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THE COUNCIL MINUTES ARE BACK!

After a lot of feedback from the community, it has been decided that we will include the full council meeting minutes in the Leeswood & District News moving forward. This is a great example of how feedback helps us shape this newsletter to suit everyone within the community. The minutes will still be published on our website for easy historical access, at:

www.leeswood-district.news/minutes

Please continue to send in your pictures, events and feedback so we can continue to make this paper better and better.

Also in this edition:

- ☆ We continue to plead for help with the development and distribution of this paper
- ☆ We remember Donald Heyward & Selwyn Thomas
- ☆ The carnival fundraisers have 2 special events coming up over the coming weeks
- ☆ Ysgol Derwenfa perform at Nightingale House Fundraiser

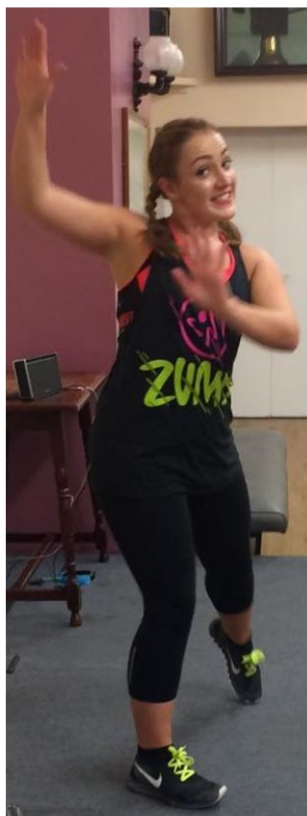


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Community Event



Come and Try: Zumba Dance Fitness with Holly Classes:
Leeswood Community Centre Monday @ 6.30pm (45mins/£4.00)
Brymbo Enterprise Centre Thursday @ 6.00pm (45mins/£4.50)

Come along and dance yourself fit with me! Anyone can do it from low to high impact in a friendly fun environment. Just bring yourself and a bottle of water.



See You Soon, Holly x
07947575028
Facebook: zumbawithholly



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WE NEED YOUR HELP

WE NEED TO FILL THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS:

- 1) New Editor**
(to replace June)
Takes around a day a month at present. We are working to reduce this considerably over the coming month
- 2) Committee Members**
To bring in new life and a breathe of fresh air.
- 3) Help with delivery**
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PONTYBODKYN LADIES GUILD

By Gill Burton

The President, Mrs. Lucille Ingman opened the meeting, at the Community Centre, on the 23rd February 2017, and introduced Sam Eastwood from Nightingale House. We had a nice informal chat as to the day to day running of the hospice and how, in the future, they hope to build an extension to accommodate more people who need help. Sam told us how they desperately need donations to keep things running and praised the Leeswood Hospice Group for their help over the years.

Refreshments were served by Mrs. Flora Roberts. The raffle was drawn and Mrs. Jenny Webb was the winner. Mrs. Lucille Ingman won the special raffle.

On the 9th March our speaker was Mr. Bryan Webb, husband of Guild member Jenny, he came to talk to us about the Air Transport Auxiliary. Bryan trained as an Industrial Chemist in London and worked as a research scientist in Berkshire and Newcastle-upon-Tyne and in manufacturing in Wrexham and Hertfordshire. He has given talks all over the country in museums, universities, colleges and Historical Societies so we were very lucky to be able to listen to him. We had a most interesting evening as Bryan also had slides to show and heard many stories of people who were in the Air Transport Auxiliary. It began in 1939 and in 1941 a woman was asked to set up a Women's Auxiliary (very unusual and not at all popular with men). Eventually it began with 8 ladies and at its height there were 1500 men and 166 woman involved transporting all kinds of aeroplanes to where they were needed, a very important part of the war. It was disbanded in 1945.

Refreshments were provided and served by Mrs. Jane Lucy, with help from Mrs. Margaret Roberts. The raffle was drawn and a visitor, who had been invited to listen to the talk, Mrs. Jan Burton, was the winner. Mrs. Jenny Webb won the special raffle.

Contrary to what has been printed in the Leeswood News for the last two editions the Guild are celebrating their 49th birthday, we have to wait another year for our fiftieth anniversary.

Oops

Mrs Lucille Ingman, MBE, had thought that in 2016, that she had been President of the Guild for 49 years. She now remembers celebrating the Guild's 30th Anniversary on 24th April 1998, which means that the Guild is not 50 until 2018.

Thank you all for your congratulations though – and we look forward to celebrating 50 years, next year!!

Future Meetings

Thursday 13th April 2017

1st Leeswood Guiding team about 'Guiding today'.

Welcome!

All ladies from the surrounding areas (Leeswood, Pontblyddyn, Treuddyn, Nercwys, Pontybodkin etc) are cordially invited to our meetings. We generally meet on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month, except August (next meeting date above). At the Leeswood Community Centre starting at 7.30 pm. Light refreshments and tea/coffee are provided. You will be very welcome.

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Carnival Fundraising



"UNLUCKY FOR SOME..."

"TWO LITTLE DUCKS..."

"LEGS ELEVEN..."

LEESWOOD CARNIVAL COMMITTEE

invite the Community to their

EASTER PRIZE

BINGO

to be held at

**LEESWOOD COMMUNITY CENTRE
WEDNESDAY 5TH APRIL 2017**

**Doors open 7.00pm
Eyes down for prizes 7.30pm
Raffle Prizes**

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Raffle Prizes

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Church News



Leeswood

Bethania Church

Coedllai

A warm welcome to all – Croeso cynnes i bawb

Sundays at Bethania

From the very beginning, Christians have met to worship God together on the Lord's Day, the day of Jesus' resurrection.

Morning Service

Our morning service begins at 10:15am and finishes about 11:30am.

The service is structured but fairly informal in style. We sing contemporary Christian songs and some classic hymns too. The Bible teaching seeks to be relevant to our lives and journey of faith, and should be appropriate for those who are seeking faith as well as those growing in faith.

A crèche is available for younger children. After the service we have tea and coffee, and sometimes a meal together as a church family.

Conversations of Faith

On Sunday evenings we meet at 6:00pm to read the Bible and to think about what God might be saying to us through it.

We call it 'Conversations of Faith' because:

- All are able to contribute, but no one is expected to or put on the spot
- No questions are off limits
- The session is for those who are seeking faith as well as those who are growing in faith
- We believe that God is able to speak through one another, not just through the person leading

Weekdays

Bright Sparks under 4s

Friday 9:30 – 11:00

High Fives - Reception to Year 6

Wednesday 5:45 – 6:45

Lasers – Year 6 and over

Wednesday 7:15 – 9:00

Of First Importance

The Apostle Paul writes:

For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures...

