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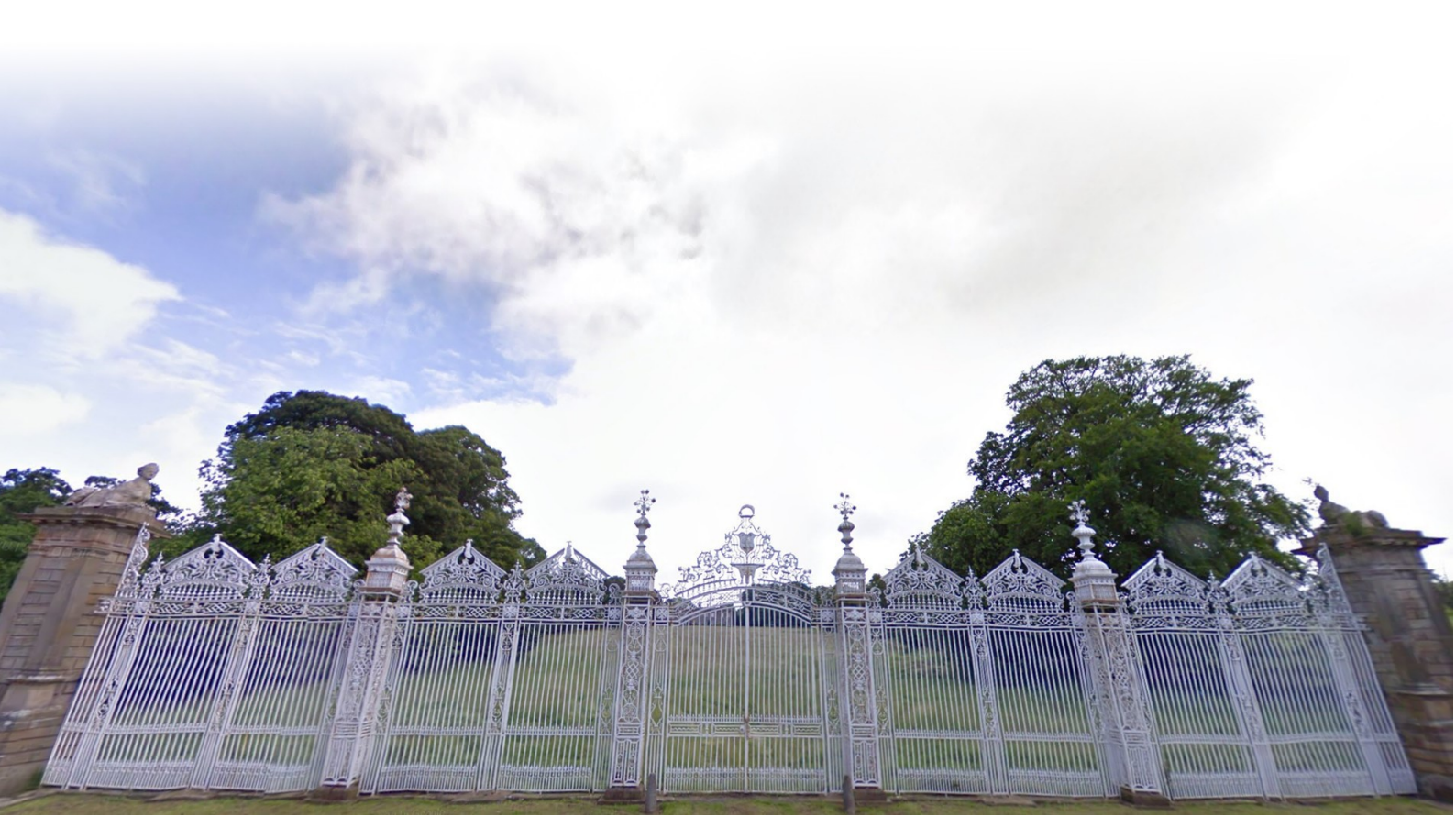
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## PONTYBODKYN LADIES GUILD

### LADIES GUILD

The meeting on the 24<sup>th</sup> January 2019 was scheduled as a Beetle Drive but as quite a few members were missing, either ill or some enjoying the theatre, we decided to just have a chat among ourselves. This we did, getting up to date with local news and also putting the world to rights, while Mrs Jane Owen served refreshments. The raffle was drawn and Mrs Maureen Calder was the winner and the special raffle, donated by Mrs Mary Morris, was won by Mrs Jane Owen. As the meeting was closed we decided we had had a very enjoyable time together.

Mrs Margaret Roberts, Vice President, welcomed everyone to the meeting on the 14<sup>th</sup> February. Mrs Jenny Webb did a reading to get the evening going and then Margaret introduced the speaker, Rev. Martin McCall. Martin came to tell us of his work with the Air Cadets. They were founded in 1938 [officially in 1941] and have approximately 45,000 members countrywide. Martin is based at 1378 squadron in Mold where he has been Chaplain for ten years. He described many of the exiting opportunities open to young people who wish to join between the ages of 12 and 17, and what a wonderful grounding for life it sounds. I am sure if anyone is interested Martin would be pleased to pass on any information he has.

Refreshments were provided and served by Mrs Janet Burden. The raffle was drawn and won by Mrs Gwen Gray, the special raffle, donated by Mrs Doreen Kilpatrick, was won by Mrs Anne Davies.

*Gill Burton*

### APPEAL

#### From Leeswood & District News

A few years ago we took the decision to make this a FREE publication, and this is something we want to continue.

It is a sad fact though, that our costs have increased and we have therefore been chipping away at any funds we had (all people involved do so voluntary).

We are looking at options going forward; one of which is asking for **Donations**; - these can either be paid to Clive (at Community Centre), John (who looks after our adverts/sponsors), or myself (June). Please make Cheques payable to "Friends of Leeswood"

Also, we will be going back to quarter-page adverts for **community events** being advertised (unless you would like to make a donation for a larger advert?).

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**SATURDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2019**

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CYMNED EGLWYSIG

## Bethania

CHURCH COMMUNITY

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### "I take your point"...

"I just don't get church," she said lifting the cappuccino to her lips.

"Thank you!" I commented.

"What?"

"You said 'thank you' when I opened the café door for you," I replied, "and thank you to the lady behind the counter, and thank you to the waitress. So I go to church on a Sunday to say thank you to God for life, for existence, for being here and for a million other things."

She thought for a second. "I get your point," she said.

"And sorry!" I commented.

"What?"

"We say sorry a lot in life, so I go to church to apologise to God for my behaviour and bad mind-set."

"I take your point," she said.

"And please, of course!"

"What?"

I put my flat white back on the saucer and explained. "Look, if we see a toddler fall over we pick it up and hand it back to the parent to hug and comfort. So on Sundays we lift up a broken, hurting world and hand it back to its creator to hold and to heal. And we ask God, please, to help here."

