the game. All age groups, male and female, are welcome.

Pentyrch Bowling Club wants to keep this community sports facility going and we need some new members to enable us to do just that. Under normal circumstances, we also hold a number of social functions throughout the year and you are most welcome to join us for these. You can find out more information about us on our website ([www.pentyrchbowlingclub.co.uk](http://www.pentyrchbowlingclub.co.uk)). Brian Ilbery and Ian Broxton

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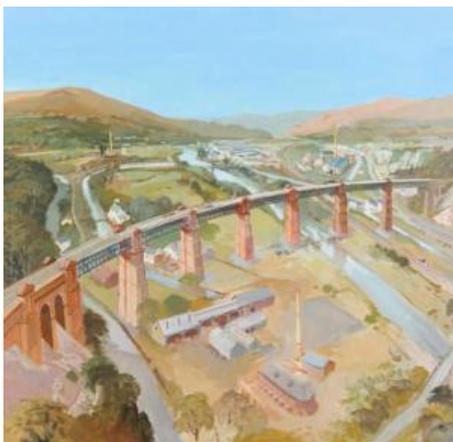


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**In search of a photograph of Arthur Miles (1905 - 1987).**



*Arthur's painting of the viaduct*

When you married in Gwaelod y Garth in the 'good old days', Arthur Miles would give you one of his paintings. Born in Faversham, he came to Wales

with his family in 1911, living in Manor Street, Cardiff. In 1973, married to Valerie Sweet, he moved to Gwaelod y Garth.

Arthur described himself as an 'all Wales painter', saying Wales had little or no history of the visual arts. 'Wales has only promoted poets,' he moaned. To rectify this, he founded the Watercolour Society of Wales. Encouraged by its success, he created a painters' group in Gwaelod y Garth. Its members were, Vernon Hill, Ron Johnson, Glyn Bishop, Peter Morgan, Rose Francis and Steve Phillips. Arthur said the Garth was to them as Mont St Victoire was to Cezanne. He felt we lived at time when 'the imposed end is not creativity, but compliance.' He thought the world was heading for nuclear destruction, and hoped interest in Art

**CANTORION CREIGIAU SINGERS**

Cantorion Creigiau Singers, our local mixed choir celebrated it's 50th anniversary on 20th December 2020 - unfortunately not with a Carol Concert in Creigiau Church Hall as originally planned (due to Covid restrictions) but as an enjoyable Zoom evening. We enjoyed seeing each other and celebrated the evening with a "toast" and a light hearted Christmas quiz. Mair Roberts our Musical Director paid tribute to all choristers who have supported the choir these past 50 years and we look forward to returning to rehearsals as soon as we are able to do so.

For the moment we continue to meet on Zoom for Social Evenings and Committee Meetings.

Being positive we have booked

Creigiau Church Hall for Sunday 19th December this year-2021 at 6.30pm for a Carol Concert- all former choristers are welcome to sing with us as we celebrate the past 50 years. All are welcome to join us, we look forward to seeing you.

When restrictions are lifted we look forward to returning to rehearsals in Creigiau Golf Club, Sunday evenings 7.30pm-9.00pm.

Former and new members are welcome to join us any time. Future possible concerts include a celebration evening with Creigiau Golf Club who celebrate their Centenary this year 2021.

A further choir update will be in the next "Community Link."

Jane Williams

Societies was a 'fight -back' against 'a tide of dehumanisation'.

An active member of the communist party, during the year-long miner's strike, he and Valerie held a sale of paintings at Tregarth, with all proceeds going to the striking men. The sale raised exactly £6,000.