(1 Corinthians 15:3-4)

Some years ago, Mary and I were able to enjoy a holiday in Israel. That holiday reminded me that the events of the life, death and resurrection of Jesus are rooted in space and time. We saw the garden of Gethsemane where he suffered in anticipation of his great sacrifice for us. We walked the Via Dolorosa, the way of suffering that led to Calvary. We saw where the mount of crucifixion might have been and the place of the garden tomb.

Personally, I felt closest to Christ not in the great city of Jerusalem but in Galilee where he grew up, where he taught in the synagogues and on the hillsides, and where he appeared to his disciples following the resurrection.

On that Israel trip, my most profound sense of the presence of God was in the Church of the Annunciation in Nazareth. That great place of worship marks the occasion when the angel announced to the Virgin Mary that she would give birth to a son, Jesus (Luke 1:26-38)

In a Peanuts cartoon, Charlie Brown and Linus are standing next to each other, staring at a star-filled sky. "Would you like to see a falling star?" Charlie Brown asks Linus. "Sure..." Linus responds. "Then again, I don't know," he adds, after some thought. "I'd hate to have it fall just on my account."

In the book *Parables of Peanuts*, Robert L. Short reminds us a star did fall on our account. God came down to us as Jesus: like a lamb led to slaughter, He died on our account. He died so that we might know God's love and forgiveness, and he rose again to conquer death forever.

I am more amazed than ever at the grace of Jesus, who gave himself for us on the cross. And I am more convinced than ever of the truth of his resurrection and its life-changing power.

Love in Christ,

Rev. James

A warm welcome to all – Croeso cynnes i bawb

Please phone or check our website for details, changes and special events.

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Phone Rob 01352 771607 or Rev. James 07711 034020

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In Memory

In Memory of **Donald Sidney Heyward (Don)**, who passed away peacefully on 4th February this year. Jane, Richard and Rebeca wish to express their sincere thanks to everyone for the kind expressions of sympathy shown to them in their bereavement; also for donations received in lieu of flowers to be shared between the Shooting Star Unit (Wrexham Maelor hospital) and Cedron Chapel, Pontybodkin.



In Memory of **Selwyn Lloyd Thomas**, who passed away on 29th January this year. A total amount of £489.42 was raised in donations and was gratefully received by Wrexham Maelor Hospital Chapel.

With thanks to all who gave so generously.

Leeswood Craft Group

The group meets on alternate Monday afternoons from 1.30 to 4.30 pm, in the Leeswood Community Centre. Cost is £1 per meeting and Tea/Coffee and biscuits are served.

The members have recently been doing:- Beadwork, decoupage, sewing, patchwork, knitting, dressmaking, origami' lavender bags, padded hangers, lace making, crochet, cross stitch, model making etc.

It would be good to see you, all welcome. You don't have to be proficient in any craft, come along and learn, or bring your own craft with you and show others.

Future Monday meeting dates are:

- ⇒ **3rd April**
- ⇒ **24th April**
- ⇒ **8th May**
- ⇒ **22nd May**
- ⇒ **5th June**
- ⇒ **19th June**

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Carnival News

By Louise Hoyle Fennell

Hi-de-Hi our lovely Carnival Campers. We hope you are all feeling well and, now that Spring has sprung (although you wouldn't think so with this changeable weather still), that you are looking forward to what it brings, i.e. the beautiful flowers finally blooming, the little lambs in the fields with their mothers, the Easter Bunny coming, our Easter Bingo too (see what I did there - nice build up if I do say so myself!).

Yes, don't forget ladies and gentlemen, boys and girls, it is our Easter Bingo on Wednesday 5th April 2017 at 7.00pm at the Community Centre, with eyes down for some wonderful prizes by 7.30pm. As you can imagine though, trying to collect 22+ decent prizes to cover the lines and their houses, and the raffle, can at times be an arduous task (as some of you know who organise Bingo's in the village). You can unfortunately end up targeting the same people/businesses, as they always generously give (and we are extremely grateful to them all for that), but we really want to avoid this as it can make you feel a little guilty. So we have been, for this particular Bingo, trying to push the boundaries a little by approaching bigger outfits to see if they are interested in donating but, as I write this page to go to press, we are still awaiting some of them to come back to us. M&S however were very quick to respond. The Manager, and very lovely he was too (shhh, don't tell my other half) took me immediately to their more "expensive" range of eggs and he there and then donated one that (he thinks) they will be using on their adverts. Now THAT is the kind of generosity we are very grateful for from these bigger businesses. As you can appreciate, we are always on the look-out for people donating, whether those prizes be used for a Bingo or any of our raffles at different fundraisers, and we are, as I say, very grateful for when people do donate.

I know some of you have in the past turned up at our Bingo nights and brought prizes with you, which is fantastic, but even if we do have enough on the night, they will always be used at the next one or in any of our other raffles.



So if you do have any chocolates that you still have not opened from Christmas, and the use-by date is most definitely now looming, it's a no-brainer really. JUST EAT THEM! (I bet that exercise DVD is still sitting there unwrapped eh!!) 😊

We do hope you can make it to support us though. There are some lovely prizes to be won. We also have a "Guess the Name of the Easter Bunny" too. This poor Bunny has no name yet so, for just £1 a go, hopefully someone will guess it right and get to keep him/her. He/she does come with their own certificate and there is only one person who knows their real name. And that would be little old me. No other Committee Member knows its name so I will be plugging for them to buy a name too! The draw for the rabbit will be made on the night in the room and, if say, his/her name has not been guessed correctly before we start the Bingo, I will be taking the opportunity to make a plea on the Bunny's behalf that, as they still do not have a home to go to at the end of the night, people will need to take pity on them at the half-way point if that is the case. You can only win it if you are there. Hopefully though, someone will have guessed it right and then we can all go home early!

Don't forget Campers, there is no refreshments break half-way through the Bingo so bring your own bottle and we'll cork it for you for £2. (I am joking by the way. Bingo is rowdy enough without any alcohol in play!).

Please come and support us on the night. The Bingo's are always a great atmosphere. See the poster in this edition for details as I have waffled for too long and you have probably already forgotten when and where it is by now!

(Continued...)

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Carnival News

By Louise Hoyle Fennell (continued...)

I also have a confession to make about last month's write-up. I included the fact that this month's edition would contain full details of the Queen/Rosebud/Prince Competition and disco night which is going to be held on the 20th May 2017 but, unfortunately, it does not. (It's not my fault, I swear!). Our last meeting was so jam-packed with dozens of other items to be discussed, including the Easter Bingo, we just did not have the time to discuss this particular event. There is a poster advertised in this edition of the date and venue but, at this moment, we are yet to discuss registration and event times.

