

# Treuddyn Community News Newyddion

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## Diary of Events

For availability for Hafan Deg Association trips	Please contact	Mair Williams 01352 771442 or Mair Ellis 01352 771424	First come, first serve basis <i>Limited spaces to non members at £10</i>
2 <sup>nd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month	Knit and Natter	Hafan Deg	7- 8.30pm £2 All welcome We are looking for new members.
Thursdays 1pm	Terrig Art Group	Treuddyn Village Hall	Vacancies for new starters
Tuesdays 8 pm	Dragons Breath Folk Group	Treuddyn Village Hall	£2 Performers and visitors welcome
3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of every month	County Councillor's Surgery	Hafan Deg	Between 5pm and 6:30pm

## GRIFFITHS ROBERTS CHARITY

Are you under 25? Do you live in Treuddyn? Are you in any sort of education programme – music lessons, apprenticeship, college, university or similar? We have a small amount of money to distribute every April and October. So why not apply?

For further information, please contact **Mair Williams, Roslyn, Ffordd Y Llan, Treuddyn, CH7 4LN. Telephone 01352 771442**

## **CANCER RESEARCH UK LOCAL COMMITTEE.**

It is with regret that we announce that the local committee of CRUK has been disbanded. Several appeals to recruit new committee members have failed, making fund raising extremely difficult. 2024 is the 60th anniversary of the committee and during that time the amazing sum of over £188,000. has been raised for cancer research by the local committee. This could not have been achieved without the wonderful support of the Treuddyn and Leeswood communities and we thank you most sincerely for that support. Please continue to support CRUK in any way that you can.

The Chairman and local committee CRUK.

## **HAFAN DEG ASSOCIATION.**

The Association have had a very successful half year.

The AGM was held in April when officials and committee were elected  
In May

a musical evening with entertainment by Alf Gladman was thoroughly enjoyed.

In June, July, August and September very successful outings to Oswestry Sculpture Park, Llanberres and Llandudno, Albert Dock and Southport took place. In October a shortened Harvest service was held when a representative from Nightingale House Hospice gave a talk on the work of the Hospice.

A collection raised the sum of £200 for Nightingale House members ended the afternoon enjoying a Harvest buffet.

On 20 November there will be an open Bingo night (all welcome) Eyes down 7.30pm.

On December 18th the members Christmas lunch at Beaufort Park Hotel will commence at 1pm. Coach will leave at 12 noon.

In January Any Questions will be held at 2pm Let the secretary have your questions by the beginning of January. In February there will be a chocolate making demonstration (with samples!) at 2pm. In March (soup and Welsh cakes) entertainment by local school children 2pm.

April AGM at 7pm.

## CYNGOR CYMUNED TREUDDYN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Draft Minutes of the Meeting held Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> September 2024 at Hafan Deg Community Centre, Treuddyn for 7.00pm

CHAIRMAN: Cllr. A. Marshall

PRESENT: Cllrs. J. Smith, R. Cracknell, C. Hughes, E. Bech, C. Metcalf, B. Jones & C. Swan

1. APOLOGIES: All members present

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Public session from 6.50pm to 7.00pm

Two members of the public present who have expressed an interest in the Council vacancies.

The Chair opened the public session

There were no matters raised of concern by the public present.

2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

None declared.

3. TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING – 16

July 2024

That the minutes be approved and accepted as a true and correct record.

Proposed: Cllr. J. Smith Seconded: Cllr. C. Swan

Carried

3a. Matters arising from the minutes

Item 8 – Play Areas. The new sign for the 'Small Wheel play area to be emailed to members once the design has been finalised.

4. CCTV QUEEN STREET PLAYING FIELD – TREUDDYN

Update on the consultation period and the Installation of the CCTV camera. Information had been published on TCC Website and Treuddyn Community Face book page inviting

comments from the community.

The Clerk reported there had been positive feedback in favour for the permanent installation of the CCTV

camera. Several emails received by the clerk thanking TCC for the hard work that has gone into this

project with a positive outcome (shared with members this evening)

No negative comments had been received.

Members were pleased with the response from the community the CCTV camera has been installed.

5. TREUDDYN C.C TRAINING PLAN

In accordance with Section 67 of the 2021 Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act.

To discuss the training offered by OVW (One Voice Wales) and note which councillors have attended training modules to date.

The Clerk to send out the new diary of training modules offered by OVW from September to December

2024 to all members.

✓ Cllr. E. Bech had a training module cancelled due to low numbers.

✓ Cllr. J. Smith experienced connection issues whilst on a training module which she couldn't complete.

✓ Cllr. R. Cracknell has completed 'Local Government Finance' - Module 6 on 22/05/2024

✓ Clerk (C. Thomas) attended the 'Councillor Induction from a Clerk's perspective in Wales Day 2 on 01/08/2024.

## 6. REMEMBRANCE SERVICE Sunday 10<sup>th</sup>

November 2024 - to discuss arrangements.

✓ Cllr. C. Hughes to confirm if the new vicar the Reverend Jeanette Wilkes will take the service

depending on availability or it may possibly be a Lay Preacher who will take the service.

✓ Cllr. B. Jones to contact Deeside Silver Band to confirm they are available to attend.

✓ Readings: Welsh - Cllr. A. Marshall English: Cllr. C. Hughes

✓ Reading of names from the War Memorial - to be confirmed.

✓ Clerk to order seven Remembrance Wreaths.

To update arrangements in the October meeting.

## 7. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

None received to date.