Arthur worked as a copy writer artist before he started to sell his landscapes. Galleries sold and still sell them. While many of us have his paintings, we cannot locate a single photograph of the local man who was a member of the Royal Institute of Painters in Watercolour- RI being a familiar part of his signature. If anyone has Arthur's photograph, I, for one, would love to see it. Norma Procter

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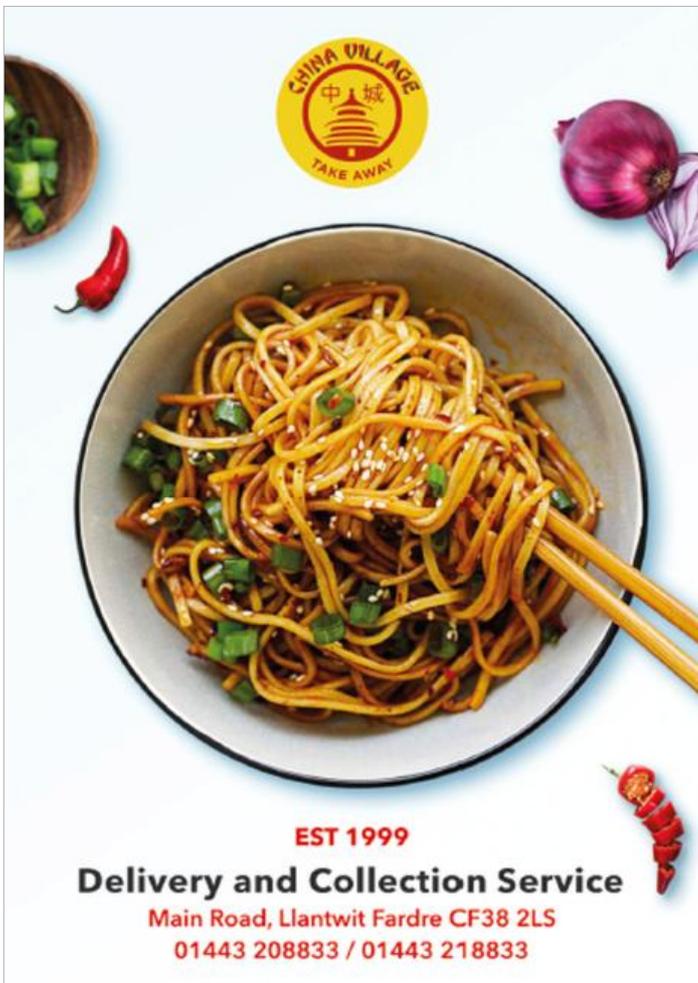
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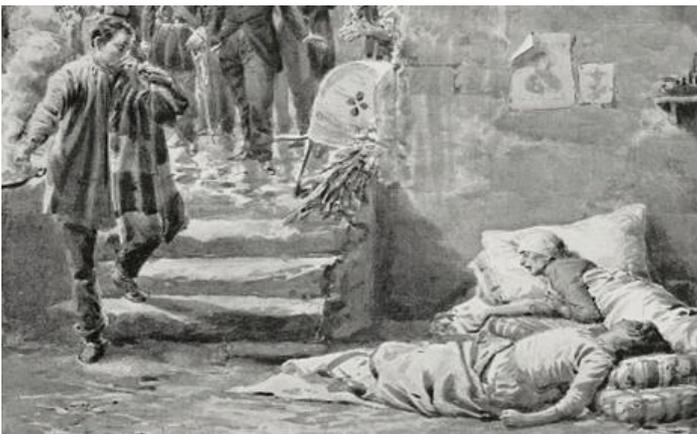
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**Wash Your Hands. Get Vaccinated.**

As we struggle with Covid, it's worth remembering history has seen it before - and it does end after it takes its bitter toll. Until mass vaccination, Britain was awash with plagues. In 1896 there was an outbreak of smallpox in Gwaelod y Garth. Edward John, a miner died. There will have been others. As now, people took to the streets opposed to vaccination. Arrests, fines and people sent to jail, but in Gwaelod y Garth vaccination 'was very general'.