She looked at me over the table for a moment and reached out for a piece of the lemon drizzle cake.

"I take your point," she said.

"And that's partly why I do church," I concluded, "to stop for an hour or two on Sunday with like-minded people and reach out to God."

"Hmm," she concurred, "it's a bit like a coffee-shop God moment."

"I take your point," I said.

Peter Cousins

## A warm welcome to everyone!

### 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 modern Christian songs and some classic hymns too. We have Bible teaching that is 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.

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

### Sunday Evenings

On Sunday evening we are meeting at 5:00pm to read the through the whole Bible in a year. Come along and listen. At 6:00pm we have a time of prayer.

### Children and Youth

Bright Sparks under 4s – Fri. 9:30am to 11:00am

High Fives - Reception to Year 6 – Weds. 5:45pm to 6:45pm

Lasers – Year 6 and over – Weds. 7:15pm to 9:00pm

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### Croeso

Er mai Saesneg ydi prif iaith ein cyfarfodydd, mae sawl un ohonom ni'n siarad Cymraeg ac yn falch iawn o gael byw yng Nghoedllai a'r cyffiniau ac o gael gwasanaethu ein cymuned drwy gyfrwng y Gymraeg. Mae croeso mawr iawn i chi ymuno â ni ar y Sul.

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## CHRIST CHURCH, PONTBLYDDYN

### MARCH – APRIL 2019

**SUNDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> MARCH: NEXT BEFORE LENT**  
11.15 A.M. HOLY COMMUNION

**ASH WEDNESDAY - 6<sup>TH</sup> MARCH**  
10.30 A.M. IN ST MARY'S CHURCH, CILCAIN  
7.00 P.M. IN PONTBLYDDYN CHURCH

**SUNDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> MARCH: LENT I**  
11.15 A.M. HOLY COMMUNION

**SUNDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> MARCH: LENT 2**  
5.00 P.M. EVENSONG IN PONTBLYDDYN CHURCH

**SUNDAY 24<sup>TH</sup> MARCH: LENT III**  
11.15 A.M. HOLY COMMUNION

**SUNDAY 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH: MOTHERING SUNDAY  
(LENT IV)**  
10.30 A.M. HOLY COMMUNION FOR ALL THREE  
CONGREGATIONS  
PLEASE NOTE: THERE WILL BE NO OTHER SERVICES IN  
THE GROUP ON THAT SUNDAY

**SUNDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> APRIL: PASSION SUNDAY (LENT V)**  
11.15 A.M. HOLY COMMUNION

**SUNDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> APRIL: PALM SUNDAY (LENT VI)**  
11.15 A.M. HOLY COMMUNION

**SUNDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> APRIL: EASTER DAY  
IN ST MARY'S CHURCH, NERCWYS**  
10.30 A.M. HOLY COMMUNION FOR ALL THREE  
CONGREGATIONS  
PLEASE NOTE: THERE WILL BE NO OTHER SERVICES IN  
THE GROUP ON THAT SUNDAY

**SUNDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> APRIL: EASTER 2**  
11.15 A.M. HOLY COMMUNION

**EVERYONE WILL BE MADE VERY WEL-  
COME AT ALL OUR EVENTS**

#### CHRIST CHURCH, PONTBLYDDYN

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## Mold Mission Area

### Lent 2019



#### Ash Wednesday (6<sup>th</sup> March)

10.30 a.m. Mission Area Eucharist  
St Mary's Church, Cilcain (CH7 5NL)

7.00p.m. Mission Area Eucharist  
Christ Church, Pontblyddyn (CH7 4HG)

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**Study Groups** will meet every Wednesday during  
Lent at:

11.30 a.m. in St Mary's Church, Cilcain.  
7.00 p.m. in Christ Church, Pontblyddyn.

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#### Holy Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2019

7.30 P.M. EASTER VIGIL AND SERVICE OF LIGHT  
IN ST MARY'S CHURCH, MOLD





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## Lent

THE GROUPED CHURCHES OF  
PONTBLYDDYN, TREUDDYN & NERCWYS  
IN THE  
MISSION AREA OF MOLD

**MOTHERING SUNDAY 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH**

10.30 A.M. JOINT SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION  
IN CHRIST CHURCH, PONTBLYDDYN  
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### HOLY WEEK SERVICES 2019

**MONDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> APRIL AT 7.30 P.M.**  
EVENING PRAYER IN NERCWYS CHURCH

**TUESDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> APRIL AT 7.30 P.M.**  
HOLY COMMUNION AND STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR  
IN PONTBLYDDYN CHURCH

**WEDNESDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> APRIL AT 7.30 P.M.**  
HOLY COMMUNION AND STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR  
COMPLINE IN TREUDDYN CHURCH

**MAUNDY THURSDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> APRIL AT 11.A.M.**  
11.00 A.M. CHRISM MASS AT ST ASAPH CATHEDRAL

**GOOD FRIDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> APRIL**  
10.45 LEESWOOD CHURCHES TOGETHER SERVICE IN CEDRON CHAPEL  
11.00 A.M. GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE IN TREUDDYN CHURCH

**HOLY SATURDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> APRIL**  
7.30 P.M. EASTER VIGIL AND SERVICE OF LIGHT IN ST MARY'S CHURCH, MOLD  
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**EASTER DAY – 21<sup>ST</sup> APRIL**  
10.30 A.M. HOLY COMMUNION IN ST MARY'S CHURCH, NERCWYS.  
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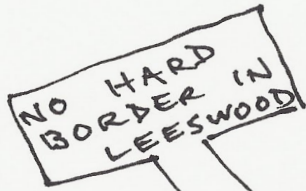
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## WHAT ARE BORDERS FOR ?

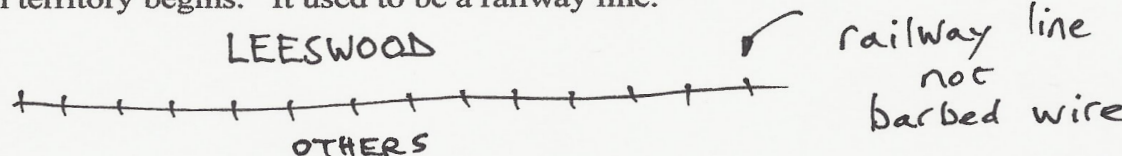
Much talk of between U.S.A. and invisible border between borders these days. Donald Trump wants to build a wall Mexico, to keep people out. The U.K. wants an Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland, to let people through. The search is on to find a border that is not a border. I was very amused once, taking a party of Art students to Berlin, when one of them asked me if I had ever been to Berlin before. I said that I had, "but of course that was before the Wall"

"You were there before the Wall came down?" the young student asked, incredulously.

"Oh, no, no," I replied. "I was there before the Wall went up!"

Looks of astonishment, as if I had come out of the Ark.

