

## IN TOUCH

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### RESUMPTION OF COMMUNITY TRANSPORT SCHEME

**Do you need help with transport to do your weekly shopping at one of the nearby supermarkets?**

Teaming up with East Vale Community Transport we will be shortly arranging a weekly service on Thursday mornings each week. You will be picked up from your home, have help with your shopping and will be transported back home. You will be requested to make a donation of £3.00 per trip towards the cost of the service. If you are interested in becoming a regular passenger, please contact Paul Egan (Clerk to the Council) on 01446 409294 or email him – [clerk@llandough-cc.co.uk](mailto:clerk@llandough-cc.co.uk) You will need to provide him with your name, address and telephone number.

### VE DAY 80 – 8 MAY 2025

VE Day 80, on May 8th, 2025, marks the 80th anniversary of Victory in Europe Day, commemorating the end of World War II in Europe on May 8, 1945, with celebrations and events across the UK and beyond. Your community council will be holding a commemoration on this important day and invites residents to join councillors. The programme for the evening will be as follows:

6.30pm Church bells ring at St Dochdwy's Church (80 rings)

9.00pm Residents and councillors meet outside the War Memorial Hall

9.15pm Led by a bagpiper all of us walk to the playing fields

9.30pm Beacon is lit

9.35pm Chair of the Council reads out the national tribute

9.40pm Llandough Choir to sing 'I Vow to Thee my Country'

9.50pm Walk back to the Legion Club for drinks.

### REMEMBERING VE AND VJ DAY 80

The Royal British Legion Club will be holding a Tea Party on Monday 5 May 2025 at 3.00pm to celebrate the end of the Second World War. Refreshments and bar available. ALL WELCOME

### LLANDOUGH VILLAGE FETE

The ever-popular village fete will be held in the playing fields on Saturday 7 June 2025 commencing at 1.00pm. There will be a wide variety of stalls, special attractions, bar, refreshments stall and competitions including a new children's fancy dress competition. We hope that residents will support the fete which promises to be a great afternoon out for everyone. The sad loss of former Councillor Michael Edwards will result in the absence of his excellent model train and Meccano display which children found of great interest. If anyone in the community would like to provide a display of interest to children, please contact the Clerk on [clerk@llandough-cc.co.uk](mailto:clerk@llandough-cc.co.uk)

### LLANDOUGH CIVIC SERVICE

Councillor Dr Mo Misra who is the Chair Elect will be holding his Civic Service in St Dochdwy's Church on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2025 commencing at 3.00pm with refreshments available afterwards in the War Memorial Hall. All residents are cordially invited to attend to join him on this important date in the village calendar.

### OUR NEXT LITTER PICK

The Community Council will be arranging the next litter pick on Saturday 14 June 2025 at 10.00am (Meet outside the hall). This is an opportunity for councillors with residents to help clean up our community for the benefit of us all. Suitable equipment will be provided for all those taking part.

## 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 is currently inviting costed estimates from Planning Consultants to undertake the work required to submit the planning application to the Vale of Glamorgan Council. The process is taking much longer than originally thought but it is hoped that the project will be implemented next year subject to grant funding being obtained.

## COFFEE MORNINGS 2025

Our Friday morning coffee mornings held each month in the War Memorial Hall are proving quite popular but it would be great to see more of you attending. We can promise you a warm welcome with free refreshments, a quiz and an opportunity to meet up with and make new friends. The schedule of coffee mornings for the remainder of the year are as follows:

16 May, 20 June, 18 July, 15 August, 19 September, 17 October, 21 November and 19 December

(10.00am until 12 Noon)

There will also be speakers at some of the mornings to keep you up to date with topics of interest.



## WELCOME TO OUR NEW COUNCILLOR

The Council recently co-opted a new councillor who is Tomos Llewelyn. He is very keen to support the Council in delivering quality services to the community which include:

- Maintenance of the village green outside St Dochdwy's Church
- Maintenance of the Village Green off Spencer Drive
- The Brook Green pocket park
- Maintenance of land at the bottom of Penlan Rise and at certain locations in the Dochdwy estate
- Christmas decorations
- A wide range of events in the village calendar
- Commenting on planning applications
- Provision of allotments
- Principal Trustee of the Llandough War Memorial Hall
- Making grants to community organisations and charities
- Working with Councillor George Carroll to bring matters to his attention relating to the responsibilities of the Vale of Glamorgan Council.

## LITTER POSTERS

We will shortly be arranging for litter posters to be affixed to street lighting columns in the village. The design of the poster is based on the winning entry in the recent school litter poster competition. It will be a reminder to all of us to dispose of litter and dog mess in an appropriate way. There have been recent occasions when those that simply ignore the rules have been heavily fined which serves as a warning that these unacceptable practices that damage the environment and create health issues will no longer be tolerated. To view the litter poster competition entries, visit our website - <https://www.llandough-cc.co.uk/VirDir/CoreContents/News/Display.aspx?id=72573>

## 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 £25 for the first hour and £20 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](mailto: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.

## **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 some 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>

## **ELDERFIT SESSIONS IN THE HALL**

The Elderfit Team has at the request of the Community Council put on an additional weekly session of fitness classes for the elderly. In addition to the Tuesday morning sessions there will now be a weekly Thursday morning session to be held on a pilot basis. Both weekly sessions are held in the War Memorial Hall from 10.30am until 11.15am. These classes are designed to improve strength, mobility and confidence. If you would like to take part, please telephone Gareth on 07557395457.

## **LOAN OF BLOOD PRESSURE MONITORING DEVICES**

Hubs and libraries across Cardiff are extending their health and wellbeing offer with the launch of a new blood pressure monitor scheme. In the same way as library card holders can borrow books and other resources from facilities across the city, members of the public can now take advantage of the new loan scheme that will allow them to keep track of their blood pressure. The scheme is the latest health and wellbeing initiative from the Hubs and Libraries service, working in partnership with Cardiff and Vale Local Public Health Team and Cardiff and Vale University Health Board, and supports the goal of delivering activity to help reduce health inequalities across the city. One in three adults in the UK has high blood pressure but many don't realise it. If untreated, high blood pressure over a period of time can lead to a number of health problems including stroke, heart disease, kidney disease, vascular dementia and diabetes. Being more aware of their blood pressure can enable individuals to make positive lifestyle changes such as getting active, keeping to a healthy weight, eating healthily, stopping smoking or taking medication, to avoid these negative outcomes.

## **LOCATION OF THE COMMUNITY DEFIBRILLATOR**

Residents are reminded that the defibrillator is located outside Llandough War Memorial Hall and is available in suspected cases of cardiac arrest.

## **HAVE A LOOK AT OUR WEBSITE**

If you would like to read more about the work of the Community Council and to keep up to date with our meeting agendas and minutes search for <https://www.llandough-cc.co.uk/>

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](mailto:clerk@llandough-cc.co.uk)