*When smallpox spread through Wales.*

The first cholera epidemic had swept Wales in 1832. After an 1885 outbreak, the Royal College of Physicians noted, 'The mining population have suffered more from cholera than persons in other occupations. There are no privies in the mines. The workmen take food into the mines, and eat with unwashed hands, and without knife and fork.' 1896 marked the last cholera outbreak as cities improved sanitation. Here, Pentyrch 'Parish Parliament' thought it time to get 'good water' to the 'Lower region' (Gwaelod y Garth). They met in the School Room - and decided to hand the issue over to the district council.

**PENTYRCH TENNIS CLUB**

After Andy Murray won the Wimbledon Tournament a few years ago it was envisaged that this would encourage many to buy a racket to try out or restart playing tennis. – but the increase in tennis club membership in the UK turned out to be very small.

However after the Lockdown experienced last year, when most indoor sport and entertainment venues were closed, many people of all ages found the enjoyment and health benefits of outdoor exercise. Most tennis clubs experienced a surge in membership.

Pentyrch Tennis Club also achieved a strong increase in residents of the village and surrounding areas joining the Club last year.

Others who wish to join this year, regardless of ability, will be made most welcome. Annual membership rates, which start from 1st April, are very reasonable. Facilities are excellent with 3 recently resurfaced and floodlit courts which enables year round playing. Those interested can come along free of charge before joining to try out on Ladies Club Night every Tuesday evening 5.30 - 7 pm or Mens Club Night on Thursdays from 5 - 8 pm.. The courts are located at the Pentyrch Recreation Fields immediately behind the Rugby Clubhouse. For more details about the Club please visit our website at [www.pentyrchtennis.co.uk](http://www.pentyrchtennis.co.uk)

Coaching for different age group children and also adults under the guidance of Chris George from Tennis Squad continues on Monday evenings year round and private lessons are also available. Tennis Squad provides coaching at several venues in South Wales and is an award winning organisation that caters for all ages and abilities from new starters to national champions. Please call 02920705348 or visit [www.tennissquad.net](http://www.tennissquad.net) for more information.

**Christmas Cheer**



Well it seems such a long time ago now but what fun we had when we asked residents/children to stand on their doorstep whilst Santa and his elves paraded around Pentyrch sharing festive cheer, collecting letters from the children that were sent to Lapland. It was so lovely to see how happy the children and mums and dads were. The event was a huge success.

A big Thank You to everyone who helped. Bev Liney

The need for 'good water' was critical. Living conditions were primitive. The Level Houses on the valley floor had one privy between all the worker's cottages. Those on the mountain had no doors at the back to improve ventilation. Another case of cholera was found there.

Although smallpox was in retreat, archivist Bridget Thomas notes, 'Measles, scarlet fever, diphtheria and influenza ravaged the population. In 1918-19, Spanish flu killed an estimated 185,000 people in the UK'

So wash your hands, get vaccinated. Good advice! It's history! Norma Procter

**PENGUINS AND THE BEAGLE CHANNEL**

In February 2020, I went on a wildlife cruise by catamaran along the Beagle Channel. I left the Queen Victoria liner at Ushuaia, Argentina and boarded the catamaran with other passengers.

As we sailed along the Beagle Channel, we had amazing views of Ushuaia with the backdrop of snow-capped mountains. The first island that we visited was Bird Island where we had superb views of Imperial and Rock Cormorants in the magical area of islands, landscapes and wild life.

There were Black-browed albatross, Southern giant petrel, South American tern, Kelp gull and Blackish cinclodes. This bird is native to the southern tip of South America, including the Falkland Islands.



As we cruised past other islands, we saw South American Sea lions basking on the rocky outcrops and also the more active Southern Fur Seals.

We then left these lively colonies and headed to the famous lighthouse at Les Eclaireurs Archipelago, then onto Marillo Island to the penguin colony. The weather was exceptionally warm and clear which was brilliant for bird watching. At Marillo Island, we had breathtaking views of all the three



We won't be able to celebrate St David's Day in the usual way so Pentyrch Primary asked the children to decorate their windows at home with all things Welsh...Daffodils, Leeks, Dragons, Sheep, Flags etc. When out for a walk on 1<sup>st</sup> March, count how many you can see. It would be great to see the whole village joining in as with the Rainbows, pumpkins etc. Why not make it even more fun and dress up too!