You can appreciate that, this being our most important fundraiser, we have to get it right. Numbers in attendance are high and we have to be careful and respectful of any fire and safety regulations not being broken at the Centre. Last year's event was, I have to say, unbelievably busy. It does, as you can imagine, bring a lot of interest. After all, these children are representing our village and I remember the days myself of entering each year and desperately wanting to win (but never did - boo hoo). We put in a lot of effort to make this a special and memorable occasion for these children (and the parents), so that they can look back on these days with affection. That is what I still do now (even though I didn't win - still crying here!). However, what we do not want is the constant task of trying to cram it all in within the space of a few hours and then unfortunately the disco only getting a two hour slot, which is what happened last year. The disco did not start until 10pm if some of you recall and that sadly meant some younger ones were far too tired to stay and enjoy the rest of the evening. So our aim at our next meeting is to concentrate on the registration and event times, making sure we allow enough time for everything, and that we ourselves on the Committee enjoy the event also. After all, we are there early afternoon getting everything ready and we are still there at 1am brushing up. It is a long day. A very long day indeed!

We will of course have to think about those all important numbers and how we get around this issue, so keep your eyes peeled for the posters going up for



that event as those registration times on them will be crucial for those interested to note. The all important information will be made available in the next LDN Edition (I promise) and on our Facebook page, so hopefully no-one will miss it. Word of mouth is also useful. On the subject of this event, we would also just like to quickly thank Mrs Donna Price (Hobson) for her donation of tiaras that can be used in the case of the chosen Rosebud and her retinue. Thank you Donna. We are very grateful for those.

I think that is it for now. We will certainly let you know how much we raised off our car wash on 25th March, and of course our Bingo on 5th April, in next month's edition. Oh, and not forgetting who won the Bunny with no name. I know it won't be me though, as I'm not allowed to enter. Surely, someone feels sorry for me by now!

Have a great Easter everyone.

Kind regards,
Louise Hoyle Fennell
Committee Member
LEESWOOD CARNIVAL COMMITTEE

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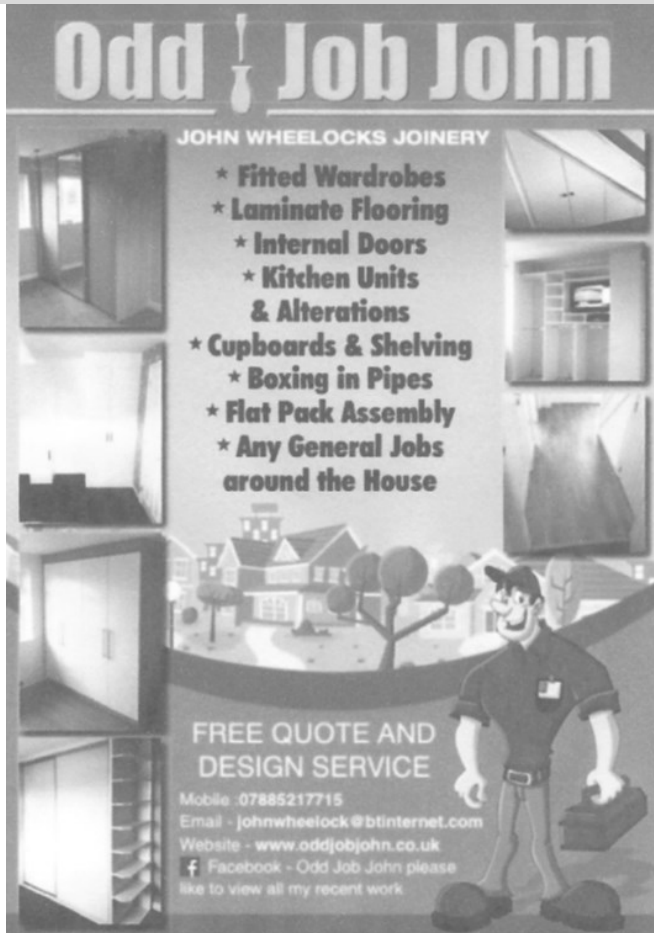
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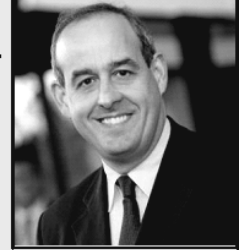
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SUNDAY 2ND APRIL: PASSION SUNDAY (LENT V)

11.15 A.M. HOLY COMMUNION
CELEBRANT: REV JOHN POOLMAN

SUNDAY 9TH APRIL: PALM SUNDAY (LENT VI)

11.15 A.M. HOLY COMMUNION
CELEBRANT: REV CAROLE POOLMAN

FOLLOWED BY THE CONGREGATIONAL MEETING
(FORMERLY CALLED THE "EASTER VESTRY")

4.00 P.M. EVENING
OFFICIANT: MR BRYAN JONES

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SUNDAY 16TH APRIL: EASTER DAY

10.30 A.M. JOINT HOLY COMMUNION
FOR THE CONGREGATIONS' OF
PONTBLYDDYN, TREUDDYN & NERCWYS
CELEBRANT: REV'D CAROLE POOLMAN

SUNDAY 23RD APRIL: 2ND OF EASTER

11.15 A.M. HOLY COMMUNION
CELEBRANT: REV JOHN POOLMAN

SUNDAY 30TH APRIL: 3RD OF EASTER

11.15 A.M. MORNING PRAYER
OFFICIANT: MISS MARIE REYNOLDS

SUNDAY 7TH MAY: 4TH OF EASTER

11.15 A.M. HOLY COMMUNION
CELEBRANT: REV JOHN POOLMAN

SUNDAY 14TH MAY: 5TH OF EASTER

11.15 A.M. HOLY COMMUNION
CELEBRANT: REV CAROLE POOLMAN

4.00 P.M. EVENING
OFFICIANT: MR BRYAN JONES

SUNDAY 21ST MAY: 6TH OF EASTER

11.15 A.M. MORNING PRAYER
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MONDAY 10TH APRIL

7.30 P.M. EVENING PRAYER
ST MARY'S CHURCH, NERCWYS

TUESDAY 11TH APRIL,

7.30 P.M. HOLY COMMUNION
& STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR
IN CHRIST CHURCH, PONTBLYDDYN

WEDNESDAY 12TH APRIL

7.30 P.M. HOLY COMMUNION
& STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR
IN ST MARY'S CHURCH, TREUDDYN

MAUNDY THURSDAY 13TH APRIL

11.00 A.M. CHRISM MASS
AT ST ASAPH CATHEDRAL

GOOD FRIDAY 14TH APRIL

10.45 A.M. IN WESLEY METHODIST CHAPEL
11.00 A.M. IN ST MARY'S CHURCH, TREUDDYN

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takes sadness to
know what
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to appreciate
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to value presence.

