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CHRISTMAS FAYRE AND COFFEE MORNING

The Christmas Fayre this year will be held on Saturday 30 November in the Llandough War Memorial Hall from 10.00am until 12 Noon. Refreshments will be available free of charge. There will be a wide range of sellers present giving you the opportunity to purchase items ready for Christmas or to meet your general needs. We look forward to welcoming you to this seasonal event. All welcome.

CHRISTMAS COFFEE MORNING AND CAROL SERVICE

Our ever-popular carol service will be held on Saturday 7 December from 10.00am until 12 Noon in the Llandough War Memorial Hall. With carols from Ysgol Pen-y-Garth and local opera singers you will be invited to join in with communal carol singing. We will also be holding a raffle with proceeds being donated to the Vale Foodbank. We look forward to welcoming you to this uplifting event marking the start to the festive season. Refreshments will be available free of charge.

VE DAY 80 – 8 MAY 2025

The Council will be arranging a commemorative event on 8 May 2025 involving a procession to the playing fields led by a bagpiper and culminating in the lighting of a beacon. We hope that many of you will join us on this important remembrance event and for those who are unable to join the procession you can join us by accessing the playing fields by car. Further details will be published nearer the date. We would like to hear from any volunteers who wish to assist with the commemoration arrangements.

BIODIVERSITY IN ACTION

At the beginning of November councillors and a number of local volunteers put their energies into wildflower seed and bulb planting at various locations in our community. It was hard work but we are hopeful that their efforts will brighten up our community in Spring and Summer of next year. Our special thanks go to Anne Hill who helped guide our work.

SCHOOL LITTER/POSTER COMPETITION

The Council and Llandough Primary School recently organised a poster competition in the school and Councillor Dr Mo Misra presented the prizes for the winning entries in each class as well as an overall winner of the competition. The standard of all entries was highly commendable and we would like to thank the Headteacher and his staff and the pupils that took part. We are hoping to gain the agreement of the Vale of Glamorgan Council for the overall winning entry to be posted on all street lighting columns in the community so that we can all be reminded of the need to keep our community free of litter and dog waste. The children through their engagement in the competition have given out a clear message to all of us that we each have a duty to keep our environment in great shape. The overall winning entry conveyed a clear message to our community:

KEEP LLANDOUGH CLEAN

BE PART OF THE SOLUTION – NOT PART OF THE POLLUTION

Very wise words from someone so young.

SERVICES TO OLDER PERSONS SURVEY

The Council would like to thank all of you that completed the survey form. We have recently analysed the responses and developed an action plan to either address the concerns as a Council or by taking steps to encourage the responsible authorities to take action on your part. We will keep you informed of the results of the action plan.

NEW ALLOTMENT SITE – LEWIS ROAD

The Council remains committed to developing the site for allotments and the next step in the process is to make an application to the Vale of Glamorgan Council for planning permission. The Council will shortly be engaging with planning consultants to move things forward.

ACTIVITIES IN THE HALL

Zumba

Tracey Raikes is celebrating 13yrs of running weekly ZUMBA class in the Hall every Tuesday at 6:45pm. If you would like to join us, please book your space by calling Tracey 07966242933.

Tang Doo So – Martial Arts

Tang Soo Do combines elements of Karate, Subak, Taekkyon, and Kung Fu. It includes stances (hyungs/forms), self-defense, hand and foot techniques, sparring, Korean Combat Jujitsu, and ground fighting.

Tang Soo Do follows a traditional path of self-control by teaching self-discipline and social responsibility to its members.

We are a fully inclusive family-oriented club offering lessons for children, adults and a ladies only session.

The group meets on a number of evenings in the hall and if you or members of your family are interested in joining, please ring Emma Mudie on 07504981572.

IN MEMORY OF THE LATE COUNCILLOR MICHAEL EDWARDS

Known locally and further afield for his brilliant Meccano and model train demonstrations, we were extremely sad and stunned to recently hear about his untimely death. He will be a great loss to the Council especially having regard to his wide experience of local council governance having served as councillor and a former Chair for a very long time. A Requiem mass will be held at St. Mary's Catholic Church, Edith Rd, Dinas Powys, CF64 4BX on Thursday December 5th 2024 at 11.30am.

No flowers by request, but donations can be made to the Marfan Trust. There will be a donation page set up on the Parkman Funerals website.

COFFEE MORNINGS

The Council has decided to continue holding coffee mornings in the Llandough War Memorial Hall during 2025. Dates for 2025 will be published on the Council's website and on local social media. We are planning to line up some interesting guest speakers as well as continuing with the popular quiz. We would like to see more people attending the mornings and if you know of anyone that might benefit from making new friends and enjoying a social event in a warm space, please encourage them to attend.

BELLE VUE BOWLING CLUB

Belle Vue has been going for 110 years next year and want to continue for the foreseeable future.

They now have a webpage <https://penarthbellevuebowls.co.uk> and a club email address. They are working very hard to be more noticeable to the local community and are encouraging people of all ages and abilities to come and try the game. They have access to the green for wheelchairs and are working with 2 schools in the Penarth area with their sports programme and getting young people interested in the sport. If you are interested in joining or sponsoring the club please get in contact with them. Their email address is: penarthbellevuebowls@gmail.com

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



USE OF WASTE CARRIERS

Natural Resources Wales has stated that over 70% of waste in Wales contains unwanted household items and waste, most often, this is the result of a householder unknowingly putting their excess household waste into the hands of a fly-tipper. Fly-tipping is a serious crime which poses an immediate threat to the environment, animals, local communities and our beautiful Welsh landscapes. You should be aware it is your duty to ensure that any fly-tipper is a legitimate waste carrier and if you do not carry out this check and your waste is found fly-tipped you can be fined £300 and risk prosecution for not following your Household Waste Duty of Care.

FOOTPATH WALKS IN LLANDOUGH

Do you fancy some exercise and explore some of the areas of Llandough and adjoining area that you may not be aware of? If so have a look at the Community Council's website to learn more about the footpath walks that are available: [http://www.llandough-cc.co.uk/Stories from the Past and Great Community Walks 20124.aspx](http://www.llandough-cc.co.uk/Stories_from_the_Past_and_Great_Community_Walks_20124.aspx)

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.

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 clerk@llandough-cc.co.uk To read about the East Vale Community Transport scheme the web-site is <https://www.eastvalecommunitytransport.org/>

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LITTER PICKS 2025

Following a number of very successful litter picks in 2024, our programme of litter picks in 2025 has been agreed. The litter picks from 10.00am until 12 Noon on Saturday mornings will be held on 5 March, 14 June and 20 September.

DOG FOULING

Litter and dog mess continues to be a problem in our community although there is some evidence that dog fouling is less of a problem than hitherto. Nevertheless, this is a call for the limited number of irresponsible dog owners 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 concerned about this issue which has serious implications for our environment as well as health issues. It is considering investigating inviting Civil Enforcement Officers to patrol the community at unannounced times during the day and evening. This would be in addition to their planned visits.

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>

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