Walls are one way of marking a border. There is no wall between Leeswood and Pontybodkin of course, but there is a line in the road, marking where Leeswood ends and foreign territory begins. It used to be a railway line.



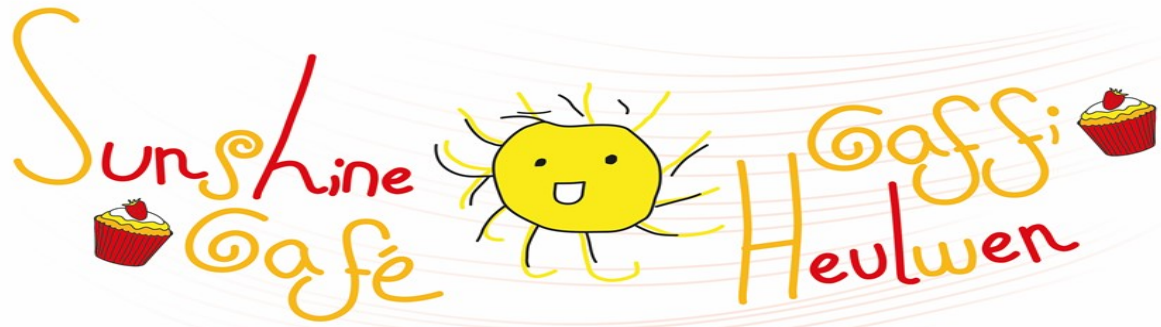
And you can change borders, anyway. I gather they're changing the constituency boundary, to even up the Welsh constituencies – that's one reason, and to cut down the number of Welsh MPs – that's another. So you can change boundaries, and boundaries are borders. It's called "Reorganization"

There is a border between England and Wales. Before "reorganization" there used to be a part of Flintshire called FLINT DETACHED. It was a sort of colony in England – a little bit of Wales, separated from mother. Eventually it was reunited with mother, and Flintshire became Clwyd. When Clwyd was itself broken up, that little bit of east Wales was gathered in by Wrexham County Borough. I don't suppose it makes much difference to the people who live in Holt, whether they are in Flint Detached, or Clwyd, or Wrexham. It matters to the administrators, though. I heard once of a dead sheep found on the bridge over the Dee between Holt [Wales] and Farndon [England]. The fact was reported to the Welsh authorities. "Which side of the bridge is it on?" the innocent citizen was asked. "On our side," said the Welsh man. "Well, go and drag it onto the English side of the bridge" said the person in authority. Let the English sort it out.

Then there's Llanymynech, not far from Welshpool where the border between the two countries runs down the main street. Houses on one side are in Wales, and on the other in England. And pubs. In fact there used to be a pub, the Lion, where the border ran right through – two bars in Shropshire and one in Montgomeryshire. In the days when Wales banned drinking on Sundays, drinkers who used to go to the Welsh pubs crossed the border and drank in England. Simple.

So I'm off to walk along the Border for myself. I'll start in Chester, at the elephant outside the cathedral, which is where the Wales Coast Path starts [and finishes] Now there's a proper border for you: the Irish Sea – the hard border between Wales and the Republic of Ireland that no-one is talking about – well, not so much hard as wet. I'm off. Now, where's that elephant?

*Mike Stevens*



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<b>Activity / Group</b>	<b>When</b>	<b>Where</b>	<b>Contact</b>
Book Swap	Every Thursday 09:00 - 12:00	Sunshine Café	Shereen Devine: 07469 851886
Bowling	Various	Bowling Club	Mike Jackson: 01352 771607
Bright Sparks	Friday: 09:30 -11:00 (Term Time Only )	Bethania Church	Ann Jackson: 01352 771607
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High Fives	Wednesday: 17:45- 18:45 (Term Time Only )	Bethania Church	Joyce M'Caw: 07713 439716
Ladies Guild	Every 2nd & 4th Thursday 19:00-21:00	Community Centre	
Lasers	Wednesday: 19:15- 21:00 (Term Time only)	Bethania Church	Joyce M'Caw: 07713 439716
Mother's Union		Christ Church Pontblyddn	
Over 60s	Alternate Wednesdays: 14:00 - 16:00	Community Centre	Mair Hughes:
Patch Work & Quilting	Tuesday: 10:00 - 15:00	Community Centre	Not currently accepting new members
Pigeon Racing	Friday Night	The Prince	Ray Hughes: 07794 208550
Play Group	Monday - Thursday : 09:15 11:45 (Term Time Only )	Ysgol Derwenfa	Claire Coleman: 07851 975198
Rainbows	Thursday: 17:45: 18:45	Community Centre	Cheryl Francis: 01352 218704
Safe Haven	Tuesday: 14:00 16:00 (Term Time only)	Bethania Church	Dorothy: 07549 606145
Sunshine Café	Thursday 09:00 - 12:00	Community Centre	Shereen Devine: 07469 851886
Suit Case Theatre	Various	Community Centre	Mike Stevens: mike38stevens@gmail.com
Youth Club	Tuesday & Thursday 06:30 -	Ysgol Derwenfa	Blue Richard: 07960 989580
Zumba	Monday: 18:30- 19:15	Community Centre	Holly Dugan: 07947 575028
Walks Around Leeswood & Surrounding District	Various	Leeswood & Surrounding area	Mike Stevens: mike38stevens@gmail.com



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## Technical Corner

Joseph Caruana

There are a lot of aspects that gives an industrial establishment the competitive edge it requires to become a leading organisation in its field. Whether an establishment is offering a service or manufacturing a product, it is imperative that a sharp lead is achieved to maintain a substantial income to provide for further research and development. You can have two organisations of similar size and operating in the same business sector, but one might operating at a healthy positive balance in its books, while another might be operating at a loss. It is therefore down to the way a company is run that determines whether an organisation operates in a way that it generates enough wealth to finance further developments. This is where lean operating comes in, because the leaner a company runs its' affairs, the less is the amount of resources being flushed down the drain

Another aspect which plays an important part in the success or failure of a company is whether or not everybody is pulling in the same direction, this could be referred to as positive collective effort, and involves everybody from top to bottom. This requires a certain skill of managing ideas irrespective of their origin. Good ideas can come from anybody, and not from those at the top only, however, there might be occasions when some people at the top or in authority who might not proceed with ideas, because the idea did not originate from them.

When a new idea is selected, it should be analysed and studied with great attention to detail. Then, if the idea is deemed to be suitable to be positively and effectively put into production, a production program is planned. The production program would include a study of how the production lines could be set up. The study would look at value added operations and non-value added operations in order to eliminate or at least minimise non-value added operations. An example of a non value added operation would be the movement of a product around a factory while it is being manufactured. One can move a sheet of metal around a factory for a whole day, if nothing has been done to it, at the end of the day it would still have the same value that it started with. Nevertheless, energy has been used to move the object around the factory, and as this energy did not increase the value of the product, it has been waste of energy, and as energy costs money, it has been a waste of money which is therefore a careless loss.

