Llannon Community Council

Bulletin

W/C: Monday 19th September 2022

Outdoor Cinema

Was extremely successful. I obtained extra sponsorship from local businesses enabling us to show three films free of charge. The feedback was really positive. I'd like to thank the councillors that volunteered to help.

Asset Transfer

The solicitor for asset transfer has changed due to ill-health. We are now using Geldards Solicitors who have acted swiftly. Paul and I met with them in their Cardiff office and they have also visited recently and carried out a full site visit. The deed of surrender has been prepared regarding the changing rooms and land Tumble United AFC wish to surrender. You have all been sent a copy of their proposal. An emergency meeting will be held on Thursday 22nd September 2022 to discuss this further.

New Starters

Ffion Lewis started as Deputy-Clerk on Monday 12th September and Lynsey Roper has joined us to assist with the running of the bar.

Roger Perry Retirement

Roger is retiring on Monday 26th September; however, he will be returning as our Playground Inspector and Fire Safety Officer (5 hours per week), from November onwards. I'm sure you will join me in thanking Roger for his service to the Council during the past five years.

Y Cwtsh

I have been working on the concept of a Food bank for a while and was going to set it up in the library at the hall. As the changing rooms are being surrendered back to LCC, we now have the opportunity to use that building instead. The building will be called "Y Cwtsh" and will offer a community food pantry, a warm space and advice clinics. The pantry will be sustained using Fair Share scheme and Neighbourly.

We would like all users to become members of Y Cwtsh so we can assist with signposting to relevant advice clinics and organisations. From Spring 2023, we would like to offer a refreshment service to users of the park and any money made from this will assist in sustaining the building going forward. We are aiming to hold a launch event on Saturday 8th October 2022.

Over the past two weeks a huge amount of work has been carried out and I would like to thank the staff, trades and businesses who have been so generous:

- The building has been cleared of all rubbish.
- A new kitchen has been designed and delivered (installation is being carried out by Walford and Lester). Units, flooring, wall coverings and appliances all supplied at a discounted rate by Howdens.
- New sofas to be provided free of charge by Sofa Express, Cross Hands.
- Paint supplied free of charge by LBS Ammanford.
- Some missing roof tiles have been replaced and the guttering and facias are also being replaced (work to be carried out by Walford & Lester).

- The CCTV has been upgraded at a discounted rate by Action Surveillance.
- Damaged windows and doors will be replaced shortly at a discounted rate by Ultimate.
- Electrics Phase Connections donated 5 lights, switches, sockets and labour.
- Electrical Wholesale Swansea donated 4 LED lights and 2 extractor fans.
- Plumbing works will be carried out at a discounted rate by Patch Plumbing.
- Toilets, showers and changing rooms have been cleaned by Sara, Wendi and Abi (volunteer).
- I'm awaiting quotes for a new boiler.
- Main room has been painted by Roger.
- Llinos & Christopher cleared weeds from outside the front on Saturday.
- Shelving has been delivered.
- I'm trying to get sponsorship to purchase a display fridge and freezer.
- Utilities have been contacted.
- The Council's Insurance has been updated to include the building and land.
- Planning have been contacted regarding Class of Use.
- Broadband has been ordered.
- Registered with Fair Share and Neighbourly.
- Emma Williams Family Law have agreed to offer a free monthly legal clinic.
- Shadows Depression Support will be on-hand to offer support.
- We will be contacting other organisations once we launch.
- 4 volunteers already signed up.
- Further opportunities to volunteer will be offered when it is officially announced.
- Marketing plan in progress.
- A new bank account will need to be opened.

Friendship Benches

The Friendship benches we ordered from Gwendraeth Valley Men's Shed have been collected and they are lovely. They are being painted shortly by Amman Valley Art Group and will be positioned outside Y Cwtsh.

Tumble Hall

Office

- Another desk and chair has been added for Ffion.
- The photocopier is going back to the supplier and a smaller printer has been purchased.
- New shelving has been purchased.
- Broadband has been upgraded to Superfast.
- New blinds have been purchased.
- Display cabinet removed (in agreement with the Eisteddfod Committee).