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Investment Choices - Personal Pensions usually offer a range of investment choices to suit your attitude to investment risk, and you can change your investment at any time, in many cases, free of charges. This provides an ideal platform on which to adapt your pension, to meet your changing attitudes throughout your lifetime.

Do I have to pay tax on pension income when I retire?

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What are the options when I retire?

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Memories of an oilfield man

Tom Nicholson

Evicted in Cairo

Before I talk about Carol's experiences of more house hunting in Old Maadi, in the last issue I promised to include a few pictures etc from Cairo museum here is a couple, I have far too many to include in one issue but if it's ok with the LDN, I will slip a couple in each issue some readers may find them interesting.

During the time, we lived in Egypt, we moved house four times and I always happened to be on the rig at the time (thank god) I didn't know she had moved into any of them until I came off the rig then I would have to start asking around does anybody know where Carol and the boys had moved to this time. We first stayed in the flat belonging to Gordon flat for a couple of months until his family were ready to move over, and we were in limbo and did not know exactly if and when she would come, so when Eric Whitfield the chief electrician arrived on the rig after his field break and informed me that Carol had moved into his brother Jeff's flat: due to marital problems, his family would not be moving over and his apartment was available. He had spoken to Carol and asked if she was interested in it (which she was), then he introduced Carol to the owner landlord who then insisted that if she wanted the apartment she would have to be ready to move in during the night otherwise he would rent the apartment to somebody else, she thought this was unusual at the time but seeing that the flat was only next door it was no big problem so Carol and the boys moved in at midnight, (the real reason for this odd behaviour will be explained later).

As I mentioned previously all of the expats had house cleaners and (boabs) I think that's how to spell boab his job was gardener laundry man and chasing kids and dogs away, we paid them a weekly wage of £3.00 each, this was a pittance but the Egyptian government recommended this rate of pay.

We made up for this in other ways, these were local people usually recommended by other expats, with the exception of, one English lady cleaner who was looking for any work. She had a sad story. Apparently she fell for a Egyptian doctor in England and she moved to Cairo with him, but for some reason he tired of her and passed her on to his brothers and so on, she had no passport and the Embassy did not want to interfere so

she was eking out a living amongst the expat community,

Anyway Toweda was the name of the cleaner that we had she stayed with us the whole time we lived in Cairo I know that this will sound like exploitation but we really did not need or require cleaners or Boabs, I remember Carol waiting for "Toweda" the cleaner to finish then Carol would go around the flat again cleaning, We remember one time Toweda inviting her friends in to demonstrate on how to use our Hoover showing them how it picked up the dirt through the tube, I know it sounds strange in this day and age but she had never seen or used a vac before, from then on it was hers.

I remember coming home after a really rough month on the rig and this was my first field break in the apartment, I had been inside it I must say it was a lovely place as I remembered it,

"What on earth is wrong with you" I asked Carol, she was sitting on the entrance steps to the apartment with her head in her hands, this was not like Carol at all, "what the hell have you got me into this time" she said, I didn't have a clue what she was talking about, "I am not going to tell you now but wait and see for yourself in the morning" and she would not tell me.

She must have told the boy's not to tell me either, so I waited, after a good breakfast they just sat and looked me not speaking the three of them just grinning, they must have heard something that I didn't, the three of them stood up and pulled me to the bathroom door "one two three" they counted then opened the door "I don't believe it" in real Victor Meldrew fashion.

Our toilet and Bidet completely over flowed and all the sewerage contents of the toilet belonging to flat above came gushing out all over our floor, the boy's ran out "we are not cleaning that up" and went out. "Toweda will not clean it so that left me, now it's your turn", Carol said and she too went out. After cleaning the mess up I set out looking for the owner, "Malesh" said the owner (this meant never mind it does not matter), "I will fix it Bukra (tomorrow or badibukra (day after tomorrow) or something like that.

Carol had been trying to get it sorted out before I came home but to no avail, to the Egyptian Male females are second class citizens so not much notice was taken of them, (sometimes I envy them) it was amazing soon after I had a word with him the plumbing was sorted out pretty quickly.

Memories of an oilfield man

Tom Nicholson (continued...)

Anyway, we had only been living there for couple of months and I while working on the rig Eric returned from his field break and informed me that Carol and the boys were temporary in his house with Marjory his wife as Carol had been evicted from the apartment, "Its a long story Carol will explain when you get home" he said, "but I have another week to go before my relief gets out here" "No problem she's ok until then" he said. With that he carried on with his work, I had no idea what was happening back in Cairo as there was no way that I could contact Carol, no such thing as mobile phones even the land line was crap even when it worked, the only communication we had was on the rig was ship to shore radio but that was for rig use only, so for the month I was on the rig we had no idea what was happening with each other (when we were involved in the conflict with the Israeli gun boat Carol was watching the whole thing on TV, we were living in Cyprus at the time) but that's for a later issue.

So for the next week I did not know what to expect when I arrived home "you would not believe what happened" she said after hugging me or trying to choke me I don't know which, "So tell me," how Carol has put up with me for all these years I don't know, some of the places and conditions I have placed her in is unbelievable, "well it was just before midnight and we were all woken from our beds with a very loud banging coming from the door, I went down in my dressing gown only to be faced by military or police I don't know which, but they were all armed with guns they then demanded that we vacate the flat immediately and we had two hours to do so", this was all in very broken English and Carol could not speak Arabic so it must have been terrifying for them to be thrown out into the street at that time of night with what personal belongings she could manage and not knowing the reason why, with all this commotion going on Eric and his wife came over



to comfort Carol and the boy's then took them into their home.

Apparently what had happened was the previous Egyptian tenants who rented Jeff's apartment usually spent six months of the year living in Alexandria on the Nile and the other six in Cairo, at a very low rent. So when this family were away the owner thought he would rent it to the Oil company for ten times the amount, The owner moved all of their belongings into the garage and rented it to Jeff then the owner arranged for Carol to move in during the evening as I mentioned, unbeknown to us the legal Tenants had arrived back in Cairo and quite rightly demanded their house back. As luck had it Gordon had a new flat ready for his wife and family but she was having second thoughts again, so Gordon let us move into his new one and he stayed in his old one again, so that was the tale of the eviction, I n the next issue we are on the move again house hunting moving from Old Maadi to New Maadi.