Some people in high positions within an organisation always like to see people doing moving about, and they come down like a ton of bricks if they see someone having a pause. Nevertheless, with the application of lateral thinking, the operator which is seen to be having a pause might be observing a process in order to improve it. It could therefore be advisable to engage in a system called 'Positive Collective Effort' where people from all walks within an organisation work together for a common goal.

Industrialists come and go. Companies come and go. Whether they come to exploit a workforce due to cheap labour or to deplete a natural resource is another matter. We hear people talking about recycling, and in all honesty recycling is a good practice. However, it is a good practice only if it is done prudently and with morality. On certain occasions, the environmental footprint to recycle an object creates more damage due to the forced recycling process which is applied. An example of this could be paper recycling, because, as paper is a natural resource it recycles itself provided it is given the time and the conditions to do so. To this end, one might ask how does natural recycling works. Well, as paper is compostable, if it is allowed to turn into compost and put into the ground, it will be absorbed by living trees and enhance their growth, thus providing new fresh environmentally friendly raw material. Critics of this system might argue it is not fast enough to keep up with the demand which market forces are creating. The answer to this could be solved if we start replanting as many trees as possible to everyone which is cut down. We can also apply a reusable system, where paper products are designed to have two or three consecutive used before it is deemed useless. This will involve some re-education and positive encouragement. As the population of this planet has increased, the consumption of everything has increase as well. Now whether it has increase by a ratio of one to one or a higher ratio we do not yet know for certain. What is for certain is that we need to be as environmentally conscience as possible, because the environment belongs to everybody and each generation only borrows it for their duration of life, with a responsibility to pass it on to future generations in a good enough condition for them to enjoy. As we judge past generations on how they conducted themselves with what they have been entrusted with, future generations will judge us on how we conducted ourselves with what we have in hand and at our disposal.



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- 3<sup>rd</sup> Mar** Family Service  
Led by members and friends
- 10<sup>th</sup> Mar** Morning Worship **10.45 am**  
Led by Mr M Thorne
- 17<sup>th</sup> Mar** Lord's Supper **9.30 am**  
Led by Rev Pat Christopher
- 24<sup>th</sup> Mar** Morning Worship **10.45 am**  
Led by Mr Chris Cole
- 31<sup>st</sup> Mar** Morning Worship **10.45 am**  
Led by Mr J. Mortlock

### Prayer

"Lord, it is my chief complaint  
that my love is weak and faint.  
Yet I love thee, and adore.  
O for grace to love thee more!"  
William Cowper

These are the words that many Christians pray from time to time. We are all in the business of drawing closer to God in prayer and encouraging others as well. The Wales Methodist Synod is embarking on fifteen months of prayer beginning on 1<sup>st</sup> March 2019. We are encouraged to pray for our ministers, local preachers and worship leaders that they may keep close to God as they prepare and lead worship. For those who lead the Circuit in business and administration.

### Family Fun



**Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March**



**6.30pm at**



**Wesley Methodist Church,  
Leeswood**

**£2 per person - children free**

including refreshments

Teams of 4

**Proceeds for refurbishment  
of toilets and kitchen**

### Focus

For each congregation within the Buckley and Deeside Circuit that they might follow God's path of Mission.

### A Prayer

Lord, we thank you for your faithfulness - that we may know in our lives and see manifest in your wonderful creation around us in its seasons and splendor.

Thank you, too, for the faithfulness and witness of generations before us in the towns and villages across this Circuit.

May we continue to be faithful in worship and outreach. Lord, equip us by your Holy Spirit for mission, service and witness and bless our leaders, lay and ordained, as they serve you and us, for your glory. **Amen.**



# Leeswood & District News



## Dementia Awareness Sessions



### What is Dementia?

Dementia is an illness caused by damage to a person's brain. Memory problems are one of a number of symptoms that people with dementia may experience. Others include difficulties with planning, thinking things through, struggling to keep up with a conversation and sometimes changes in mood or behaviour. Whilst it mostly affects older people, younger people can also get dementia.

### Supporting people living with Dementia

Over 17,000 people affected by dementia live in rural Wales, yet they often face barriers and challenges to accessing the support they need to live meaningful lives and to remain part of their local community.

People affected by dementia often have to give up the things they love because of lack of awareness, stigma and unsupportive environments. With increased awareness, understanding and support from local communities, people affected by dementia can continue to live full and active lives.

### **Leeswood & Ponblyddyn is working towards becoming a Dementia Friendly Community**

This involves working together to ensure people with dementia feel understood, valued and able to contribute to their community. Everyone in the community can be involved from churches to youth groups, cafes to bowling club, the local shop to hairdresser etc.

People in the community need to understand dementia before they can take dementia-friendly actions that will make the community more inclusive. Dementia Awareness sessions provide an effective way of increasing understanding in local communities. The session takes no more than 1 hour and involves learning more about dementia and the small ways we can all help.

**We are planning to hold a Dementia Awareness Session for the local community. The details will be published in the next issue of the Leeswood News, on the Leeswood Community website and promoted around the village.**

We hope you will help us to make Leeswood & Pontblyddyn a Dementia Friendly Community

***Thank you!***

Source: [www.alzheimers.org.uk](http://www.alzheimers.org.uk); Alzheimer's society Dementia Friendly Rural Communities Guide

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## PRIZE BINGO ON WEDNESDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> MARCH IN LEESWOOD COMMUNITY CENTRE



**ALL PROCEEDS TO GO TO  
YSGOL DERWENFA**

**DOORS OPEN 6:30PM**  
**EYES DOWN AT 7PM**

## Special Events

### MARCH 2019

**2nd March**  
(Saturday)  
Family Night (see page 27)

**6th & 20th** (Wednesday's)  
Mobile Library  
Maes y Meillion  
11:45 -12:45

**6th** (Wednesday)  
Bingo

**8th** (Friday)  
Coffee Morning

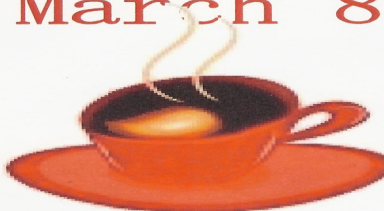


Nightingale House Hospice  
Hospis Ty'r Eos

## Bore Coffi Gwyl Ddewi St. David's Day

## Coffee Morning

in aid of Nightingale House Hospice  
Dydd Gwener 8fed Mawrth 2019  
Friday March 8th 2019



**Leeswood Community Centre**  
10.30am - 12.30pm

**Entry £3 - inc. Coffee & Biscuits**  
**Entertainment from Ysgol Derwenfa**

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LEESWOOD AND PONTBLYDDYN COMMUNITY  
COUNCIL

CYNGOR CYMUNED COEDLLAI A PONTBLYDDYN

**04/12/2018**

## **PRESENT**

Councillor D. Rule, Chairman (in the Chair),  
Councillors J. Caruana, L.T. Coleman, D.K.  
Crowther, D. Foster, R. Hughes, T. Hughes, J.E.  
Saul and G. Sherwood.