## 8. PLAY AREAS - Treuddyn & Coed-Talon

a) Coed-Talon - The damaged fencing running alongside the bridleway has not been repaired. FCC Street

scene have done a temporary repair. Secure fencing needs to be put up.

b) Treuddyn - New signs for the BMX Track and the Small Wheels area are in the final stages of being completed.

c) POD - There will be no changes made to the sides of the Pod.

d) Damage to Muga fencing - this has been repaired by Flintshire Fabrications Ltd

d) Small stone path leading onto Small Wheels area. A quotation received of £1,250.00 to concrete the path.

It was agreed to obtain another quote.

## 9. VILLAGE NOTICE BOARDS

Update on order.

Notice boards have been ordered for the following locations.

1. Mynydd Du - Single Bay

2. Queen Street - Two Bay

3. Coed-Talon - Two Bay

Delivery time is approximately seven weeks - delivery should be around the middle of October.

## 10. MONTHLY ACTION PLAN

Matters raised with FCC Streetscene were discussed and updated.

1. Nercwys Junction meeting the A5104 - Potholes have been infilled.

2. Llan Cottages - Broken kerb has been repaired.

3. Ffordd y Felin - Report of nasty potholes either end.

4. Request for pavement to be urgently cleaned back and swept from Beehive cottage to the Llanfynydd Junction.

Cllr. A. Marshall had a drive around with Mr Ian Willaims FCC Streetscene Area Supervisor noting areas that require attention e.g. Blocked ditches, potholes and general highway issues.

Cllr. A. Marshall also informed members that roads and potholes that require attention can also be reported on 'Stan the App' (safer travel around neighbourhoods) Issues can be recorded on your phone and put onto the App..

The app also gives you access to see what is happening to roads in the country.

## 11. TREUDDYN CEMETERY

a) Update from the working party during the Summer recess re: clearing of vegetation.

Three sessions were held through the Summer clearing a lot of vegetation, it is looking a lot better. It was agreed another session would be good before the winter.

b) Weedkiller would tidy the area as you go through the small gate and around the entrance.

Ashtree

The tree inspector has had another look at the Ash tree by the gate, sadly it is suffering with die back.

Given its location and possible impact if it were to fall FCC have decided to take it down.

A date has not been given as other Ash trees need to be taken down in Buckley Cemetery.

It has been requested when FCC take the tree down if they can leave the bottom of the tree the same height as the hedge otherwise a massive hole will be left

## 12. CORRESPONDENCE

1. Ysgol Parc y Llan - Letter from the Headteacher Re: Breakfast Club.

The contents of the letter was discussed, members had questions they would like to put forward before consideration is given to the request.

It was agreed to invite the Headteacher to the October meeting.

2. Fit, Fed & Read - Aura Summer Provision / Treuddyn

Five sessions were held over the Summer holidays at Treuddyn play area with 530 people attending.

The sessions were very popular and enjoyed by the families.

It was proposed by Cllr. C. Swan to book the event for Summer 2025

Seconded: Cllr. J. Smith

All in favour - Carried.

3. A letter from a resident who has just moved to the area sent to Cllr. A. Marshall.

Concerns as you turn into Maes Glas - the junction where you need to stop and look both ways there are cars always parked on the junction making visibility of oncoming traffic difficult. Also, vehicles coming

into Maes Glas and turning around in Glasdir – a sign stating ‘No through Road’ would be helpful.

The signage for ‘Glasdir’ has worn away and is not very clear.

Cllr. A. Marshall is addressing the matters raised.

Action: The Clerk to contact the PCSO’s who cover our area to walk around the village taking note of matters that have been raised by TCC and residents.

4. Letter from Wrexham CC Go-Ride asking TCC’s permission to use the BMX Track for coaching on the

5<sup>th</sup> October – usual notices and social media awareness. Permission given.

6. FCC – Two training sessions for Town and Community Councillors have been planned and will be held

virtually on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> and Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October at 6pm

Councillors only attend one of the dates of preference.

The training will be aimed at both new and existing councillors and will cover The Code of Conduct.

The training will be held virtually via Zoom.

The Clerk to send the training dates out to members.

7. Standards Committee – Joint meeting with Town and Community Councils Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November.

The meeting will be held virtually via Zoom.

There will be a 30-minute training session beforehand which will commence at 6pm. The meeting will

follow immediately afterwards and will last approximately 2 hours ending at 8.30pm.

The topic for the training will be “When is a prejudicial interest not a prejudicial interest?” It will focus on

the important exemptions within the code that prevent a personal interest becoming a personal and

prejudicial interest.

Please inform the Clerk if you would like to attend this training session and meeting.

Chair .....15.10.2024

After our October meeting Treuddyn ||Community Council welcomes 3 new members, Edward Swan, Vicky Speed and Edward Morgan.

### \*\*\*\*IMPORTANT NOTICES\*\*\*\*

We have Defibulator Stations with 24 hour access placed at the entrance to the schools and Hafan Deg.

#### TREUDDYN MOBILE POST OFFICE

Ffordd yn Rhos,Treuddyn CH7 4NJ 01352 733223

Opening hours Monday 10.15-11 Thursday 13.45-14.30

Deadline for copy for the Spring 2025 edition is 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025 by email to [evabech@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:evabech@yahoo.co.uk) or call me on 07425 169014. Thanks a lot Eva

# St Mary's Church Treuddyn



All are welcome at our services each Sunday at 9:30. 1st and 2nd Sunday of the month Holy Communion, 3rd Sunday Morning Worship and 4th Sunday Informal.

## All Age Worship

The Rev Jeanette Wilkes is our Priest in Charge of St Mary's Church Treuddyn, Christ Church Pontblyddyn and St James Church, New Brighton and she can be contacted on:

JeanetteWilkes@churcheinwales.org.uk

Tel: 01352 960239

The Church is open every day between 10am and 3pm for private prayer.