Conference Room & Upstairs Kitchen

- The kitchen upstairs is nearly finished, it looks fantastic!
- New pelmets have been purchased for the windows.
- A window has been uncovered in the kitchen which will need to be replaced.
- Small, square tables and tablecloths have been purchased so the room can be set up in three ways; conference style; meeting style or café style (seats 44).
- New display cabinets have been ordered to hold the Eisteddfod cups.

Main Kitchen

- Is no longer being privately rented.
- Full clean has taken place.
- Dishwasher has been serviced.
- Gas supply has been upgraded as pipes were corroded.
- Stoves have been serviced but have been shut down as a vent needs to be put in the window or door. I am awaiting a quote for this work.

Main Hall

- Round tables have arrived.
- New seating is expected this week.
- We will look to sell the red chairs.
- New tablecloths have been purchased for the round tables.
- Chair covers have been purchased for weddings, anniversary parties etc.
- Second-hand popcorn machine has been purchased.
- Country Night's are going well, I have booked acts for the whole of 2023.
- Eisteddfod Gadeiriol Y Tymbl was held on Saturday 17th September. The morning was cancelled due to the mourning period. The afternoon and evening was a success. The sound and vision equipment was £750 to hire so I am looking at purchasing this going forward. The Committee were delighted with the support shown from the Council and thought the conference room was beautiful.
- I have had a meeting with Cresta Catering as they were chosen by Tumble RFC to cater for their 125th Anniversary Dinner on 18th November.
- Rotary Gwendraeth Valley is being started up and they are holding a meeting in the hall on the evening of 4th October.
- The oil tank has been filled, costing £5616.00.
- Hywel dda have used the hall for palliative care training.
- Heart nurse continues to use the library every Wednesday.
- LINKS still meet here monthly.
- Llannon Community Pub Committee continue to meet in the Hall.
- Tumble Family Centre held a weekly event in the Hall during the Summer holidays. They are now holding a weekly mother and toddler session every Wednesday.
- Water Report has been carried out, there are a number of jobs that need to be undertaken.

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday |
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| 10-11am | | | |
| GJ Fitness For | | | |
| Mums | | | |
| 4.30 – 7.30pm | 6pm – 8pm | Heart Clinic | 1.30-3.30pm |
| The Performance | Dog Behaviour Class | (All day) | Line Dancing |
| Factory | | | |
| 8-9pm | | 9am – 11.30 | 6pm-8pm |
| Zumba | | Tumble Family | Turn'd Up Fitness |
| | | Centre Toddler | with Sian |
| | | Group | |
| | Cyfle I Bawb | 6.00-7.00pm | |
| | (Fortnightly) | Zumba | |
| | Merched Y Wawr | 7.30-8.30pm | |
| | (Monthly) | Zumba | |
| | Foot Clinic | LINKS | |
| | (Every six weeks) | (Monthly) | |

Future Events

Saturday 24th September – Monthly Market

Tuesday 27th September – Foot Clinic (Day) Merched Y Wawr AGM (Night)

Friday 30th September – Macmillan Coffee Morning

Saturday 1st October – Private Party

Tuesday 4th October – Flu Clinic (Day), Gwendraeth Rotary (Night)

Friday 7th October – Business Network Event, Cross Hands

Thursday 13th October – Steve Tucker's Life Journey

Saturday 15th October – Private Booking (Wedding)

Friday 21st & Friday 28th October – Bronwen Lewis

Sunday 23rd October – West Wales Bridge Competition

Monday 31st October – Children's Halloween Party

Friday 4th November – Country Night

Sunday 6th November – Coffee, Cake & Jazz to support Alzheimers Society

Tuesday 8th November – Foot Clinic

Friday 11th November – Merched Mynydd Mawr Presentation Evening

Saturday 12th November - Cyfeillion y Coetir Willow Making (Day) The Valli Boys (Night)

Sunday 13th November – Remembrance Day, 2 services. Tumble (morning), Cross Hands (afternoon)