Also in attendance Marie Reynolds - Clerk to the Council.

## **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

These were received from Councillor J. Atkinson,  
C. Coleman, L.C. Richardson and R. Williams.

**DECLARATION OF INTEREST - MEMBERS CODE OF CONDUCT** There were no declarations of interest.

## **MINUTES**

The minutes of the monthly meeting held on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2018 had been circulated to all members. It was proposed by Councillor J. Caruana and seconded by Councillor R. Hughes that these be accepted as a true record of proceedings. All Councillors in agreement.

The minutes of the full Council meeting held on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> November 2018 had been circulated to all members. It was proposed by Councillor T. Hughes and seconded by Councillor D.K. Crowther that these be accepted as a true record of proceedings. All Councillors in agreement.

## **POLICE LIAISON**

PCSO 3684 Peter Jones was in attendance. He presented his monthly report.

## **Crime Issues / Trends**

(From last month) Suspicious circumstances on building site on Corwen Road, Pontblyddyn - looks like somebody has tried to gain entry in order to look at items inside - nothing was taken/ no entry gained. Suspect identified.

(This month) Theft from vehicle on Bronallt, Leeswood - a van has been broken into, nothing has been taken from within. Enquiries are on-going.

Unlawful access gained to property on Dingle Road, Leeswood - access to a property has been gained, nothing has been taken. Suspect vehicle has been identified, enquiries are on-going.

## **ASB Issues**

None to report.

## **Other News/PCSO activities:**

There has been a spate of thefts/people trying to enter properties in the Flintshire/Wrexham areas. Any suspicious activity should be reported to the Police using 999 if the individuals are still present

and continuing to act suspiciously (urgent) and the 101 service if the matter is not urgent.

A problem has been identified with Constitution Hill junction with Corwen Road, Pontblyddyn. Flintshire County Council have received many complaints regarding drivers being abusive around this junction. Query raised as to whether signage can be looked at, nothing to say the junction is coming up. It is especially bad coming from Pontblyddyn. Comment was made that there is a sign indicating a junction. Query was raised as to whether the issue related to drivers unfamiliar with the area. Councillor R. Hughes offered to meet on site with Officer of the County Council. PCSO Jones advised that the County Council had contacted North Wales Police on 101 regarding the problems.

PCSO Jones was asked if the Police had been aware of a needle found on Jenny Parry's lane to the rear of the new development on Heol-y-Goron. He informed that he knew nothing of this. It was pointed out that Streetscene, Flintshire County Council had been contacted about it and they had been on site within the hour. Councillor R. Hughes advised that when reports are made of needles there is a team from Flintshire County Council who attend immediately. The Chairman, Councillor D. Rule, thanked PCSO Jones for attending the meeting this evening.

## **CEMETERY**

Councillor R. Hughes reported that the work on the tree at the Cemetery had been completed. The Clerk informed that she had received a quote of £800 + VAT from Mr Aled Davies for moving the clay from the existing Cemetery into the new extension and at the same time re-instate the ground where the clay is at present with topsoil and seed in the Spring. All Councillors agreed that this be accepted. Mr Davies had also supplied a quote of £450 + VAT for removing the existing boundary fence from the Cemetery once the new fence was in place. Councillors pointed out that they would like to keep a demarcation line between the existing Cemetery and the new extension but were happy to see the fence go. Councillor R. Hughes offered to meet Mr Davies on site to explain what the Council wanted. At the same time, he would also advise Mr Davies that a temporary access could be made on the first bend of the road into the existing Cemetery for the movement of clay. All Councillors in agreement that Councillor R. Hughes should meet with Mr Davies.

## **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

Application number: - 058946

Proposed Residential Development

Factory 2, Pontybodkin Hill, Leeswood, Mold, CH7 4RY.

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This development was for 26 properties as follows: -

Type 1 housing - semi-detached - 8 units

Type 2 housing - semi-detached - 4 units

Type 3 housing - semi-detached - 2 units

Type 4 housing - terraced with underground garages - 4 units

Type 5 housing - terraced - 4 units

Type 6 housing - apartments - 4 units

The apartment block was to be two storey and these would be nearest the road.

Councillors observed that the properties would be sympathetically built. It was agreed by all Councillors that this Community Council support the planning application as it is in line with the sustainable growth of the village.

## **AGE FRIENDLY COMMUNITIES**

Councillors R. Hughes and G. Sherwood are to have a meeting with Mrs Helen Jones, Older Peoples Strategy Co-Ordinator, Flintshire County Council and Mrs Shereen Devine, Age Friendly Communities Co-Ordinator.

Members had also been circulated with a copy of an e-mail from Ageing Well in Wales and a copy of the Older People's Commissioner's Newsletter for Autumn 2018, A Guide to Respite for People Affected by Dementia and the Welsh Government Consultation Document on 'Connected Communities - Tackling Loneliness and Social Isolation'. These documents were accepted.

## **PARKING ISSUES - BELL'S CORNER AND JUNCTION OF BRYN CLYD/KING STREET**

The Clerk reported that Mr Lee Shone of Highways, Flintshire County Council had informed that the advertisement regarding the double yellow lines on Bell's Corner and the junction of Bryn Clyd/King Street will be put in the press before Christmas. If the work is to be carried out it will be sub-contracted out, but under the supervision of Flintshire County Council.

## **CADWYN CLWYD - iBEACON PROJECT**

Councillor J.E. Saul and Mrs Jo Danson had given the i-Beacons Project Presentation at Ysgol Derwenfa on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> November 2018. A training session is to take place on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> January 2019 at 3.30pm. This is open to the teaching staff and Councillors.

## **TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT, PONTBLYDDYN CROSSROADS**

The Chairman, Councillor D. Rule, Councillors R. Hughes, G. Sherwood and the Clerk met with Mr Rob Nursaw, Mr Lee Shone and Mr Ian Williams,

Officers of Flintshire County Council in Pontblyddyn on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2018 at 3pm. During the meeting a local resident stopped to complain about the speed of the lorries travelling through the village at 5am. It was agreed by those present that a speed survey is required and old data on speed would be looked into. A mini-roundabout would not be suitable. Traffic modelling would establish if traffic lights on the crossroads were feasible, also if there was money available in the budget. Residents of the village were intending to put in a petition complaining about the speed of traffic through the village. Observation was made that the speeding through the village was more of a problem than the crossroads. The Go Safe team had been seen in Pontblyddyn at 5.45am one morning. Comment was made that the Companies who have lorries travelling through Pontblyddyn could be approached and asked if their drivers would keep to the speed limit while going through Pontblyddyn. However, it was pointed out that all Companies would need to be contacted and Council would have to know who they were.

