# LLANDOUGH COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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# NEW SHOP AND CAFÉ IN OUR COMMUNITY – Y DOSBARTH

In the Llandough Council's most recent resident consultation an overwhelming number of residents said they would like to see a village shop in Llandough. Well, Llandough Primary School have now opened a community cafe and shop, Y Dosbarth, which is being run by the Year 6 pupils. The Community Council was pleased to make a grant to the school as a contribution to the costs involved.

You may have noticed the shop being constructed by Green Point Outdoor Spaces over the last few months at the top entrance of the school. Y Dosbarth is now open and needs the support of all of you. The shop sells hot and cold drinks and groceries. Please stop by for a drink, chat and a sit down in the seating area while you pick up some essentials. Or simply grab a hot drink to take away whilst walking your dog or on your way to work. The school are looking for suggestions as to what you would like to see available at the shop in order to tailor it to your needs.

The school is also looking for volunteers within the community to help out in the shop and supervise the Year 6 pupils. It is vital that there are enough volunteers for the shop to be a success. So, if you have an hour or two free during the week and would like to get involved with this wonderful initiative, please contact the Clerk (01446 409294 or clerk@llandough-cc.co.uk) who will pass on your interest to the school. Routine DBS checks will be required for anyone wishing to work with the children. Y Dosbarth is currently open between 8-9.30am and during school pick up time at 3-4pm during the week, depending on footfall. The school is hoping to establish longer opening hours once they have a sufficient number of community volunteers. The school cannot do this without you so please use the shop, or donate your time and volunteer if you are able to. It can be as little as one hour a week or longer.

The shop is now open and the school looks forward to seeing as many of you as possible.

# LITTER AND DOG MESS

Litter and dog mess continues to be a problem in our community and this is a call for the limited number of irresponsible dog owner to clean up dog mess. This is still a problem in our community and the minority of dog owners are the problem. The Council is so concerned about this issue, which has serious implications for our environment as well as health issues, that it is considering whether to request the civil enforcement team in the Vale of Glamorgan Council to patrol the community at unannounced times during the day and evening.

It is hard to believe that some dog owners even bag it and then leave the bags on the ground even when bins are close by such as in the playing field. How unhealthy is that? Everyone needs to pull together to protect the environment of our community and if anyone witnesses the actions of an irresponsible dog owner please report the matter to the Vale of Glamorgan Council – Web Link

https://forms.valeofglamorgan.gov.uk/en/DogFouling

Litter is also a problem in our community with occasional fly-tipping and people throwing the litter out of their cars. Your Council is committed to addressing this problem through the organisation of litter picks throughout the year. Councillors welcome the assistance of residents on the litter picks which will be held this year on the following dates and times:

- 8 May Coronation Bank Holiday
- 9 September
- 10.00am until 12 Noon (Meet outside the village hall. Equipment provided.

#### **NEW ALLOTMENT SITE - LEWIS ROAD**

Following last year's community consultation event, the Council has been examining the views expressed by residents about the concept design and some amendments to the design have been made. We promised to hold a follow-up event this year and the date arranged for this is Saturday 3 June 2023 at 10.00am in the village hall. Those attending will be advised of the changes made to the design and the steps that will now be taken to develop the site for the benefit of residents. Following last year's event, we received a high number of expressions of support and many local residents have put their name forward for an allotment plot. Hope to see you at the event that will be published nearer the date.

#### **VILLAGE FETE**

The ever-popular village fete will be held in the playing fields on Saturday 10 June 2023 commencing at 1.00pm. We have lots of attractions booked and a wide variety of stalls offering goods for sale.



We would be pleased to hear from any local residents who would like to be considered for a stall. If you are interested, please contact the Clerk to the Council providing details of what you would like to sell.