We have various events coming up

Christmas Carols with the BT Big Band - Sunday 15th December at 3:30pm

Christmas Eve Crib service – Tuesday 24th December at 4pm

Christmas Day Holy Communion – Wednesday 25th December 8:45am

Grand New Year Draw Saturday 11th January 10 -12

Hafan Deg St Mary's Church will be celebrating its 150 year anniversary in 2025

## Churchwardens

Susan Hellen 01352 771 876 Eddie Dewe 01352 771571

## Treuddyn Garden Party



The Treuddyn Garden Party was held on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> August 2024 at Yr Vyrnwy by kind permission of Dewi and Kelly Evans. Despite high winds and rain a couple of days beforehand the afternoon itself was dry and sunny.

Various village groups and local business took part, each raising awareness or funds for themselves including Forest School, Wingnut Creations in willow, Terrig Art group,



weaved items, Jewellery, Castle Crafts, art and local veg. There was a bouncy castle and hook a duck on the lawn. St Mary's Church ran the refreshments, raffle and games and raising £1,448 for their funds. The wine tombola raised £100 which this year was given to the local charity, Riding for the Disabled Association in Llanfynydd.



The Lemon Drizzle Cake competition had seven entrants all looking delicious.

This is a biennial event so look out for the next one in August 2026!



(St Mary's Church, Treuddyn)

# Capel Ebeneser, Treuddyn

Hydref 2024 - Rhagfyr 2024

Hoffem ddiolch yn fawr iawn i'r rhai a'n cefnogodd ar brynhawn Sadwrn, Hydref 12fed

pan wnaethom gynnal Prynhawn Paned a Chacen yn Hafan Deg. Braf oedd cael gweld

ffrindiau hen a newydd.

Anfonwn ein llongyfarchiadau a dymuniadau gorau i Maldwyn Roberts ar ddathliad ei

ben-blwydd yn 80 oed yn ddiweddar. Da yw deall hefyd bod Maldwyn yn gwella'n ara'

deg.

Ar hyn o bryd mae Capel Ebeneser yn mynd trwy raglen o atgyweirio. Rydym yn ailosod

rhan o'r llawr ochr yr organ o'r capel a hefyd tynnu'r byrddau 'dado' oddi ar y wal yr un

ochr. Mae system gwresogi newydd wedi cael ei osod i gymryd lle'r ddau hen foelar.

Rydym yn gobeithio bydd y gwaith wedi'i gwblhau o fewn yr wythnosau nesaf. Yn ystod

y cyfnod yma, cynhelir y gwasanaethau yn y festri.

Gyda'r awr yn newid diwedd mis Hydref bydd amser ein gwasanaethau yn newid i'r

prynhawn. Byddwn yn cynnal gwasanaethau dwyieithog ar Hydref 27ain am 2.30yp pan

fydd y Diacon Lisa Rathbone yng ngofal y gwasanaeth, ac ar yr 8fed o Ragfyr bydd Mrs

Sian Williams gyda ni. Estynnwn groeso cynnes iawn i bawb ymuno â ni yn y gwasanaethau dwyieithog hyn.

Cynhelir ein Gwasanaeth Carolau dwyieithog eleni ar yr 22ain o Ragfyr am 2.30yp dan

ofal ein gweinidog y Parch Eirlys Gruffydd Evans. Unwaith eto bydd plant Clwb Capel

Ebeneser yn cymryd rhan yn y gwasanaeth. Bydd lluniaeth ysgafn ar gael yn dilyn y

gwasanaeth. Croeso cynnes i bawb.

Dymunwn Nadolig Dedwydd a Blwyddyn Newydd Dda i bawb.

Gwasanaethau Hydref - Rhagfyr 2024 (amser fel y nodir)

Hydref 27ain Diacon Lisa Rathbone am 2.30yp (English Address)

Tachwedd 3ydd Parch Eirlys Gruffydd Evans am 2.30yp Cymun

Tachwedd 10fed

Tachwedd 17eg Parch Marc Morgan am 4yp

Tachwedd 24ain Parch Eirlys Gruffydd Evans am 2.30yp

Rhagfyr 1af Parch Ddr Jennie Hurd am 4yp Cymun

Rhagfyr 8fed Mrs Sian Williams am 2.30yp (English Address)

Rhagfyr 15fed Mrs Ceinwen Parry am 2.30yp

Rhagfyr 22ain GWASANAETH CAROLAU - Parch Eirlys Gruffydd Evans am 2.30yp English Address

# Capel Ebeneser, Treuddyn

October 2024 – December 2024

We would very much like to thank everyone who supported us on Saturday, October 12th. Then we held an Afternoon Tea and Cake at Hafan Deg. It was a pleasure to see

friends, old and new, once again.

We send our warmest wishes and congratulations to Maldwyn Roberts who celebrated his 80th birthday recently. We are also happy to learn that Maldwyn is slowly getting better.

Ebeneser is currently going through a renovation programme. We are replacing part of the floor on the organ side of the chapel and have removed the dado boards from the same side. A new heating system has been installed to replace the two old boilers previously used. We believe the work will be completed within the next few weeks. During this period, services will be held in the vestry.

British Summertime ends at the end of October and our services will move to the afternoon during this period. We will be holding bilingual services on the 27

th

October at

2.30pm when Deacon Lisa Rathbone will be with us and also on 8

th

December when

Mrs Sian Williams will be taking the service. A warm welcome is extended to all to join us in these bilingual services.

This year's bilingual Carol Service will take place on December 22

nd

at 2.30pm with our

minister the Rev. Eirlys Gruffydd Evans. Also, like last year, the children of Ebeneser Chapel Club will be taking part in the service. Light refreshments will be available following the service. We extend a warm welcome to all to join us at this joyous time.

