## LLANDOUGH COMMUNITY COUNCIL IN TOUCH

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# MAKING USE OF YOUR LOCAL COMMUNITY HALL

The Llandough War Memorial Hall comprises of a large hall capable of accommodating up to 100 people, a large and well-equipped kitchen, disabled toilet facilities, baby changing facilities and rear meeting room space for up to 12 people.

The Hall has been maintained to a very high standard and is currently available for celebratory parties, meetings of groups as well as sporting and cultural activities. Hire rates are very reasonable - for occasional users the rate is £15 for the first hour and £11 per hour thereafter and for regular users a much reduced price of £9.00 per hour. There are a number of weekday evening and weekend slots that are available for immediate hire.

If you are interested in making a booking, please contact Paul Egan on 01446 409294 or by e-mail p.egan67@ntlworld.com

### **COMMUNITY LITTER PICK**

On two occasions each year the Community Council organises a village litter pick designed to remove much of the litter and rubbish that accumulates over a period of time. Councillor Peter King is the marshal for the litter pick and all volunteers are provided with suitable equipment to ensure their safety whilst engaged with this important activity. The litter pick will take place on Saturday 24 September commencing at 10.00am outside the Llandough War Memorial Hall. Litter picks usually cover a period of no more than 2 hours and it is amazing how much rubbish and litter can be collected especially if a large number of volunteers take part. If you would like to make a contribution to your community please be available on the date and time and you will be welcomed with open arms.



INTERIOR VIEW OF HALL

# ST. DOCHDWY'S CHURCH PRE-SCHOOL PLAY GROUP

Llandough TOTs is a get together for those with pre-school children on Wednesday mornings during school term time. Held at Llandough War Memorial Hall, from 9.30am to 11.30am, you are welcome for tea/coffee and toast at a moderate cost of £1.50. Come and meet other mothers, fathers and grandparents with their children. You and your children would be most welcome.

## **COUNCIL SURGERY**

The next Council surgery will be held on Saturday 22 October, 2016 from 10am to 11.00am in the rear room of the Llandough War Memorial Hall. This is an opportunity for members of the community to discuss matters of common interest with Councillors, the County Borough Councillor and the Police.

## MATTERS OF GENERAL INTEREST TO RESIDENTS

### CORBETT ROAD ALLOTMENTS

Members of the community are invited to contact the Clerk to the Council if they are interested in putting their name down for an allotment at the Corbett Road site. The Community Council manages the site and it is in very good condition offering the opportunity to grow wholesome vegetables and meet new friends. A Tenant's Association is in place to assist the Council in the management of the site and represent the interests of tenants to Councillors. The cost of renting a plot for a full year is in the region of £30 and this offers extremely good value for what can be gained from allotment gardening. There is a reduction in cost available to senior citizens.

#### **COMMUNITY TRANSPORT SCHEME**

The Council operates a community transport scheme for the benefit of local residents who wish to visit to local supermarkets. The service operated by Paul Morris, a local resident, is available on Thursday mornings and anyone interested in accessing the service should contact the Clerk to the Council.

#### PARKING ISSUES

The Council has received contact from many local residents concerning the problem of hospital staff and visitor parking on residential roads. The Council has taken up this matter with the Hospital Manager and as a result of the dialogue he is carrying out a number of actions to reduce the incidence of such parking on residential roads. Furthermore, a high level meeting is being arranged for later this month with your Councillors, the Hospital Manager, the Vale of Glamorgan Council, Police and County Borough Councillor to see what more can be done to address the issues.

## LLANDOUGH ROYAL BRITISH LEGION CLUB

The Club, which is situated directly behind the Llandough War Memorial Hall on Cogan Pill Road, gives a big welcome to local residents and others. We are open Monday to Friday from 5.00pm and from 4.00pm on Saturdays as well as Sunday lunchtime and Sunday evening from 7.00pm. You are welcome to take part in our regular activities which include bingo, skittles, and monthly quiz or just enjoy a drink and chat in a very pleasant environment. We would love to see you.

### LLANDOUGH VILLAGE FETE

This year's fete was very successful and all present had an enjoyable afternoon. A big thank you to all who attended helping our local organisations to generate funds in support of their work. Planning for 2017 is already underway.

#### A NEW FOCUS ON BIO-DIVERSITY

Most residents will be aware that some years ago, the Community Council with volunteer assistance completed a two year programme of work to support the bio-diversity of Llandough. This involved planting of indigenous flowers at key locations in the village and erecting bird boxes in many locations including the Corbett Road allotments. Observations have shown that small birds have taken advantage of the nesting boxes and during the spring there is clear evidence of a wider range of flowers growing at the designated locations. The Council has decided to build upon its earlier success and plans are afoot to develop a new set of actions which will include sites in the village that have not previously benefitted from this investment.