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Technical Corner

Joseph Caruana

I have recently stumbled over an old engine while visiting a friend of mine, and immediately the conversation centred on the good old days when we manufactured everything we needed without having to import anything. The conversation also touched on the subject that we exported British made products to countries all over the world, and these products were so well made that they are still in good use to this day.

With an industrial history as rich as ours, we are in a strong position to utilise our experience and implement our technical abilities to take a commanding lead in industrial affairs as a world class industrial nation. Things have obviously changed, and one might argue that the products we manufactured in the past, are in the past. However, it could be counter argued that we could use the reputation of the products that we manufactured in the past, to demonstrate our ability to meet the demands of the market of today, and invent new ideas to make our approach as unique as possible.

It is understood that at the present time we live in a global economy and therefore things could be made anywhere in the world and shipped to anywhere. This should not stop us from venturing into the unknown and explore new ways of doing business as a joint venture with developing countries. One of the many ways that we can develop a business relationship with other countries on a world scale is to develop a core product which could be adapted to different uses in different climates. The core product will obviously be manufactured in Britain while the adaptation for use in different countries would be carried out in the country of final use. A system like this could create a global industrial network which could produce a final product at a competitive price to compete with products coming out of the Far East. A good thing that could come out from such a system is that countries where the product is finally used will feel the satisfaction of being involved in producing the product itself, rather than just buying it from maker in the Far East.

If one peruses the industrial climate of today, one might discover that there are several ways of further developing industrial infrastructure, but one might need to think in terms of creating an industrial network rather than just producing a product to sell. However, to maintain a healthy spirit within the infrastructure, one does need to have a vision for the future and develop new procedures

to implement new systems to meet anticipated future market demands.

The industrial foundations for a successful future are already there, because they have developed great intellectual brains that made this country a great nation. All we have to do is to look for opportunities to implement the industrial wealth that we inherited from the people that shaped the industrial establishment of their time, and influence the industrial outcome of tomorrow.

Obviously, there is one big obstacle that can make things harder to accomplish, and for those of you who have tried to venture into new projects, would probably quickly understand that I am referring to how to finance the whole venture. From past experience, it has been discovered that those with money to spare does look to invest in ventures that gives a return as quickly as possible and as high as possible, however, if the money is not invested in industrial manufacturing, it will not enhance our industrial standing on the world market.

By only talking about the past, we might not make any progress, but if we analyse the past and implement a progressive version of what our ancestors have achieved, we can develop a new formula which will produce positive results with a profitable outcome. It is up to us to make our ancestors feel proud that we have handled their achievement wisely, and with industrial intellect.

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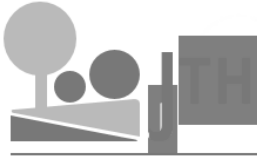


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Leeswood Allotments

Days are lengthening (see the chart below) and now that spring is officially here we are seeing warmer weather. In fact when this goes out we will have passed the spring equinox on the 20th March. All of which means that allotment holders are making more frequent visits to their plots. Instead of being lone figures down at the allotments we are out in force on a good day and how lovely it is to meet up once again with fellow allotment holders old and new.

Month	Day length in hours
January	7.5 to 8.5
February	9 to 10.5
March	11 to 12.5
April	13 to 15
May	15.5 to 16.5
June	16.5 to 17
July	17 to 16
August	15.5 to 14
September	13.5 to 12
October	11.5 to 9.5
November	9 to 8
December	7.5 to 8

Back in the autumn last year I took a number of cuttings from a blackcurrant bush in my garden which needed serious pruning. It seems that they have all been successful, with buds developing on everyone. They will stay where they are on the allotment for the time being but by September this year they should have a reasonable root system and if any gardeners or allotment holders would like one or two please get in touch.

This week someone handed me a packet of courgette seeds, surplus to their requirements. This prompted me to think back to February this year when these versatile vegetables were missing from our supermarket shelves. The shortage didn't last long but it highlighted how we British shoppers have come to rely on imported fruit and vegetables and expect to be able to buy them at any time of the year. We know we can now get strawberries from our supermarkets for twelve months of the year but a pre-packed, well-travelled imported strawberry tastes NOTHING like a strawberry harvested from a Leeswood Allotment.....just saying!!! 😊

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THE MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE MEETING OF THE LEESWOOD AND PONTBLYDDYN COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD AT THE COMMUNITY CENTRE ON TUESDAY 7th FEBRUARY 2017.

PRESENT

Councillor G. Sherwood, Chairman of the Council (in the Chair)

Councillor J. Caruana, Vice-Chairman of the Council

Councillors D.K. Crowther, R. Hughes, Terry Hughes, T. Hughes, C.E. Jones JP, D. Rule, J.E. Saul and R. Williams.

Also in attendance Marie Reynolds – Clerk to the Council.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

These were received from Councillors J. Atkinson, K. McCallum JP and J. Phoenix.

DECLARATION OF INTEREST – MEMBERS CODE OF CONDUCT

There were no declarations of interest.

AGE FRIENDLY COMMUNITIES

Mrs Helen Jones and Ms Ella Jackson of the Age Friendly Communities Team at Flintshire County Council were in attendance, along with Ms Natasha John, Business Development Manager at Volunteering Matters.

Mrs Jones explained that Volunteering Matters had been awarded funding from the Big Lottery 'Accelerating Ideas Programme'. The funding is for a five-year period to explore the impact of Community based activities that are led by the older people living in rural areas of Wales and Scotland. In Wales, an Age Friendly Community approach will be used which recognises the importance of effective engagement with older people but the need for an intergenerational approach. The Programme will work in four pilot areas in Wales; one area each in the counties of Flintshire (the Community of Leeswood and Pontblyddyn) and Pembrokeshire (Milford Haven) in the first two years and two further areas selected for years 3 and 4.

This funding would be able to provide a Project Co-Ordinator working with the Community for two years for 21 hours per week. Mrs Jones and Ms Jackson had met with the Youth Club and the Senior Citizens, also arrangements were being made to visit with the Primary School. However, they had other work within their job roles and were not able to just focus on the Age Friendly Communities process, having a Project Co-Ordinator would mean that this person could liaise with the Community groups and organisations. Ms John advised that the timetable for appointing a Project Co-Ordinator would be March 2017.

At present an Age Friendly Communities programme had been rolled out in larger urban areas. The Community of Leeswood and Pontblyddyn would be the first small Community to participate. Query was raised as to whether the cities or urban areas who already had experience of the programme would have models or be able to give advice or pointers? It was agreed that seeing what works well in other areas may be beneficial.