We wish everyone a Blessed Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Services for October - December 2024 (time as stated and in Welsh unless noted otherwise)

October 27th Deacon Lisa Rathbone at 2.30pm (English Address)

November 3rd Rev Eirlys Gruffydd Evans at 2.30pm Communion

November 10th

November 17th Rev Marc Morgan at 4pm

November 24th Rev Eirlys Gruffydd Evans at 2.30pm

December 1st Rev Dr Jennie Hurd at 4pm Communion

December 8th Mrs Sian Williams at 2.30pm (English Address)

December 15th Mrs Ceinwen Parry at 2.30pm

December 22nd CAROL SERVICE - Rev Eirlys Gruffydd Evans at 2.30pm

Bilingual service with English Address

**Glenys Davies**



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# Treuddyn Community Council Annual Beautiful Garden Competition

## Congratulations to the winners

1st Prize £50  
Thornfield, Clare Peers  
Beautiful sloping garden, perfectly maintained.

Runners up £25 each  
Linda Webb, Glendale  
lovely corner garden, manidured with stunning hanging baskets

Doreen Parry, Ffordd Y Rhos  
So many pots and beautiful lights in the evenings, changes every year



# LT7 A Timetable

## Inbound

Leeswood (King Street/Church) 8.20 Temporary Stop

Treuddyn, Ffordd Y Llan (all stops) 8.30 10.35 12.47 15.25

Treuddyn Ffordd y Rhos (all stops) 8.32 10.37 12.49 15.27

Nercwys Ffordd Nercwys (all stops) 8.35 10.40 12.51 15.29

Nercwys Ffordd Pentre (all stops) 8.37 10.42 12.53 15.31

Mold Wrexham Street 8.43 10.48 12.58 15.36

Mold Bus Station (Stand 6) 8.45 10.50 13.00 15.38

## Outbound

Mold Bus Station (Stand 6) 10.15 12.32 15.06 17.15 N.S

Mold Wrexham Street 10.17 12.34 15.08 17.17

Nercwys Ffordd Pentre 10.22 12.39 15.13 17.22

Nercwys Ffordd Nercwys 10.24 12.43 15.15 17.24

Treuddyn Ffordd Nercwys 10.27 12.46 15.18 17.27

Treuddyn Ffordd y Llan 10.29 12.48 15.20 17.29

N.S - Not Saturday



**Cllr Allan Marshall**

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Hello, this is my opportunity to update you on what I have been doing around the ward and what is happening in the Council recently.

**FTTP Broadband.** You will have seen a lot of activity around the village by BT Openreach putting in new poles, running fibre cables and splicing (jointing) the individual fibres at the poles and in cable chambers. This is preparatory work for the Ultrafast Fibre to the Premises (FTTP) network being delivered in 2024-2025.

Availability of Ultrafast Fibre can be checked at <https://www.openreach.com/fibre-checker>. You can also get updates and register an interest in getting the service.

**Surgeries.** To date, I have been made aware of resident's issues and concerns by telephone, Facebook Messenger and by email.

I now hold Surgeries in Hafan Deg Community Centre between 17:00 and 18:30 on the third Tuesday of each month. This is just before Treuddyn Community Council meets each month at 19:00, so may be convenient for anything that may need the Community Council's attention.

I am a frequent visitor to the Hafan Deg Coffee Mornings between 11:00 and 13:00 each Monday. The Council's Accommodation Support and Housing Officers occasionally visit as well.

I also have a small stock of recycling containers at Hafan Deg that can be collected by those unable to get them from the Mold Connects Centre in the Library or from the Household Recycling Centre. Please call or Whatsapp me on 07881 932520 to make an appointment.

**Flooding.** Lack of maintenance, particularly of ditches and culverts and drainage, is still causing flooding issues during heavy downpours and the storms now more frequent due to climate change.

In the past few weeks, I have taken the Streetscene Supervisor on yet another tour of the problematic areas to record my concerns about the state of culverts that are causing localised flooding and overgrown footpaths from Treuddyn to Coed Talon that are causing obstructions and safety hazards. I have done an analysis of the culverts at Llanfynydd Road Traffic Lights and have submitted it to the Flood Officer for consideration.

I am advised that some drainage repair works are being scheduled for the areas around both chapels on Ffordd y Rhos to relieve the blockages in the pipework that cause water levels to rise. Plans are also being developed to provide an alternative route for water arriving at the Nercwys Road junction to take it directly to Byr Brook at Corwen Road thereby reducing the amount of water flowing along the very long route through the village.

I am liaising with the Streetscene Supervisor to identify troublesome gulleys and culverts and scheduling their being cleared.

Recently, Streetscene cleared the ditches and culverts down the hill running from Cae Hic to Car Hic Bach to stop the water emerging out of the ditch and running down the hill and spoiling silage bails. I was told that around 12 tonnes of material, that had accumulated over many years, was removed.



I was alerted to some flooding issues in Ffordd y Bont, Pontybodkin in mid-October and found several gully

lids blocked solid with leaves causing water to flow over them and causing flooding in adjacent gardens.

There are two hidden blocked gulleys in this photo. I managed to find them, clear the leaves, and the water receded, saving the grateful neighbour's house from being flooded.

I did identify some gulleys where water was flowing out of them indicating a blocked pipe downstream of it. I have notified Streetscene that the whole area needs gully cleaning and jetting. Similarly, the road going up to Treuddyn needs urgent attention.

If, if on your walks around the area, you see some gulleys that are covered in leaves or are full of water please take a photo and send it to me, together with a note of its location.