Friday 18th November – Tumble RFC 125th Anniversary Dinner

Sunday 20th November – Dance Competition

Friday 25th November – James Williams

Saturday 26th November – Monthly Market

Thursday 1st December – Christmas Tree Switch-On Cross Hands

Friday 2nd December – Christmas Tree Switch-On Llannon & Tumble

Saturday 3rd December – Many Tears Fundraiser

Friday 9th December – Welsh Wresting

Friday 16th December – Country Night

Saturday 17th December – Private Party

Tuesday 20th December – Foot Clinic

Thursday 22nd December – Carol Service

Friday 23rd December - Pantomime

Remembrance Day Services

I have arranged two services for Remembrance Day, these are civic ceremonies, so councillor attendance is requested. Please let me know if you can attend:

Tumble

10am – Memorial Service in Dewi Sant led by Rev Lindy Morgan 10.45 – Parade to leave Dewi Sant 10.55 – Service at Tumble Memorial to include laying if wreaths

Followed by refreshments in Tumble Hall

Cross Hands

2pm – Memorial Service at Cross Hands Memorial, led by Rev Delyth Wilson Ammanford & Cross Hands branch of Royal British Legion in attendance Llanelli Wind Band in attendance

Followed by refreshments in Cross Hands Workingmen's Club

Invitations have been sent to MP, Dame Nia Griffith; Leader of Carmarthenshire County Council, Darren Price; Shadow Leader of Carmarthenshire County Council, Rob James; Chair of Carmarthenshire County Council, Rob Evans.

Christmas Tree Switch On

I have arranged this over two nights this year:

Cross Hands

Thursday 1st December 6pm – Short service at the memorial, led by Rev Delyth Wilson Christmas Carols Tree Switch-On

Followed by a children's Christmas Party in Cross Hands Workingmen's Club

Llannon

Friday 2nd December 5.45pm – Short service Tree Switch-On

Tumble

Friday 2nd December
6pm – Short service at the memorial, led by Rev Lindy Morgan
Christmas Carols
Tree Switch-On

Llannon & Cross Hands residents invited to a children's Christmas Party in Tumble Hall

Ten Towns

The Expression of Interest for the Cross Hands changing room has not been submitted due to advice received from CCC officers. A full update regarding this will be provided in the next full council meeting.

Cross Hands App

Due to launch, mid-October.

Networking Event

CCC and myself are putting together a business networking event on Friday October 7th, 2-4pm in Cross Hands Workingmen's Club. Please let me know if you would like to attend, it would be wonderful if councillors were involved. The agenda is as follows:

2:00pm - Croeso / Welcome

2:10pm - Datblygu Ap Cross Hands / Development of Cross Hands App - Dscvr

2:20pm – Trefi SMART / SMART Towns – Mared Pemberton

2:30pm – Darganfod Sir Gar / Discover Carmarthenshire – Huw Parsons

2:40pm - 100% Sir Gar – Natasha Mainwaring

2:50pm - Arian Cyfalaf Deg Tref / Ten Towns Capital funding - Natasha Mainwaring

3pm -4pm - Rhwydweithio / Networking

Cross Hands Playground Designs

We have met with two suppliers and are meeting with a third next week who are all working on designs for Cross Hands Playground. Once the designs are received consultation will take place with the community.

Cemetery Accident

I have dealt with two distraught families recently regarding the accident that took place in the cemetery. I am currently working with the insurance company to arrange for the replacement of the headstones that were damaged.

Storage Containers

Due to the imminent arrival of the new John Deere, we need a storage container to house it and also another one for all the bicycles at Parc Y Mynydd Mawr. I am sourcing quotes to be discussed in the next full council meeting.

Lane at Pen Parc

Social media posts regarding the lane at Pen Parc have criticised the council for not maintaining the lane. I am awaiting advice from the Council's solicitor.

Lane from Bethesda Rd to Rhosnewydd

I received a request from a resident to put up a barrier at the end of the lane as children are running and cycling straight into the road. An RTA involving a child happened there recently.

Safer Routes in Communities Bid

I am delighted to say I have received confirmation that the EOI I submitted has been progressed to full bid status. A meeting of the stakeholders will be held over the next few weeks to progress the scheme further.