**Litter Hotspot**

We appreciate all who litter pick in our community, on this one occasion we wish to give special thanks to Carol and Stewart Saint for litter picking 17 bags from Church Road. Such a shame this needs doing. Emails have been sent to the Cabinet Member for the Environment at CCC pointing out that this area is one of the hotspots for fly tipping and general rubbish asking him and his team for advice with regards to a solution!

species; Magellanic penguin, Gentoo penguin and King penguin. On the shoreline were Chilean skua. There were also Kelp and Dolphin gulls flying around the boat. There was something wonderful about this part of the world and to be surrounded by such astonishing wildlife was truly amazing. Viv Jenkins RSPB Cardiff and District Group Leader Follow us on:- Facebook: CardiffLocalRSPB Twitter: @Cardiff\_RSPB www.rspb.org.uk/groups/cardiff

**Garth Gardeners The hope that spring brings**



*Quince, flowering in January*

As gardeners we are aware of the rise in spirits that the first flowers of spring can give us.

The snowdrops and the hellebores pushing through the soil to bring a little joy on a dark day. This will be followed by daffodils and tulips, something to look forward to.

A few days ago I noticed flowers on my chaenomeles bush (quince), bright coral coloured flowers against dark bare stems. We were sure that this bush had been destroyed when we built our house. It was flattened and completely covered in building rubble, there seemed to be no hope for its recovery.

Against all the odds up it came through the debris ready to put on a show, flowering profusely every year in the still dark days of spring.

So, to all our Garth Gardeners members who are going through a bad time currently, hold onto the hope that spring brings to the natural world every year.

Things will get better eventually, and we hope to be able to meet up with you all as soon as we can. In the meantime keep enjoying the sight of new shoots, new life and new hope.

..and don't forget to visit our web site at [garthgardeners.wordpress.com](http://garthgardeners.wordpress.com) for the superb "View from my window" and "January in the garden" photographs sent in by our members for us all to enjoy. Denise James

**Refill Wales**

Refill is an award-winning campaign to help with less plastic. We connect people with places they can, drink and shop without the pointless packaging. You can download the free Refill app to into a global network of places to reduce, reuse and refill.

You can find out how to participate at [www.refill.org.uk/refill-wales/](http://www.refill.org.uk/refill-wales/)

**There is now a Food bank donation collection point, outside, at the Church Hall, Creigiau**

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## 1st Pentyrch Guides and Rangers has moved over to Zoom!

1st Pentyrch Guides and Rangers have moved over to virtual Zoom meetings and I am so proud of the way that the girls are embracing the new platform.

As if I didn't need reminding why I run Guides, running virtual meetings during a pandemic has highlighted how important social contact; peer support; a distraction from school work and the chance to have a bit of fun and just be a child is! Indeed, despite not meeting in person, we have still been able to play group games and have scavenger hunts. We have even managed to make 'armpit fudge' and bring our pets along to Guides [although not on the same evening I hasten to add!].

The theme of this term is mental wellbeing and our meeting before half term focused on those who might be struggling more than us. We learnt about one of my Guide leaders in Pentyrch [a rather long time ago!] who, now in her 90s and following a fall, has had to move into a residential home where she is finding the transition difficult. The girls wrote to Margery Heath –

### MY LOCKDOWN

I'm Holly and I'm a new member of Pentyrch Girl Guides. I'm 10 years old and love spending time with friends and family. Like everyone, I've found lockdown strange. It has affected me in lots of different ways. I get to spend more time with my Mum, Dad and baby brother, Rowan, who was only five months old when it started, so that's been really good. I've also found lots of new things to do online, like playing games with my friends, PE with Joe Wicks and online cooking classes with Cook Stars. I've learnt lots of new recipes. I've even started Girl Guiding online in lockdown and it's one of my favourite activities of the week.