Observation was made that the community of Leeswood and Pontblyddyn has many clubs and societies that could be approached to see how they would want to broaden their membership. Further point was made that older members of the community may struggle to obtain their repeat prescriptions from the dispensary at the Leeswood Surgery, it would be useful if there was some way of helping residents out with this. Ms John explained that this type of issue would be something that was looked into.

The role of the Project Co-Ordinator would be to go out and meet with the Community groups. This would need a person with the right skills and all the better if they were fairly local to the Community. It was considered that the base for the Project Co-Ordinator could be the Leeswood Community Centre and it would be beneficial if there was internet access available. The Clerk advised that the provision of wireless internet was being looked into by the Community Centre Management Committee. Interviews would be arranged for March 2017 and these would take place at the Leeswood Community Centre. Mrs Jones was to confirm the arrangements with the Clerk.

Councillor G. Sherwood, Chairman, thanked the Age Friendly Communities team for attending the meeting.

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MINUTES

The minutes of the monthly meeting held on Tuesday 3rd January 2017 had been circulated to all members. It was proposed by Councillor J. Caruana and seconded by Councillor C.E. Jones JP that these minutes be accepted as a true record of proceedings. All Councillors in agreement.

The minutes of the Precept meeting held on Tuesday 17th January 2017 had also been circulated to all members. It was proposed by Councillor R. Hughes and seconded by Councillor D.K. Crowther that these minutes be accepted as a true record of proceedings. All Councillors in agreement.

POLICE LIAISON

PCSO Poppy Hadfield-Jones was unable to attend the meeting this evening. It was pointed out that this was now the fifth meeting in a row that the PCSO had been unable to attend. The Clerk stated that she had not received a report.

A newsletter for January 2017 issued by Inspector Jonathan Bowcott and a list of the Flintshire South PC/PCSO allocation had been circulated to all members. Also, further correspondence from Inspector Bowcott advising that there will be a change to South Flintshire District Inspector from 6th February 2017 as he will be away working on a project and Temporary Inspector Geraint Richards will be taking over in his absence. This information was accepted.

CEMETERY

Comment was made regarding the headstones at the Cemetery not being in line. The Clerk reminded Councillors that she had spoken to Mr Steve Blackwell, Stonemason in November 2016 and he had agreed to attend the Cemetery at the beginning of the new year to look at the headstones.

It was agreed by all Councillors that the Clerk should contact Mr Blackwell and ask him to attend a meeting on site at the Cemetery with Councillors R. Hughes and C.E. Jones JP.

The Blacksmith had been on site to look at the gates and had advised that he would be able to repair them.

HANSON HEIDELBERG CEMENT

Members had been circulated with a copy of the minutes from the Liaison Committee meeting held on 12th December 2016 along with additional notes from National Resources Wales and Site presentation. The agenda for the next Liaison Committee meeting to be held on 6th March 2017 was also provided. Councillor J. Caruana advised that he had no additional report to make.

Councillors appreciated the information provided by Hanson Heidelberg Cement and the documents were accepted.

COMMUNITY COUNCIL OWNED STREET LIGHTING

Councillor R. Hughes informed that he had spoken with Mr Darell Jones, Street Lighting Manager at Flintshire County Council. Mr Jones had pointed out that they had not received the full information from this Community Council as to which of the street lights were still the responsibility of the Community Council. Councillor R. Hughes had now received a set of maps detailing the street lights in the Community and he would pass this on to the Clerk.

MATCH FUNDING PLAY AREAS 2016/2017

Correspondence had been received from Ian Bancroft, Chief Officer for Organisational Change, Flintshire County Council advising that the County Council have approved match funding the £2,500 put forward by this Community Council and have recommended that the money be spent on the Play Area at Ffordd Siarl, Leeswood. This was accepted by all Councillors.

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PLAY SCHEME SUMMER 2017

Further correspondence had been received from Ian Bancroft, Chief Officer for Organisational Change, Flintshire County Council advising that the County Council has agreed to assist with the funding of the Play Schemes for 2017. The cost to this Council will be £1,309.00 for the first three weeks, then an additional cost of £710.00 for weeks 4 and 5. A total cost of £2,019.00. It was pointed out that the Play Scheme was well attended in the Community for the five weeks it was held during the summer school holidays. All Councillors were in agreement that the Play Scheme be provided for a five-week period during the summer of 2017.

FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL – BEST KEPT VILLAGE COMPETITION 2017

From Janet Kelly, Competition Co-Ordinator, Flintshire County Council, e-mail correspondence detailing the programme for this year's Best Kept Village Competition event. There is also an Information Evening on 8th February 2017 at County Hall at 6.00pm. Councillor Terry Hughes was to attend the Information Evening on behalf of this Community Council.

FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL – TOWN AND COMMUNITY COUNCIL ELECTIONS – A BRIEF GUIDE TO ELECTION PROCEDURES

Documentation received from Lynn Phillips, Team Leader, Democratic Services, Flintshire County Council detailing the advice for candidates who wish to stand as Town and Community Councillors. This advice is for general guidance only and should not be accepted as a comprehensive statement of the law. Information about all vacancies – including Notice of Election, Statement of Persons Nominated, Notice of Poll and Declaration of Results – will be published on Flintshire County Council's website – www.flintshire.gov.uk. Town and Community Council Clerks will be distributing nomination packs to existing Councillors sometime in February. Councillors accepted receipt of this information.

CADWYN CLWYD – IBEACON PROJECT

E-mail correspondence from Sarah Jones of Cadwyn Clwyd. The iBeacon Project is near to starting and a first session workshop for volunteers is to be arranged with consultants. Also, Richard Jones, Business Development Officer at Flintshire County Council has found the match funding of £750 in his budget so there is no longer any cost to the Community Council for this project. Councillors accepted this information expressing their appreciation that the cost of the project had been covered by Flintshire County Council.

BUS STOP AT LLONG

From Mrs Sylvia Limb of Station House, Llong, e-mail correspondence requesting that the Community Council gives support to an official bus stop in Llong for the X1 bus which passes through several times a day. Councillor R. Hughes advised that a suitable site to position a bus stop was being looked into by Flintshire Council. All Councillors agreed that an e-mail should be sent to Katie Wilby of the Transportation Unit, Flintshire County Council, expressing this Council's support for a bus stop in Llong.

