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To: Tracy Gilmartin-Ward

Bwletin Un Llais Cymru Gorffennaf 2020

One Voice Wales July 2020
bulletin



**This Edition: Chief Executive's Update,
Letter from the Minister, Public Toilets.
Featured Councils: Llanuwchllyn,
Llanrug and Cwmbrân.**

**Y Rhifyn hwn: Adroddiad gan y Prif
Weithredwr, Lythyr gan y Gweinidog,
Toiledau Cyhoeddus. Cyngorau Dan
Sylw: Llanuwchllyn, Llanrug a Cwmbrân.**

Weithredwr

Lyn Cadwallader



Wel, bu'n gyfnod arbennig o brysur dros yr ychydig wythnosau diwethaf i dîm Un Llais Cymru. Cafodd y Cadeirydd y Cyng Mike Cuddy, yr Is Gadeiryddion y Cyng Mike Theodoulou a'r Cyng Elfed ap Gomer a minnau gyfarfod gyda **Julie James AS, y Gweinidog Tai a Llywodraeth Leol** a swyddogion Llywodraeth Cymru - roedd yr agenda yn cynnwys adfer wedi COVID, datgarboneiddio, digideiddio'r sector a chryfhau llywodraethiant ariannol a rheolaethol. Cytunwyd y bydd Un Llais Cymru yn cynrychioli'r sector ar yr Is Grŵp Adfer Wedi Covid a sefydlwyd yn ddiweddar, a fydd hefyd yn cynnwys cynrychiolyddion o blith aelodau'r Cyngor Partneriaeth, a chytunwyd y dylid gwahodd Un Llais Cymru i gyflwyno eu syniadau fel rhan o'r adolygiad hwnnw ac amlinellu eu profiad, gwersi a ddysgwyd a sut maen nhw am gyfrannu i'r dyfodol: defnyddir y gwaith hwnnw wrth ddatblygu pecyn

Well it has been a particularly busy time over the last few weeks for the One Voice Wales team. The Chair Cllr Mike Cuddy, Vice Chairs Cllr Mike Theodoulou and Cllr Elfed ap Gomer and I met with **Julie James MS, Minister for Housing and Local Government** and Welsh Government officials – the agenda included COVID recovery, decarbonisation, digitalisation of the sector and strengthening financial and management governance. It was agreed One Voice Wales will represent the sector on the recently formed Covid Recovery Sub Group including representatives from Partnership Council members and that OVW to be invited to set out their views as part of a review of local resilience for a: that work will be taken forward on the development of climate emergency toolkit for the sector; One Voice Wales would submit a bid to the Minister on assisting with the digitalisation of community and town

cyfamser byddwn yn annog cynghorau i ddarllen adroddiad y Comisiynydd – mae manylion i'w gweld yn:
https://www.futuregenerations.wales/cy/public_info/adroddiad-cenedlaethaur-dyfodol-2020/

Cafodd Un Llais Cymru gais yn ddiweddar hefyd i gynrychioli'r sector ar **weithgor newydd Llywodraeth Cymru ar Ganol Trefi** a sefydlwyd gan Hannah Blythyn AS, y Dirprwy Weinidog Tai a Llywodraeth Leol. Rydym eisoes wedi derbyn Cynllun Adfywio'r Dref Cyngor Tref Caerfyrddin, a byddem yn croesawu sylwadau eich cyngor neu enghreifftiau o sut all cynghorau cymuned a thref gefnogi'r gwaith o adfywio ac ail-bwrpasu canol trefi fel rhan o'r broses adfer wedi COVID. Rydym ar hyn o bryd yn aros am fanylion y cylch nesaf o gymorth COVID oddi wrth Lywodraeth Cymru, a bydd cynghorau cymuned a thref yn gallu gwneud cais am gymorth o'r gronfa hon os ydynt wedi colli incwm. Cyn gynted ag y cawn wybod am fanylion y broses gwneud cais a'r meini prawf ar gyfer y cynllun, byddwn yn eu danfon at ein haelod gynghorau.

Hoffwn eich atgoffa eto am y **Cynllun Lleoedd Newydd ar gyfer Natur** y bu Un Llais Cymru yn gweithio arno gyda Cadwch Gymru'n Daclus – derbyniodd mwy na 200 o gynghorau cymuned a thref swm o arian grant cyfalaf gwerth hyd at £1000 hyd yn hyn. Mae'r cynllun ar agor o hyd, a byddwn yn annog y

[public_info/the-future-generations-report-2020/](https://www.futuregenerations.wales/public_info/the-future-generations-report-2020/)

One Voice Wales has also recently been asked to represent the sector on a **new Welsh Government Town Centre Action working group** which has been established by Hannah Blythyn MS, Deputy Minister for Housing and Local Government. We have already been forwarded Carmarthen Town Councils Town Recovery Plan and would welcome your Councils views or examples of initiatives on how community and town councils can support town centre regeneration and re-purposing as part of the COVID recovery process. We are currently awaiting details of the next round of COVID support from Welsh Government which will be eligible for community and town councils to bid into specifically where they have lost income. As soon as we are made aware of the application process and criteria for the scheme, we will send onto our member councils.