To help my well-being to stay happy and healthy, I call friends and family daily and I play with my cats and baby brother.

Unfortunately, there are a lot of downfalls to being in lockdown. Not being able to see my friends everyday in school is hard. Not being able to visit family is the worst, but I am grateful that so many people are continuing to keep us safe. I can't see my friends and family for my birthday, like many people around the world but, like lots of people, I'm doing video calls and it's an amazing substitute and we still get to see each other. Hopefully we can all be together again soon. Keep safe everyone.

## PENTYRCH ART GROUP WEBSITE

Due to the ongoing restrictions Pentyrch Art Group won't be able to hold their Annual Exhibition at the Village Hall again this year.

Members have therefore decided to set up a website for the group, to exhibit our work- also to encourage us to keep painting! The website should be up and running in the near future.

Photographs of paintings will be displayed, along with details- artist, medium, size, price etc. They will all be for sale and details of how to make a purchase will also be on the website. The paintings will be displayed unframed, but will be available framed - if they are sold locally- or in a mount if they are to be posted.

We hope many of you will visit the website- even just to browse- and plan to publish the date it goes live on Pentyrch Facebook page, also in poster form around the village.

known to many who experienced Guiding in Pentyrch as 'Lulu' – to cheer her and many reminded her that once a Guide, you're always a Guide! Margery was an inspirational and fun Guide leader and I'm sure that she will enjoy the girls' messages.

Guides is indeed a supportive and inclusive movement and one of our laws in Guiding is that a Guide is a sister to all Guides. If any girls in the community aged between 10 and 18 years feel that they could benefit from being part of our Guide and Ranger Zoom meetings, please get in touch using the email address

The very few good things about lockdown are that we have been eating more treats and that I have had a lot of virtual sleepovers with my friend and fellow Guide, Eve.

A virtual sleep over is when you go on zoom (or face time) and share your screen and watch a film in the evening, at around 22:00 you end the call. Then at 08:00 you call again and eat breakfast together.

What I don't like about lockdown is that I can't leave the house, I can't see my friends and it gets very boring talking to the same people everyday.

Lockdown and corona virus have made us think about how clean and hygienic we are even people who thought that they were clean and tidy realised that they could be a lot cleaner, tidier and even more hygienic.

Tia Devonish, 1st Pentyrch Guide

## Pentyrch WI

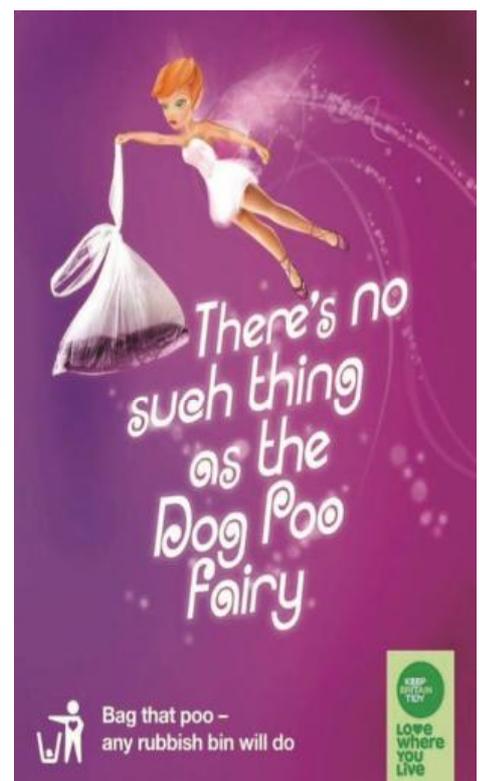
How sad that we are still not able to meet in person, however the committee meet every month (on zoom). We put together a newsletter sharing u tube clips of various speakers, a young and up and coming gentleman setting up a company making films, a very inspiring gentleman talking about his life/profession with a disability, a lovely Xmas wreath demonstration from Petal Power Wales to name but a few and more recently for those of you who remember Mike Young the creator or Superted who's now living in Los Angeles and a director of a children's animation sharing his stories with us. The WI have also been able to offer various zoom presentations. If you would like to join us albeit by newsletter/monthly zoom gatherings please do get it touch:-[w.i.pentyrch@gmail.com](mailto:w.i.pentyrch@gmail.com)

Great news that more of us are getting our vaccinations, thank you NHS. We hope to be back in person meeting at the Village Hall 1st Wednesday of the month very soon.