#### WHERE HAS OUR WATER GONE?

For those of you who use the footpath through the Brook Green pocket green you may have noticed that the gushing brook has disappeared with only a trickle of water flowing into the brook. This remains a mystery and the Council has taken up the matter with the Vale of Glamorgan Council as a potential issue given that the water must have been diverted and could give rise to problems elsewhere in the village. The Council will continue to monitor the position.

#### UNLAWFUL DUMPING OF RUBBISH

One of your Community Councillors regularly walks through and around the village and has identified a number of problem spots where unlawful dumping of rubbish has taken place. If any residents become aware of unlawful dumping please contact the Clerk to the Council so that appropriate action can be taken to arrange for its removal.

#### WELCOME TO NEW COMMUNITY COUNCILLORS

The Council recently co-opted Councillor Dr Bill Fear and Councillor lan Williams to serve on the Council. Both Councillors are highly community minded and are looking to make a significant contribution to the work of the Council

#### COUNCILLOR'S CODE OF CONDUCT

The Community Council recently approved a revised Code of Conduct based on the Local Authorities (Model Code of Conduct) (Wales) (Amendment) Order 2008 (No. 2016/84). A copy can be obtained by request from the Clerk to the Council or via our website <u>www.llandough</u>-cc.co.uk.

#### LLANDOUGH YOUTH CLUB

LOL (Llandough Out Loud) is a youth club held on the ground floor of the Llandough British Legion Club every Thursday at 6.30 pm to 9.00 pm during school term time. This place is for young people aged 11 upwards to socialise, meet friends and have some fun!

Entry fee is £1 each week. A tuck shop is available for drinks, sweets, crisps, chocolate etc. Some facilities we have at the club are:- pool table, air hockey, x box, chill out zones, art and craft activities. We also hold a number of trips/ events throughout the year. The Youth club operates an OPEN ACCESS POLICY and while we encourage members to remain inside the club we hold no responsibility for them if they leave. The club operates through a working partnership between the Vale of Glamorgan Council's Youth Service Department and the Llandough Out Loud Community Youth Organisation ( who are all volunteers). We hope to see you there!!!

# **IN TOUCH**

## A NEW YOGA CLASS

Meets every Tuesday evening in the Llandough War Memorial Hall. The contact is Lynne Healey: lynne\_healey02920@sky.com

#### MOVIES IN DINAS POWYS

Movies are shown at the Dinas Powys Community Cinema located in the Murch Community Centre, Sunnycroft Lane, Dinas Powys CF64 4QQ. Tickets are available from the Parish Hall, Britway Road. For details of showings visit www.murchfield.org.uk.

#### THE MEMORY CAFE

The Café is open on the second Wednesday (10-11.30am) of every month and is open to anyone affected by the early stages of memory loss including carers, friends and family. There is no charge and it is held in the Murchfield Community Centre.

#### PATHS FOR PEOPLE

The Community Council has contacted the Ramblers Association for guidance on how actions can be taken to encourage the use of the footpaths within the community. It is important that the paths are regularly walked so that maintenance issues can be identified and put right ensuring that there is uninterrupted use. A representative of the Association will be attending the next meeting of the Council's Environment and Amenities Committee.

### **CONDITION OF THE TENNIS COURTS**

The Community Council is in discussions with the Vale of Glamorgan Council in relation to the urgent need for the tennis courts to be brought up to an acceptable standard. It is hoped that a solution can be found so that those wishing to play tennis can do so on courts that are of a good standard.

#### **BEST KEPT GARDEN COMPETITION**

The Council will shortly consider the desirability of reintroducing this competition which was originally well supported but in its latter years of operation support dwindled and was discontinued. The views of residents on the desirability of re-launching the scheme are invited.

#### GRANTS FOR THE LLANDOUGH WAR MEMORIAL HALL

The Council recently approved grants for the Management Committee to fund internal painting, replacement of some of the window panes, a baby changing unit and a number of essential repairs. The Council considers it vital that the Hall is maintained in excellent condition for the benefit of all hall users.

If you have any ideas or suggestions you would like the Community Council to consider please feel free to write to the Clerk to the Council, 63 Woodham Park, Barry CF62 8FJ or e-mail him on clerk@llandough-cc.co.uk