COUNTY COUNCIL MATTERS

- a) White lining on Chester Road, Pontblyddyn – Councillor R. Hughes reported that the highway repairs on Chester Road, Pontblyddyn were now complete. The white lining will be done when the weather improves.
- b) Parking on Bell's Corner – the proposed suggestion of putting parking spaces on part of Bell's Corner in the area of the Cenotaph is not possible for safety reasons. It was acknowledged that parking on Bell's Corner is a problem and the current practice of parking part on/part off the pavement is hazardous. All Councillors agreed that an application should be made for double yellow lines on the stretch of highway alongside the pavement around the Cenotaph. The Clerk was to write to Mr Steve Jones, Streetscene, Flintshire County Council.

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c) Council house rent increases – it was remarked that there had been an increase in the Council house rent. Councillor R. Hughes pointed out that the part of Flintshire County Council dealing with housing is self-supporting. Over the past few years in Leeswood a programme of improvements had taken place with either kitchens or bathrooms being replaced in the Council houses. Rent increases were on a national level and not just County wide.

MATTERS OF AN IMPORTANT NATURE

a) Mandatory 20 mph speed limit outside Schools – Councillor R. Williams brought it to Council's attention that some schools in Gwynedd and Meirionethshire had mandatory 20mph speed limits outside them. The limits were on a timer and the 20mph was enforceable for a period at the start of school in the morning, at lunchtime then again in the afternoon at the close of school. It is a flashing sign indicating the 20mph speed limit and these are set on a timer. Councillor R. Hughes pointed out that in 2014 following permission from the Welsh Assembly Government, Flintshire County Council had started rolling out a programme of 20mph speed zones outside all Flintshire schools. These are marked by advisory black circular signs. At present, there is no plan to convert these into compulsory speed limits.

b) Community Council report in the Leeswood & District Newsletter – it was brought to the Council's attention that there was no Community Council report in this month's copy of the Leeswood & District Newsletter. The Clerk expressed surprise at this and explained that she had sent the usual monthly report to Mrs June Lincoln, the Editor of the Newsletter. Observation was made that the Community Council had an arrangement with the Leeswood & District Newsletter where the insertions were paid for and because of this it was expected that the report would be included in the printed copy of the Newsletter. All Councillors agreed that the Clerk should contact the Editor and request that the Community Council report be once again included in the Newsletter.

c) Bus Shelter, OAP bungalows, Maes-Y-Meillion, Leeswood – a request was made for the Community Council to give consideration for the provision of a bus shelter at the OAP bungalows on Maes-Y-Meillion, Leeswood. Councillors pointed out that most bus stops in the village did not have a bus shelter. Further remark was made that bus shelters also provided a gathering place for the younger members of the Community to congregate. All Councillors agreed that the opinion of the residents in the area be sought.

CORRESPONDENCE

a) Mold Town Council – invitation from the Town Mayor, Councillor Anthony Parry and his Consort, Mrs Pearl Parry to the Mayor's Charity Dinner Dance and Auction to be held on Friday 17th February 2017 at Soughton Hall, Northop. The cost of a ticket is £35.00. This was accepted.

b) Holywell Town Council – invitation to the Holywell Mayor's Charity Event on Saturday 4th March 2017 at the Stamford Gate Hotel, Holywell. Tickets are £25.00 each. This was accepted.

c) Chair, Flintshire County Council – 'Fun Charity Casino Night' at Treuddyn Village Hall on Friday 31st March at 7.00pm - £15 per ticket. This was accepted.

PRECEPT MEETING

COMMUNITY CENTRE ON 21/02/2017

PRESENT

Councillor G. Sherwood, Chairman of the Council (in the Chair)

Councillor J. Caruana, Vice-Chairman to the Council
Councillors J. Atkinson, R. Hughes, Terry Hughes, T. Hughes, C.E. Jones JP, D. Rule, J.E. Saul and R. Williams.

Also in attendance Marie Reynolds – Clerk to the Council.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

These were received from Councillors D.K. Crowther, J. Phoenix and K. McCallum JP.

DECLARATION OF INTEREST – MEMBERS CODE OF CONDUCT

There were no declarations of interest.

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DONATIONS 2016/2017

All Councillors had been circulated with a list of Organisations who had requested Community Council financial assistance. It was proposed by Councillor C.E. Jones JP and seconded by Councillor J. Caruana that all Organisations were given the same amount as the financial year 2015/2016. All Councillors were in agreement.

	<u>Organisation</u>	<u>Amount</u>
1.	First Leeswood Brownies	£150
2.	First Leeswood Rainbows	£150
3.	First Leeswood Guides	£75
4.	First Leeswood Rangers	£75
5.	Leeswood Senior Citizens	£150
6.	Pontblyddyn Mothers Union	£100
7.	Leeswood Bowling Club	£150
8.	Leeswood & District Angling Club	£150
9.	Nightingale House Hospice (Leeswood Support Group)	£150
10.	Leeswood Invitational Homing Society	£150
11.	Urdd Gobaith Cymru	£100
12.	Leeswood Carnival Committee	£200
13.	Welsh Border Community Transport	£150
14.	Flintshire Diabetes Voluntary Group	£50
15.	Air Ambulance Wales	£200
	Total	£2,000

Other organisations in receipt of financial assistance as budgeted for in the Precept 2016/2017 are listed as follows: -

<u>Organisation</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Leeswood Community Centre Management Committee	£3,000
Leeswood Playgroup	£1,500
Christ Church Pontblyddyn (Churchyard maintenance)	£1,000
Bethania Chapel	£200
Leeswood English Methodist Church	£200
Leeswood & District Friends (insurance Skate Park)	£644.75
Total	£6,544.75

PLANNING APPLICATION 056482

Erection of 2 storey lift extension to side of property.
7 Riverside Court, Wrexham Road, Pontblyddyn, Mold, CH7 4HA.

This application had been re-submitted due to a slight alteration to the plans. All Councillors were in support of this application.

PLANNING APPLICATION 056536

Construction of menage.
Sunnybank, Lon Castanwydden, Leeswood. Mold, CH7 4SU.

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April in the Garden

Jenny Pitts MHort (RHS)

Hopefully spring is finally here and we can all get out and enjoy our gardens! It is important to still be aware of the weather forecast, as we could easily get some late frosts and cold weather, that could put back seedlings, new plants and blossom. It is my favourite time of year when I start being able to sit in the garden and enjoy a brew before the day's work.

Jobs for April

- Keep an eye on weather and plant out your summer bedding and vegetable plants when chance of frost clears
- Keep sowing your sweet peas and vegetables every 2-3 weeks to ensure regular crops throughout the season
- Keep on top of weeds in your beds and borders
- Deadhead the spring flowering bulbs as they go over, this prevents seed production and allows the plant to store energy back into the bulb
- Now is a great time to apply mulch to your beds and borders

Mulching – What, why and how?