# CONTINUING THE FOCUS ON BIO-DIVERSITY

The Council with some local volunteers continues in its mission to improve the biodiversity of our community. Back in October more daffodils and wildflower seeds were planted and further steps have been taken to develop the bird sanctuary located in the redundant tennis court in the playing fields. The work being undertaken is continuing on an annual basis with the objective of improving our local environment and preserving and enhancing wildlife habitats. A recent example is the Council purchasing hedgehog boxes to be located in the Corbett Road allotments.



#### **Community Speed Watch Volunteers Needed!**

Would you be willing to be one of 6 volunteers needed to set up a Speed Watch Team in the village?

The idea is to monitor speed of traffic through the village initially at two locations.

- The entry to the village on Leckwith Road; and
- Through the village on Penlan Road.

We need a minimum of 3 people per team (one to operate the speed detection device, one to act as scribe and one as a second pair of eyes to confirm vehicle index, make, model and colour). If interested, please contact Paul Egan on 01446 409294 or clerk@llandough-cc.co.uk

## THINKING OF HIRING THE 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. We now have free WIFI access and the availability of a projector and screen which can be used subject the payment of a returnable deposit.

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 £20 for the first hour and £15 per hour thereafter and for regular users a much-reduced price of £12.00 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 Clerk@llandough-cc.co.uk



#### WELCOME TO OUR NEW COUNCILLOR

The Council is pleased to announce that Councillor Catherine Gibson from Joseph Parry Close has recently been co-opted to the Council. She looks forward to contributing to the work of the Council in support of the community.

#### LAST YEAR'S CHRISTMAS FAYRE

Thank you to all residents and sellers who attended our first Christmas Fayre in December which proved to be a great success. We will be holding another Fayre this coming Christmas.

# THINK ABOUT HOW YOU DISPOSE OF NON-DEGRADABLE ITEMS

We were recently approached by a local resident whose toilet became blocked as a result of the main sewer drain outside his property becoming blocked by non-degradable items being flushed down toilets by neighbouring residents leading to a blockage in the sewer drain. Residents are asked to avoid the practice of flushing items such as wet wipes down their toilets.

#### YOUR IDEAS AND SUGGESTIONS

The Community Council is always keen to develop projects and schemes which will serve to enhance the social, economic and environmental wellbeing of the community. Any ideas that residents may have would be warmly welcomed and you should contact the Clerk to the Council.

## **CORONATION WEEKEND 6-8 MAY 2023**

Do you fancy watching the Coronation Day service on the big screen in the village hall on 6 June and joining councillors for free refreshments and meeting up with other residents? If so, please come and join us on this memorable day. Timings will be published in the near future.

# LOOKING FOR A VOLUNTEER DRIVER

It is planned to resume the community transport scheme to help local residents without transport to access the local supermarkets. We are anxiously looking to engage a volunteer driver who has the time and is eligible to drive the East Vale Community Transport Minibus. If you are interested please contact Paul Egan, Clerk to the Council on 01446 409294 or by e-mail <a href="mailto:clerk@llandough-cc.co.uk">clerk@llandough-cc.co.uk</a> To read about the East Vale Community Transport scheme the web-site is <a href="mailto:https://www.eastvalecommunitytransport.org/">https://www.eastvalecommunitytransport.org/</a>

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#### LLANDOUGH CIVIC SERVICE

The Council will be holding its annual civic service on Sunday 21 May 2023 at 3.00pm in St Dochdwy's Church followed by refreshments in the village hall. The new Chairman of the Council will be Councillor Dr Mo Misra and will be supported by Councillor Jo Byworth-Morgan who will be the new Vice-Chairman. We welcome all residents to attend this important event in the community calendar.

## SOLUTION TO WATER ESCAPE ON LLANDOUGH HILL

The Council is very pleased that work was recently undertaken by the Vale of Glamorgan Council to remedy this long-standing problem and that resurfacing of the Hill will be programmed for the near future.

#### CALL TO LOCAL TRADESPEOPLE

The Council often requires local tradespeople to undertake work on Council sites and it would be really helpful if local tradespeople could forward their contact details to the Clerk to the Council for future reference.