## **PONTBLYDDYN VILLAGE SIGN**

There had been no further report on the progress of the erection of this sign.

Councillor R. Hughes advised that the damaged village sign on the Chester Road, Pontblyddyn had now been replaced at no cost to this Council.

## **NORTH WALES POLICE, SOUTH FLINTSHIRE CONSULTATION MEETING ON THURSDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2018**

Members had been circulated with a copy of the slide show given at the Consultation Meeting. Councillor R. Hughes stated that it had been a very informative meeting and Inspector D. Whibberley along with his team had given an excellent presentation. It was also a pleasure to meet with the new Chief Constable of North Wales, Carl Foulkes, who had also attended the meeting.

The Clerk reported that Inspector Whibberley had been very pleased with the venue and grateful to this Council for hosting the evening.

## **FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL - PREPARATIONS FOR THE COMING WINTER**

Councillor R. Hughes reported that he would be meeting with Mr Ian Williams of Streetscene, Flintshire County Council, to discuss potential sites for salt bins in the communities of Leeswood and Pontblyddyn.

## **COUNTY FORUM MEETING OF 23<sup>RD</sup> OCTOBER 2018 - COUNTY COUNCIL ELECTORAL REVIEW, LOCAL DEMOCRACY AND BOUNDARY COMMISSION FOR WALES**

This matter relates to the reduction of Flintshire County Councillors from 70 in number to 63.



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It was pointed out that this is a very important matter and the Community Council should comment on this. Previously, there had been a suggestion of tagging Leeswood and Pontblyddyn onto Hope and Caergwrle. This was considered as not feasible as Leeswood and Pontblyddyn has no connection with Hope and Caergwrle apart from the odd farm. Observation made that Leeswood and Pontblyddyn do not fall much short of the required numbers and that thought should be given to how the ward could be supplemented. Comment was made that even though Leeswood and Pontblyddyn do not quite make up the required numbers, a lot of distance is covered with this being a rural ward. It is understood that the Boundary Commission may look more favourably to those community wards in rural areas. There is a lot going on in this Community; new Council properties have been built and we are a pilot scheme in North Wales for Age Friendly Communities, to name but two. All Councillors agreed that the Clerk should prepare a response for the next meeting. The closing date of the consultation is 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2019.

## **FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL - REVISED RIGHTS OF WAY IMPROVEMENT PLAN 2018-2028, ALSO PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY POLICIES AND PROCEDURES**

Flintshire County Council have opened a consultation period on the revised Rights of Way Improvement Plan 2018-2028, also the Public Rights of Way Policies and Procedures. Members had been circulated with these documents. The consultation period closes on 31<sup>st</sup> January 2019. This was accepted.

Councillors pointed out that the Flintshire County Council interactive map is a very useful tool. This can be used from a mobile phone and you are able to see whether you are on the correct footpath. It was considered by all Councillors that the use of the interactive map should be promoted.

## **WELSH GOVERNMENT - SECTION 137 EXPENDITURE LIMIT 2019/2020**

Councillors had been circulated with a copy of correspondence from Judith Cole, Local Government Finance & Workforce Partnerships Division, Welsh Government detailing the Section 137 Expenditure Limit of £8.12 per elector for 2019/2020. Section 137 permits Town and Community Councils to spend on activities for which it has no specific powers, if the Council considers that such expense will bring direct benefit to,

the area or any part of it, or all or some of its inhabitants, providing that the benefit is commensurate with the expenditure. This was accepted.

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## **MATTERS OF AN IMPORTANT NATURE**

a) Remembrance Weekend - the Afternoon Tea Dance held on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2018 at the Community Centre, had been very poorly attended. This was very disappointing. Councillor R. Hughes thanked Councillors for attending the annual Remembrance Sunday Parade. It was agreed by all that the buffet following the Service at the Cenotaph was very successful. The Clerk stated that there were at least 60 members of the Community who had returned to the Community Centre. Councillor J. Caruana proposed and Councillor R. Hughes seconded that the buffet be made an annual event. All Councillors in agreement.

b) Standing Tommy - it was agreed by all Councillors that a Standing Tommy be purchased for next year's Remembrance Day, to be sited at the Cenotaph. The Clerk is to make enquiries in the New Year.

c) Christmas Lights - these have now been put in place.

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CYNGOR CYMUNED COEDLLAI A PONTBLYDDYN

08/01/2019

## **PRESENT**

Councillor D. Rule, Chairman (in the Chair),  
Councillors J. Caruana, L.T. Coleman, D.K.  
Crowther, D. Foster, R. Hughes, T. Hughes, L.C.  
Richardson, J.E. Saul and R. Williams.

Also in attendance Marie Reynolds – Clerk to the Council.

## **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

These were received from Councillor J. Atkinson,  
C. Coleman and G. Sherwood.

## **DECLARATION OF INTEREST – MEMBERS CODE OF CONDUCT**

There were no

declarations of interest.

## **MINUTES**

The minutes of the monthly meeting held on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> December 2018 had been circulated to all members. It was proposed by Councillor R. Hughes and seconded by Councillor J. Caruana that these be accepted as a true record of proceedings. All Councillors in agreement.

## **CEMETERY**

Councillor R. Hughes reported that the fencing of the new extension had now been completed. Mr Aled Davies would like to remove the fencing that separates the existing Cemetery and the extension. This would help in accommodating the drain. Councillors agreed that an opening could be made for this, but the consensus of opinion was that it would be nice to maintain some sort of boundary between the two pieces of land for aesthetic reasons. The boundary could be in the form of existing hedgerow rather than a wire fence. Any clay movement should be done through an opening on the first bend of the road-way up into the existing Cemetery.

## **AGE FRIENDLY COMMUNITIES**

Correspondence addressed to the Chairman, Councillor D. Rule had been received from Mrs Helen Jones, Older People's Strategy Co-Ordinator, Flintshire County Council. Mrs Jones was writing in respect to the Age-Friendly Community development work and also to raise a potential opportunity that might be of benefit to eligible residents in the local community.

It is two years since the Community Council first unanimously agreed to start working towards being an Age Friendly Community – the first in Flintshire. The focus during the first twelve months was on engagement with the wider community, identifying community priorities and developing links with key individuals and groups. Some good progress has been made, particularly

in the last twelve to eighteen months where the Age-Friendly Community Action Plan has been produced, initial actions identified, and development work and activities have come to fruition. Together we have learned a great deal, and whilst this has been shared formally with our Rural Wisdom colleagues, our experience and resources have also been shared informally with other groups in Flintshire who are in the early stages of becoming Age-Friendly. Leeswood & Pontblyddyn's Age-Friendly Community action plan has been considered by two Communities in Flintshire as something they would like to aim towards in their communities.