I intend providing details of local issues on the <https://www.treuddyn.org> website.

**Waste Recycling.** In July 2024 the Council Cabinet agreed to move to a 3-weekly black bin collection frequency to reduce costs of collecting and to also motivate residents to increase recycling. This was despite being 'called-in' twice by other Councillors disputing the decision.

At the Environment & Economy Call-in Meeting held on 30 July 2024 I questioned the basis of the proposals to reduce the collection frequency based on an all-Wales Compositional Analysis of black bins which stated that, on average, black bins contain 30% food waste that should be recycled separately.

I considered the 30% figure was far too high, but the Officers maintained that the report was correct. I voted against the 3-weekly collection, but the motion was carried due to the Chair's casting vote.

Following that meeting I decided to do my own quick survey of parts of Treuddyn village by driving around between 06:30 and 07:00 on collection day. The objective was to count the number of properties that did not have a green food waste bin outside with the black bin and recycling bags.

I drove past around 250 homes and surprisingly counted 105 homes without the large green food waste bins. This equates to around 40% of homes not putting out food bins on that day. I was disappointed because this level supports the conclusions of the Compositional Analysis Report.

I appreciate that some residents may be composting vegetable peelings and may have other reasons for not putting the bins out.

In August I organised a session with FCC waste management officers at Hafan Deg Community Centre where recycling containers and leaflets were handed out to those residents that attended.

Since then, I have given internal grey caddies and large external green containers and biodegradable food bags to other residents that said they did not have containers because the property did not have some when they moved in.

Recycling containers, bins and sacks can be ordered online or from Streetscene on 01352 701234, or at Connects Centre at Mold Library or from the Mold Household Recycling Centre, or Hafan Deg Community Centre.

The contents of black bins are taken to Parc Adfer for incineration and to generate electricity. The contents of the food bins are taken to a biodigester site where the food (including bones) is liquidised, enzymes are added so that it generates methane for generating electricity. The waste is used for fertiliser. The costs for doing this is less than taking it to Parc Adfer.

The Council is facing over £1 million infraction charges for not recycling enough. The council's performance is largely dependent upon what we as residents put in our bins.

The infraction charges would need to be paid for by increasing Council Tax by around 1%.

A Special Flintshire County Council Meeting was called for 24 October 2024 to debate the 3-weekly collections in Full Council. I again voted against 3 or 4 weekly collections, and based upon my recent quick survey, proposed that more recycling materials are made available locally to those that cannot access the Mold HRC or Connects Centres or wait for Streetscene to answer the telephone.

I thank the vast majority of residents that recycle everything they can and those that will contact me to ask for the food containers if they currently don't have them so Treuddyn ward can increase its recycling targets.

The proposal to introduce an online booking system for all visits to the Household Recycling Centres (HRC) online booking proposals have been withdrawn. That is welcome news to everybody.

**Budget 2025-2026.** The last six months of the council's financial year are spent preparing for setting the following year's budget. Predictions of Welsh Government grants, and each service's expenditure are used to identify the gap in the finances and the Officers then must identify where 'efficiencies' can be made in the services provided. Increased energy, pay awards, inflation, and other costs are making it difficult to reach a 'legal and balanced budget'.

The services costing the most are Social and Health, and Education. The grant income and costs are outside the Council's Control. The Council is forced to choose which services to cut and how much the Council Tax needs to increase by to achieve the balanced budget. Regrettably, the Council had to increase by 9% last year. We have been advised that the Welsh Government grants increases will be reduced again next year so that will inevitably lead to more cuts and Council Tax increases. The Welsh Government says that the grants received from the UK Government are reducing.

This year there is a predicted £38 million shortfall in the budget. My colleagues tell me that this is the worst they have ever experienced so cutbacks on certain services are inevitable to avoid a Section 114 (bankruptcy) notice being issued.

Like many other Councillors and Council Officers, I had hoped to be working towards improving services for all residents. None of us are happy with having to cut services every year.

**Changes to the Council Administration.** Cllr Dave Hughes, of neighbouring Llanfynydd Ward, was elected as the new Leader of the Council in September 2024.

Due to the severe financial problems the Council is facing, he has taken the opportunity to re-organise the Administration and has formed an unprecedented 'Hybrid Cabinet' comprising of two members of my Independent Group and two members of the 'Eagles Independent Group to bring in additional expertise and experience from other groups. Another past member of our group has become Streetscene Cabinet Member.

I have a good working relationship with all these Members so look forward to working with them in their new roles.



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During the Summer recess, I attended agricultural shows and met with farming unions, as well as environmental bodies to discuss concerns with the new Sustainable Farming Scheme. I've been feeding concerns back to the Ministerial team at Welsh Government. I've also spent the summer continuing to campaign for better protections for pets, particularly in the private rented sector. Cat and dog rescue centres across Wales are becoming overwhelmed, with many full and having to operate waiting lists. I would encourage anyone who is considering getting a pet to consider adopting or fostering. Fostering is a great alternative for those who may worry about managing full-time, with rescue centres providing food and covering vets bills for fostered pets. There are several rescues in the area if you'd like to learn more about adopting or fostering, such as Almost Home Dog Rescue in Nercwys, and Cats Protection in Wrexham. My son Harry ran the Chester marathon to raise funds for Almost Home dog rescue in memory of his brother Ben. He raised £1200, thank you to everyone who donated.