What is mulching? - mulching is the application of a material to the surface of the soil.

Why do it? – there are several reasons that mulch is applied. Firstly, it is a great way to reduce weeds growing. By applying a thick layer of mulch, you restrict sunlight to the soil surface and therefore stop the weed seeds germinating. Secondly, a good layer of mulch can keep moisture in the soil, by trapping it and keeping the sun off the surface, therefore reducing the need for watering the garden. The layer of mulch can also help to trap warmth and this helps plants establish and grow stronger. Finally, a border covered in a mulch looks tidy and improves the appearance.

How to mulch – it is important to ensure that there is a good thickness of mulch, otherwise it is just not effective, usually it should be between 2-4 inches deep to be fully useful. If you want to use it to keep the border moist and warm, apply the mulch after rainfall and when the soil is warm. Otherwise you are just trapping in cold and dry conditions. Where possible try to remove as many weeds before mulching, particularly stronger growing, perennials weeds that might break through the layer.

Types of Mulch

There are several mulch types, but the four main ones are

- **Bark** – bark chips come in various sizes so ensure that you apply a good thick layer to block out the light to the soil surface
- **Gravel** – there is a wide range of colours and sizes of gravel available. The smaller the gravel size the thinner the layer needed as they 'fit' together better. Consider the size depending on the location in the garden, you may want smaller size on smaller beds but larger on big areas.
- **Slate** – similar to gravel, but can provide a lovely Welsh feel to a garden. Less choice of colours but the purple/grey colour is great for showing off light coloured plants.
- **Compost/Manure** – if using any sort of manure, ensure that it has chance to rot down for at least six months before applying to prevent damage to plants. These types of mulch will rot down quicker and will need replacing annually.

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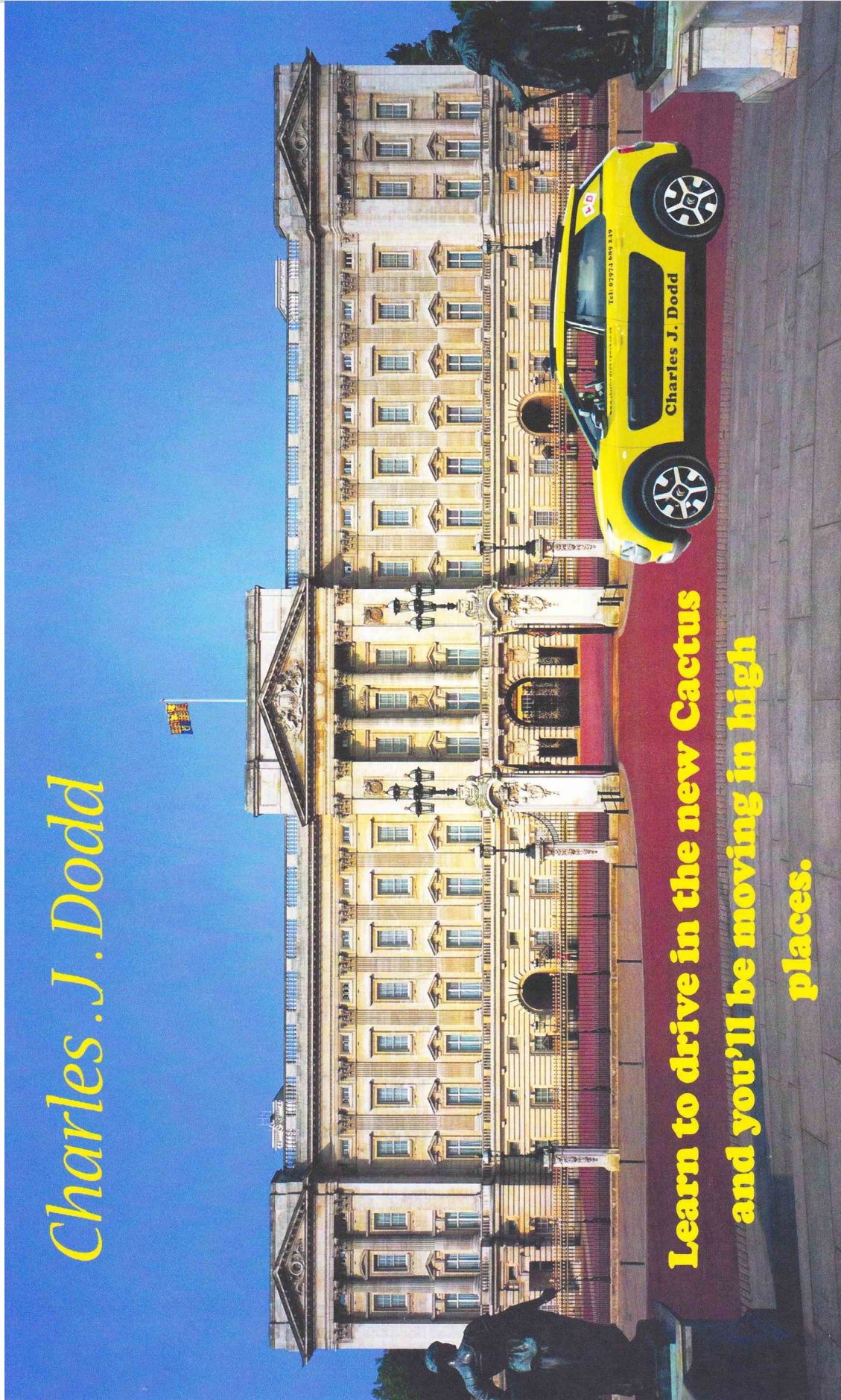
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Leeswood Nightingale House Fundraiser



On March 1st 2017, the Leeswood Nightingale House fundraising committee organised a coffee morning at the Leeswood community centre to raise much needed funds for the hospice. Every year the committee invite pupils from Ysgol Derwenfa to perform various pieces at the coffee morning. This year the school choir performed two songs – ‘Phunky Pharaohs’ and ‘Y Tywydd Roc’. They were brilliantly conducted by Mrs.Linda Dilkes. The year 4 pupils recited ‘Gwyliau’ and years 5 and 6 “Dim Parcio’. The morning was concluded with the audience and pupils singing a rousing version of ‘Mae Hen Wlad Fy Nhadau’. All the pupils performed well and were given a lovely ovation before they left the stage. The headteacher, Mr.Andrew Jones, thanked the committee for inviting the school and commended them on their sterling work in raising so much money for this very worthy cause.

Thank you to Mr Gerald Francis of Llanfynydd for the photograph.

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