The development of the 'Old' Clinic' has been very worthwhile, and whilst it is primarily used for the weekly community café, it is now a very practical space that could be used for a variety of purposes. This space was initially offered by the Community Council as a base for the Rural Wisdom Project Co-ordinator to work from and for meetings with members of the community, partners etc. The Age-Friendly Community action plan identified this space for development as a community café or drop-in centre where people of all ages could meet, or as an informal meeting venue. This community café has been very successful, with more than twenty customers attending each week providing somewhere local where people can meet up for a chat, make friends and hopefully help to reduce the risk of loneliness.

One of the actions identified for the second year of the Age-Friendly Community action plan, is to work towards being Dementia-Friendly, ensuring that those people living with dementia in the community and their carers', feel supported and are able to continue to maintain their wellbeing and independence for as long as they are able. In order to take this work forward the Age-Friendly Community steering group has agreed that it needs to meet weekly, helping to build strong foundations for the Age-Friendly Community and Dementia Friendly development work going forward and to ensure sustainability in the long-term. The Age-Friendly Community steering group does not generate revenue from activity and does not exist for the benefit of one particular group. Its aim is to ensure that Leeswood & Pontblyddyn is a safe, inclusive community that enables everyone living and working there to age well.

Mrs Jones goes on to say that she is seeking support from the Community Council, that it continues its commitment to the Age-Friendly Community development beyond the provision of a base for the Rural Wisdom Project Co-ordinator, to include provision of a base for the Age-Friendly

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Community steering group to continue to take this development work forward.

The Rural Wisdom Project is now in the last half of its second year, due to end on 31<sup>st</sup> May 2019, but the project has secured additional funding to enable the Project Co-ordinator to continue working in Leeswood & Pontblyddyn for one day each week from June until the end of October 2019 to help build sustainability.

Finally, in seeking to identify FREE training for the Community Café volunteers in basic food hygiene and health and safety, an opportunity has arisen that might benefit the wider community. Mrs Jones has approached Flintshire County Council Community Enterprise Team who offer 'Pathways' training to help people who are not currently in Education, Employment or Training into work. They are able to provide a 'Pathways into Catering and Hospitality' course for the café volunteers and others in the community who are eligible to attend, but the café volunteers felt the course was too comprehensive for their needs. However, if the Community Council can identify a need and can identify (a minimum of) 8 individuals from the community, the course could provide an ideal opportunity for eligible residents to develop skills for a career in catering and hospitality. The Community Enterprise Team would provide the course free of charge, if the Community Council is able to provide the venue. The course is fully accredited and would run over four days (from 9:15am until 3:30pm approx.) and covers:

Food Safety - Level 2

Emergency First Aid at work course - Level 2

Health and Safety Level 2

Cosh Level 2

Customer Service - ½ day introduction

Councillor R. Hughes pointed out that it was great to know that Leeswood and Pontblyddyn were leading the way in regard to Age Friendly Communities in Flintshire. He went on to state that the Community Café was indeed very successful, he attended when possible and it was good to see so many residents of the Community there.

The Clerk advised that she had invited Mrs Helen Jones and Mrs Shereen Devine, Age Friendly Communities Co-ordinator to attend a meeting of the Community Council to be held on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2019. Also, a Dementia Awareness course has been organised for the Community Council on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2019.

## **PARKING ISSUES - BELL'S CORNER AND JUNCTION OF BRYN CLYD/KING STREET**

The Clerk reported that she had heard nothing further from Mr Lee Shone, Highways, Flintshire County Council. It was agreed by all Councillors that contact be made with him to see what progress had been made.

## **CADWYN CLWYD - iBEACON PROJECT**

Mrs Jo Danson is to give a training session at Ysgol Derwenfa, Leeswood, on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> January 2019 at 3.30pm. This is open to the teaching staff and Councillors.

It was pointed out that a date for the launch should be given some consideration. Councillor J.E. Saul would discuss this with Mrs Jo Danson.

## **FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL - BEST KEPT COMMUNITIES COMPETITION 2019**

Councillor D.K. Crowther informed that the DVSA are looking to do a team building day. He advised that his superior at the DVSA had enquired as to whether something could be done in our Community, such as a litter pick or planting. Councillors welcomed this offer and it was agreed that this would be discussed in more detail at the February 2019 meeting.

## **150<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE MOLD RIOTS, 2019**

Samantha Roberts, Clerk to Mold Town Council had forwarded e-mail correspondence regarding the Daniel Owen Festival Committee and their plans to showcase the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Mold Riots 2019.

A new play on the Mold Riots is being written and this will be performed in Mold on/around the High Street 21<sup>st</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> October 2019. Part of the Daniel Owen Festival in October 2019 will also incorporate a walk from Leeswood to Mold, (this is to take place on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> October) and a guided walk in Leeswood with Walkabout Flintshire during the week. The Daniel Owen Festival Committee would be happy for the Community Council to be involved with this.

All Councillors agreed that it would be good for this Community Council to be involved with these arrangements.

## **AUDITOR GENERAL FOR WALES PRESS RELEASE RE LOCAL GOVERNMENT DOING MORE TO DEVELOP A STRONG DATA CULTURE**

Members had been circulated with will a copy of the press release from the Auditor General for Wales. Local Authorities in Wales are sitting on a 'rich vein' of personal, financial and community data that could help them develop more efficient and effective services.



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The Auditor General states in his recently released report that while Councils are slowly developing a strong data culture, they need to do more to unlock its full potential. This document was accepted.

## **ONE VOICE WALES – TRAINING SESSIONS, JANUARY TO MARCH 2019**

Councillors had been circulated with a copy of e-mail correspondence from One Voice Wales detailing the training sessions arranged for January to March 2019 and an overview of the course modules.

Councillor D. Foster expressed an interest in attending the course on Module 1 – The Council – to be held on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2019 at Abergele Town Council Offices at 6.30pm. The Clerk was to book this.

## **COUNTY FORUM MEETING**

Councillors had been circulated with e-mail correspondence from Sam Perry, Corporate Business and Communications Support Officer, Flintshire County Council advising that the next County Forum meeting will take place at the Town Council Offices, Quay Building, Fron Road, Connah's Quay, on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2019. Suggestions for Agenda items are invited to be submitted by 19<sup>th</sup> January 2019. This was accepted.

## **COUNTY COUNCIL MATTERS**

a) Pot Holes in the Community – some of these have now been repaired and those remaining will be attended to over the coming weeks.

b) Re-surfacing of highway in the village of Leeswood – a bid has been put in to re-surface the stretch of road from Bell's Corner to Stryt Cae Rhedyn.

c) Grit boxes in Leeswood – Councillor R. Hughes and Mr Ian Williams of Streetscene, Flintshire County Council had inspected areas that required Community Council funded grit boxes. Two of these boxes were required on the Parc Derwen estate. It was proposed by Councillor T. Hughes and seconded by Councillor D.K. Crowther that these be installed. All Councillors were in agreement.