In the Senedd, I now sit on three Committees and chair two Cross-Party Groups (Animal Welfare and Public Transport). Much of the real work of the Senedd is done at these committees, with lots of cross-party work carrying out inquiries into a range of issues such as housing, animal welfare, and public transport, as well as scrutinising legislation from the Welsh Government. The clips of politicians and political parties arguing in the chamber is a small fraction of what goes on, but often gets the most attention! On public transport, there have been big improvements in rail services, with announcements of a 40% increase in rail capacity and a 50% increase in timetabled services. On the Wrexham to Bidston line, this has already resulted in a 27% increase in passenger numbers – giving people confidence to travel by creating reliable and regular services. On buses, we are expecting the much-anticipated Bus Bill to pass through the Senedd into legislation next year, giving communities far more involvement in running bus services, whilst providing the opportunity for local authorities to run bus routes in the interests of local people, I have continued to campaign to protect buses. I've been working with the First Minister Eluned Morgan and Cabinet Secretary Ken Skates, regarding devolving highway and transport grant funding to councils so they can prioritise highway and pavement maintenance, safer routes or Active Travel schemes and there should be more funding available that way. I was pleased the First Minister has included fixing roads as one of her priorities. I had the opportunity to speak informally with the Prime Minister and raised the importance of investing in public services again following over a decade of cuts and massive inflationary pressures. 90% of Welsh Government's budget is spent on public services, just over half on health, the next largest is on Local Government. The budget is worth £700m less than when it was set by the UK

Government in 2021. Flintshire County Council has now published the initial list of roads which it is considering reverting back to 30 mph. The list includes the A541 through Cefn-y-Bedd and Pontblyddyn, as well as the A5104 from Pontybodkin to Coed Talon.

I have continued to make representations regarding the B5101 by the Clwyd Riding for Disabled, where there is a blind summit to be reduced to 20 mph extending from the bridleway to the village. The recent spate of bad weather has brought with it flooding which I know has impacted the area. It is vitally important that landowners maintain culverts and ditches on their land under riparian ownership to prevent flooding onto the highway, overloading public surface and foul drainage systems, and flooding properties. It isn't the local authorities' responsibility to clear them, but they do have the power to take enforcement action against landowners who aren't maintaining culverts and ditches on their land.

Flintshire County Council has recently made the decision to move to three weekly collections for black bins in a bid to increase recycling rates across the county. 80% of the waste collected stays in Wales and material is reused by many businesses across the region. Food waste, which is the recyclable waste which is most often incorrectly placed in black bins, goes to an anaerobic digester in St. Asaph where it is used to create electricity and liquid fertiliser.

## Mark Isherwood MS

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or call 0300 200 7219



It is hardly surprising it has received so much kickback when you consider that the Welsh Government's own Explanatory Memorandum to The Restricted Roads (20 mph Speed Limit) (Wales) Order 2022 identified an economic dis-benefit of up to £8.9 billion arising from longer journey times associated with the default 20mph speed limit policy, and the former Deputy Minister for Transport's comments that 'more common sense' should have been used when implementing his 20mph speed limit.

Back in June, I raised concern in the Senedd that the first Comparable data on the default 20mph limit showed it is not reduced. On Sunday September 17th 2023 Wales became the first UK nation to adopt 20mph as the default speed limit on restricted roads, which means it has been in place now for just over a year.

The speed limit applies for all restricted roads, which are defined as ones with lampposts placed not more than 200 yards (about 180m) apart. If you are pulled over doing more than 20mph in a built-up area in Wales you could, in theory, be fined a minimum of £100 and get three penalty points.

To say that the 20mph speed limit has been unpopular would be an understatement. 469,571 people signed the Senedd petition: 'We want the Welsh Government to rescind and remove the disastrous 20mph law' (the largest petition in the Senedd's history,) and Welsh local authorities have received requests for thousands of roads to revert from 20mph to 30mph.cing road casualties.

Although the Welsh Government has called figures showing a 17% fall in people killed or seriously injured on 20mph and 30mph roads in the first six months after the limit was introduced "encouraging", they fail to mention that the number killed or seriously injured on 20 mph roads had risen from 4 per cent to 34 per cent of the total, whilst the number on 30 mph roads had fallen from 47 per cent to just 6 per cent of the total, or that the overall number of people killed or seriously injured on our roads is up 10%.

Before the 20mph limit came into force, I warned, switching 30mph limits to 20mph limits would transfer the share of road casualties from one to the other, whilst also displacing drivers and therefore road casualties onto the wider road network, and this data demonstrates that this is happening.

Meanwhile, the Transport for Wales' air quality monitoring report has shown that half of tested areas saw rises in nitrogen dioxide levels inside 20mph zones, and the new speed limit is clearly failing in its aim to get more people out of their cars with an Audit Wales report revealing this month that the Active Travel Fund has seen a significant rise in expenditure (the Welsh Government allocated £65m to active travel initiatives this year alone), yet the desired increase in active travel rates remains unachieved.

Instead of forcing people out of their cars for impractical journeys, like they have attempted to do with their 20mph speed limit policy, the Welsh Government must encourage people to walk and cycle manageable and safe routes.

The Labour Welsh Government have now admitted on countless occasions after listening exercises that their 20mph policy is unpopular, but they refuse to end it.

The Welsh Conservatives have been clear; we will scrap 20mph and instead roll out a targeted approach in sensitive areas that reflects local people's wishes.

## SCHOOL NEWS



Our school recently had a very successful Estyn inspection. The inspection team gave high praise to many things about us, especially outdoor learning and well-being.