Take care of yourselves and stay safe, best wishes. Sue and Linda - Presidents.

below.

Two of Pentyrch Guides have been brave enough to write for this edition expressing what the pandemic has been like for a young person in our community. Their spirit and resilience is evident in their writing and I feel very proud to be their Guide leader. Sharon O'Leary, Leader of 1st Pentyrch Guides



## TIN ON THE WALL



Following on from the article that appeared in the previous edition of Community Link, we have had a phenomenal response to the Tin on the Wall food donation collections that have taken place in Pentyrch, Creigiau and Gwaelod y Garth.

Thanks to the overwhelming generosity within our communities, we have been able to support several food bank charities at a time of year where many families struggle to make ends meet. This has included Cardiff Foodbank, Taff Ely Foodbank, Feeding Fairwater and Beddau Food Hub. We were also able to donate food and other essentials to Help our Homeless, a locally

based charity supporting rough sleepers and individuals in temporary accommodation.

The collections would not have been such a success without the help of the many volunteers who helped collect items in some unpleasant weather – thanks to each and every one of you. We are also very well supported by local organisations and businesses in the area, including Garth Rotary, Pentyrch Rugby Club, Global Bites, Keep Creigiau Tidy, Creigiau Recreation Charity, Creigiau Golf Club and Creigiau Primary School, and the donations and use of facilities are much appreciated.

Since December we have been in Tier 4 lockdown restrictions, which present some challenges in organising collection sessions and we intend to resume whenever non-essential travel and small gatherings may resume safely and legally.

If anyone wishes to continue providing support in the meantime, Cardiff Rotary are helping to raise funds to enable Cardiff Foodbank to purchase storage racks and other equipment in their new warehouse. Details are available at <http://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/rotary-in-cardiff-food-bank-appeal>.

For food donations, there are also drop-off points outside St Catwg's Church (Pentyrch) and Creigiau Church Hall. Beddau Food Hub are also happy to make collections in Creigiau, and they can be contacted via their Facebook page for further details. Chris Davidson

**Please watch out for scams around COVID-19 vaccines.**

Correspondence will **only** come from your health board and your vaccination will be free.



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### PENTYRCH TERRACYCLE

We have stopped over 120kgs of waste from going to landfill, that's over 55,000 items of snack packaging!

- Terracycle is a scheme where you can recycle your snack and home hygiene packaging (the council do not accept these in the weekly collections and they go directly to landfill), which is formed into playground equipment, park benches and lots more!
- We have collection bins outside the Premier shop in Pentyrch and a bulk drop-off wheelie bin outside the PCC offices (start a collection at your workplace and drop them off here!!)
- Please don't put pet food, cheese, bread, potato and other plastic film packaging in the bins. Please read the poster and labels on the bins for accepted packaging. Pentyrch Terracycle only has the capacity for the three schemes shown (home hygiene, crisps, nuts and confectionery). Please check out @Ailgylchy/Recycling in Caerffili on Facebook who accept lots of these other items!



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- ✓ Confectionery wrappers
- ✓ House Hygiene packaging

**COLLECTION POINTS**

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Outside the Premier Shop, Pentyrch  
Bulk & Workplace collection drop off - PCC Offices Pentyrch

- It's really helpful and saves so much time when you separate the packaging and put them in the correct bins!
- If you would like to find out more or get involved please find me on Facebook @ Pentyrch Terracycle (we always need large cardboard boxes so please let me know if you have any!)

Finally, thank you everyone for taking part and making this scheme so successful!