## **MATTERS OF AN IMPORTANT NATURE**

a) Break-ins in the Community, evening of 7<sup>th</sup> January 2019 – it was brought to the Council's attention that residents had reported break-ins in the Community on Facebook. Councillors expressed concern at this news, and it was hoped that the Police would be able to provide more information regarding these.

b) 20mph mandatory speed limit outside Flintshire Schools – reference was made that Flintshire County Council did not seem to have a policy for mandatory 20mph speed limit outside Schools in the county. It was commented that Wrexham County Borough Council did have these mandatory 20mph speed limits outside the Schools of their county and it was hoped that Flintshire would follow this. Concern was expressed at the speed of vehicles travelling along the main road through the village of Leeswood and Councillors hoped that the 20mph advisory speed limit sign would be replaced by a 20mph mandatory speed limit sign. This item was to be included on the Agenda for the next monthly meeting of this Council.

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

a) Mayor of Mold Charity Dinner Dance, Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2019 – this is to take place at the Beaufort Park Hotel, New Brighton, 6.45pm till 12.30am. The Mayor's chosen Charity is Save a Life, Make a Difference Appeal. Tickets are £25.00.

b) Report of broken bottles on Phoenix Park, Leeswood – Mr Bob Pitts of Dingle Road, Leeswood, had e-mailed regarding the problem of broken glass in Phoenix Park. On 27<sup>th</sup> December 2018, for the third time in recent weeks, there have been broken bottles on and around the two large stones near to the play area. Mr Pitts had removed all that he could collect. It is horrifying to know that anyone would intentionally break bottles anywhere, but especially not within yards of a children's play area, especially as some of the children actually play on those stones. This is a recent occurrence. Councillors thanked Mr Pitts for his e-mail and expressed their concern at this report. It was pointed out that Streetscene, Flintshire County Council, regularly inspect the area and undertake a litter pick twice weekly. The issue outlined by Mr Pitts would be reported to Streetscene.

# Leeswood & District News

## CPR AND DEFIBRILLATOR TRAINING

Hello readers,

Well, at last, I have finally managed to secure a date for further CPR and defibrillator training at the Community Centre. I am so sorry it has taken this long to sort out since our first training session but life, and what it throws at you, tends to get in the way sometimes!

There is a poster (on the back page) in this edition for you to check out the necessary details of the relevant date and time etc but, just to keep you fully informed, it is my intention to host three sessions on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2019 commencing at 3.00pm with the Welsh Hearts Charity allowing groups of around 15 to 20 people per session. As you can appreciate there was a lot of interest on the first occasion and many at the back did not get the best view. Hosting sessions in this way with groups of lower numbers will prove more fruitful for those attending. If numbers are high then we may just have to stretch that little further to around 25 per group but we will see.

There will be an opportunity for private training at the end of each session in which you can then obtain a certificate. Certificates will not be issued for those just simply wishing to attend without the private training.

If all goes to plan, the first session at 3pm will last around 45 minutes and we will then allow a further half hour for private training. The next session will then commence around 4.15pm with, hopefully, the same time frame developing and the same for the 5.30pm class taking us up to 7.00pm.

If of course these classes spark a lot of interest then it may be that we will have to host another session in the Autumn with the charity, if they can fit us in that is.

As you know the Community Centre is widely used each month for events such as bingos, children's/adults parties, zumba, rainbows and guides, and meetings to name but a few. It is therefore down to you, the public, to view whether or not you deem CPR and defibrillator training to be worth an hour or so of your time particularly when there is a machine there in case of emergency. Had we have had such access all those years ago to these machines then the lives of two men may well have been saved. But who knows. It really is a case of "Do **you** want to be able to learn how to try and save someone's life?" As a community we should at least be ready, willing and able to assist in some way.

I have maintained throughout this little venture that, in having these machines installed at both the Community Centre and the School, it gives those needing life saving assistance a better chance of survival should they be unfortunate to suffer a cardiac arrest. Something else I have always maintained throughout - why have these machines installed if you don't even know how to turn them on?!

There is no charge for the sessions. They are free. However, if you do feel you want to make a donation to the Charity for their dedication and continuing hard work, then you will be able to do so on the day. I'm sure they would be most grateful. Contact details folks are on the poster - check it out. ***I would however very kindly ask the public not to just turn up without booking a place first. Many thanks.***

Kind regards,

**LOUISE HOYLE FENNELL**

## CARNIVAL

"UNLUCKY FOR SOME..."

"LEGS ELEVEN..."

"TWO LITTLE DUCKS..."

## LEESWOOD CARNIVAL COMMITTEE

*invite the Community to their*

### EASTER PRIZE

# BINGO

*to be held at*

LEESWOOD COMMUNITY CENTRE  
WEDNESDAY 10TH APRIL 2019

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

PLEASE CONTINUE TO SUPPORT US  
AND WE'LL KEEP BRINGING YOU THE CARNIVAL

## CARNIVAL

## LEESWOOD CARNIVAL COMMITTEE

Invite the community to a  
"FAMILY NIGHT"  
at

LEESWOOD COMMUNITY CENTRE

on

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2019  
7.00pm to midnight

Admission: Adults £2.00 / Children Free

Raffle Prizes

*With tunes from the 70's, 80's, 90's  
up to present day.*

LICENSED BAR OPEN  
HOT DOGS = POP = CRISPS

*The Carnival Committee would be extremely grateful for your  
support as a Community  
to make this 2019 Carnival a success*



## MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

**YOU ARE INVITED TO ATTEND FURTHER**

**CPR & DEFIBRILLATOR TRAINING at**

**LEESWOOD COMMUNITY CENTRE on**

**SATURDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2019 from 3PM**

**ONWARDS**

**HOSTED BY “WELSH HEARTS” (RCN. 1154109)**

Around 12 young people die each week due to undiagnosed heart conditions.

There is just a 3% survival rate out of 8,000 sudden cardiac arrests that occur beyond hospitals in Wales alone.

A defibrillator however can increase someone's survival rate by 50%!

So what if you were the person lying on the floor, needing that life-saving assistance, your life slipping away?

***AM I GETTING THROUGH? THAT AMBULANCE THEY CALLED ISN'T!***

***Please do your best to attend - a life could depend on it - your life could depend on it!***

The centre is booked until 7pm - there will be three, one hour sessions with an option for private training at the end of each session. For more information and to book a place, text Louise Hoyle Fennell on 07787 856056 or ring after 6pm weekdays.

You can also find me on Facebook under Louise Fennell and send a message.

(The training sessions are free and, if you require private training at the end of your session, you will then be provided