Estyn stated:

*'At breaktimes and lunchtimes, most pupils engage well with others and good behaviour is encouraged using 'loose parts play' activities, which allows pupils of all ages to play together positively. This is an **outstanding** feature of the school'.*

*'Staff make purposeful use of facilities such as the school's various safe places, such as 'Y Cwtch', 'The Magical Room' and its extensive grounds, to promote pupils' physical and emotional well-being highly effectively. This is an **outstanding** feature of the school'.*

*'The school's provision for pupils to participate in making decisions to improve their experiences at school is highly effective. It is having an **exceptional** impact on the pupils' ability to make positive decisions about their own well-being, learning and enjoyment in school life'.*

Estyn have invited the school to prepare a case study on its work in relation to effective provision and approaches to support pupils' well-being and engagement for them to fully benefit from authentic and engaging learning experiences, and establishing productive working relationships with parents and the wider school community to improve opportunities and outcomes for all pupils, for dissemination on Estyn's website. The full report can also be seen on the Estyn website.

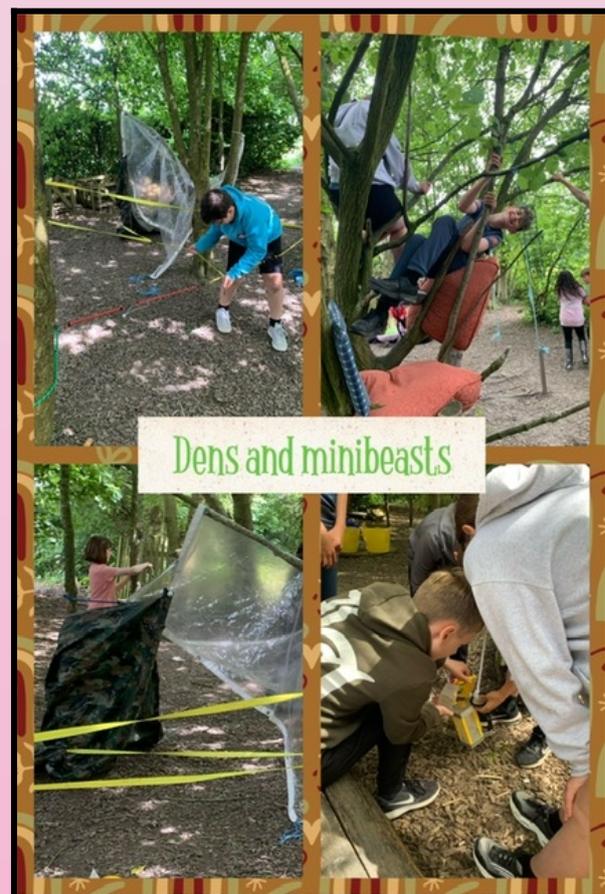
We'd like to thank and congratulate the children, staff, parents and the Governing Body for all their hard work and support.



Our children love the Forest sessions and it's an integral part of their schooling and we hope that they take the skills that they have learnt with them for the next stage of their journey, as well as a love for all natural world has to offer. It is their chance to free, take risks, to push boundaries, to explore and to become ambitious and capable learners all ways possible. The saying is true – 'The best classroom is roofed only by blue sky'.



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Our Summer Fayre was a huge success. Our families enjoyed stalls, a bouncy castle, an inflatable assault course, food and of course throwing sponges at poor Mr. Ashford!!!

A huge thanks for all your support we raised £635.00!!

This will help Friends of the School continue to support the school and pupils.



### TREUDDYN TODAY!!

The members of our Expressive Arts Club which takes place each week, decided to organise a concert for the parents. There was plenty of singing, drama, laughter and even gymnastics!! It was an opportunity for children to showcase what confidence can do to someone. It was a brilliant

event and a big well done to everyone who performed!



Miss Smithers, Miss Sahin and our superstars did a fantastic job.



### **Dodgeball Tournament**

Our school Dodgeball Team took part in Castell Alun Feeder Schools Tournament. The team were very competitive, winning five games, and lost two. As always, their sportsmanship was excellent and they made the school very proud indeed.



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### **Parc y Llan Perfumes!**

As part of our 'Bonjour France' topic, Dosbarth Ceirios have been inspired by the French Fashion designer Coco Chanel. They decided to make their own perfumes using natural ingredients and recording what they did. They smelt divine!!



For regular updates about school news check out our Facebook page or visit our school website: [www.ysgolparcyllan.com](http://www.ysgolparcyllan.com)



## Ffrindiau Terrig PTA Directory

**Our PTA are have set up and are looking to expand a business directory to support local and small businesses.**

If you own or run a business, work for a company or have any friends or relatives who do, please get in touch. For a donation of £5\*, we will include your advert in our directory. This directory will be shared with the families of Ysgol Terrig and local social media groups.

**ABOUT US**  
Ffrindiau Terrig PTA was set up in 2023 and is run by volunteers-parents and teachers of Ysgol Terrig, Treuddyn. This year, we are raising money to pay for equipment to enhance the learning of the children of Terrig, including a new interactive whiteboard for their hall and resources for Cylch. All profits made go to directly to the school.

If you are interested, please contact us at [ffrindiauterrigpta@gmail.com](mailto:ffrindiauterrigpta@gmail.com). We will send you all the instructions.

\*alternatively, if your business has anything they can donate to the PTA (e.g. prizes, resources, refreshments), we will include an entry for free as a thank you.



## Ffrindiau Terrig CRHAA cyfeiriadur

**Mae ein Cymdeithas Rhieni ac Athrawon wedi sefydlu ac yn edrych i ehangu cyfeiriadur busnes i gefnogi busnesau lleol a bach.**

Os ydych yn berchen ar fusnes neu'n ei redeg, yn gweithio i gwmni neu os oes gennych unrhyw ffrindiau neu berthnasau, cysylltwch â ni. Am gyfraniad o £5\*, byddwn yn cynnwys eich hysbyseb yn ein cyfeiriadur. Bydd y cyfeiriadur hwn yn cael ei rannu gyda theuluoedd Ysgol Terrig a grwpiau cyfryngau cymdeithasol lleol.

### AMDANOM NI

Sefydlwyd Cymdeithas Rhieni ac Athrawon Ffrindiau Terrig yn 2023 ac mae'n cael ei rhedeg gan wirfoddolwyr- rhieni ac athrawon Ysgol Terrig, Treuddyn. Eleni, rydym yn codi arian i dalu am offer i gyfoethogi dysg plant Terrig, gan gynnwys bwrdd gwyn rhyngweithiol newydd ar gyfer eu neuadd ac adnoddau ar gyfer Cylch. Mae'r holl elw a wneir yn mynd yn uniongyrchol i'r ysgol.

Os oes gennych ddiddordeb, cysylltwch â ni yn [ffrindiauterrigpta@gmail.com](mailto:ffrindiauterrigpta@gmail.com).

Byddwn yn anfon yr holl gyfarwyddiadau atoch.

\*fel arall, os oes gan eich busnes unrhyw beth y gallant ei roi i'r Gymdeithas Rhieni ac Athrawon (e.e. gwobrau, adnoddau, lluniaeth), byddwn yn cynnwys mynediad am ddim fel diolch.



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**SAVE THESE DATES FOR OUR 2024 FUNDRAISING EVENTS:**

Sopwith Halloween Stroll - Saturday 26th October

CSRC Christmas Fair - Saturday 7th December

Christmas Carol Service – Wednesday 11th December



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The Farm Shop is located on our family farm, where we produce our own Beef, Free Range Pork, Free Range Hens & Honey. We also grow our own barley, wheat, silage, herbal lay, pumpkins and sunflowers. We have welcomed numerous groups to the farm and shop this year all wanting to learn more about food production, sustainability and our story.

We have a full butchers counter with home produced beef and pork, lamb from I & H Roberts, Pwll Farm, Treuddyn, local chicken, turkeys from Ruthin, home made sausages, burgers & oven specialities. We cook daily - sausage rolls, pies& pasties and have a great selection of locally produced pate, ice cream, bread, oils, gin, vodka, rum, cider, ale, honey, chocolate, coffee, yoghurt, milk & cheese. We are incredibly fortunate to have so much amazing food produced in this area.



### **Swans Farm Shop - Christmas Opening Hours 2024**

Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> Dec	8.00 - 5.30
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> Dec	8.00 - 5.30
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> Dec	8.00 - 5.30
Saturday 21 <sup>st</sup> Dec	8.00 - 4.00
Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup> Dec	10.00 - 4.00
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> Dec	8.00 - 5.30
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> Dec	8.00 - 12.00
<b>CLOSED 25<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup> &amp; 27<sup>th</sup></b>	
Saturday 28 <sup>th</sup> Dec	10.00 - 4.00
Sunday 29 <sup>th</sup> Dec	10.00 - 4.00
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> Dec	10.00 - 4.00
<b>CLOSED 31<sup>st</sup> Dec, 1<sup>st</sup> Jan</b>	

We would like to thank all of our customers for their continued support over the year and wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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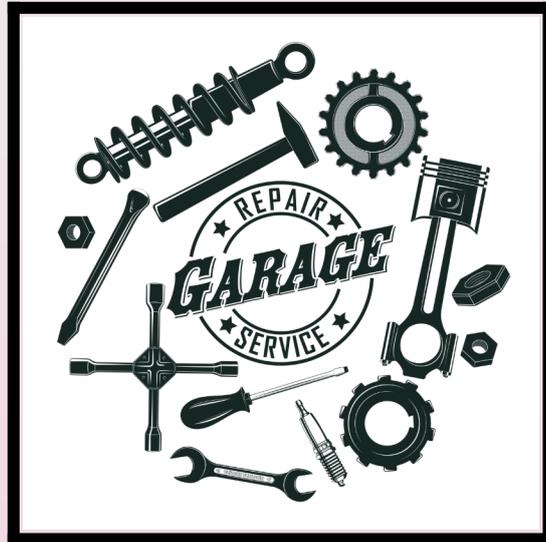
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GP Out of Hours	0300 123 55 66
Gas - Emergency	0800 111 999
Electricity – Scottish Power	0800 001 5400
Hafren Dyfrdwy (fresh water)	08000 858033
Welsh Water (sewage)	08000 853968
Natural Resources Wales (polution and/or flooding)	0800 807060
NHS Direct Wales	111
Mold Community Hospital	01352 758744
Wrexham Maelor Hospital	01978 291100
RSPCA	0300 1234 999

## Brown Bin Collections

As many residents don't use the garden waste collection service during the winter months, **brown bin waste will not be collected during the months of January and February.**

### November 2024 Calendar for Waste Collection Services - November 2024

Tuesday
5 November
12 November
19 November
26 November

### December 2024 Calendar for Waste Collection Services - December 2024

Tuesday
3 December
10 December
17 December
24 December
31 December

### January 2025 Calendar for Waste Collection Services - January 2025

Tuesday
7 January
14 January
21 January
28 January

### February 2025 Calendar for Waste Collection Services - February 2025

Tuesday
4 February
11 February
18 February
25 February

### March 2025 Calendar for Waste Collection Services - March 2025

Tuesday
4 March
11 March
18 March
25 March

### April 2025 Calendar for Waste Collection Services - April 2025

Brown Bins, Food Waste and Recycling Tuesday 1 April Tuesday 15 April Black Bins, Food Waste and Recycling Tuesday 8 April Tuesday 22 April

St Mary's Church Treuddyn

*Carols* Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> December

4pm with the **BB Band**



*Crib service*

Christmas Eve **4pm**

*Christmas*

*Day* **8:45am**

Holy Communion