I would also like to give another plug for the **Local Places for Nature Scheme** that One Voice Wales has been working with Keep Wales Tidy on – over 200 community and town councils have received a capital grant scheme award to the value of £1000 to date. The scheme is still open, and I would encourage those councils who have not submitted to get their applications in as soon as possible.

I also recently represented the sector

ganolbwyntio ein hymdrechion ar
gyfer adfer ac adfywio.”
Hoffwn annog eich Cyngor i ymateb
i'r cais brys hwn, ac os yn bosib
gofynnir ichi ddanfôn copi at y tîm
yma yn Un Llais Cymru.

Mr Lyn Cadwallader, Prif Weithredwr
Un Llais Cymru

Wales

Lythyr oddiwrth Julie James AS/MS, Gweinidog Tai a Llywodraeth

Gorffennaf 2020

Annwyl gyfeillion,

Mae coronafirws wedi cael effaith
sylweddol ar bob gwlad ledled y byd
a Chymru. Yn ogystal â'r peryglon
iechyd; mae swyddi mewn perygl;
mae cyllid cyhoeddus mewn perygl;
mae ein cymunedau bregus mewn
perygl.

Bydd darparu ar gyfer adferiad o'r
argyfwng iechyd cyhoeddus yn
cynrychioli'r her fwyaf yr ydym wedi'i
hwynebu fel Llywodraeth
Ddatganoledig. Bydd y gwaith
hanfodol yma yn effeithio pob
agwedd o fywydau pobl Cymru a
bydd yn hynod o bwysig i
gwasanaethau cyhoeddus, ar gyfer
yr economi a chymdeithas.

Nid oes amheuaeth ein bod yn
wynebu heriau enfawr, digynsail.
Wrth i ni blotio cwrs at adferiad ac
ailadeiladu, bydd ein dull yn seiliedig

Letter from Julie James AS/MS, Minister for Housing and Local Government

July 2020

Dear colleagues,

Coronavirus has had a significant
impact on all countries around the
world and Wales. As well as the
health risks; jobs are at risk; public
finances are at risk; our vulnerable
communities are at risk.

Providing for the recovery from the
public health emergency represents
the biggest challenge we have faced
as a Devolved Government. This
vital work will impact all areas of
Welsh peoples' lives and will be
profoundly important for public
services, for the economy and
society.

There can be no doubt that we face
huge, unprecedented, challenges.
As we plot a course to recovery and
reconstruction, our approach will be
based on the same values – a
commitment to social, economic and

wneud hynny erbyn diwedd mis Gorffennaf. Bydd hynny ymhell o ddiwedd y sgwrs genedlaethol hollbwysig yma, ond rydym am helpu i ganolbwyntio ymdrechion pobl wrth gyfrannu at ein dealltwriaeth a'n meddwl yn y camau cynnar hyn. Yn Gywir,

Julie James AS/MS

Y Gweinidog Tai a Llywodraeth Leol

contributing to our understanding and thinking in these early stages.

Julie James AS/MS

Minister for Housing and Local Government

CYFLEUSTERAU CYHOEDDUS

Gweler y canllawiau ar drefn lanhau ar gyfer toiledau cyhoeddus gan Lywodraeth Cymru

<https://llyw.cymru/darparu-toiledau-mwy-diogel-ir-cyhoedd-coronafeirws>

PUBLIC TOILETS

Please see guidance on a cleaning regime for public toilets from the Welsh Government.

<https://gov.wales/providing-safer-toilets-public-use-coronavirus>



CYNGHORAU DAN SYLW

**Cyngor Cymuned
Llanuwchllyn**

FEATURE COUNCILS

**Llanuwchllyn Community
Council**

Dochan, yr Hen Gapel a Chaer Gai,
a fu'n gartref i'r Rhufeiniaid.

Roedd y gost yn tynnu am £8,000 ac fe fuom yn ffodus iawn o gael nawdd gan Wersyll yr Urdd, Glan-llyn, Yr Eagles, y Rheilffordd a chymorth gwerthfawr gan Barc Cenedlaethol Eryri.

Os nad oedd y Paneli yn ddigon o waith llynedd, fe benderfynodd y Cyngor fod y mwsogl ar hyd llwybr cyhoeddus Llwybr y Cei yn boendod i gerddwyr. Y tro hwn, panel o ffermwyr ar y Cyngor a gynlluniodd y gwaith gyda Pharc Cenedlaethol Eryri; mae blwyddyn gyntaf y prosiect wedi dod i ben gyda gweithiwr lleol yn torri coed a dechrau plygu gwrychoedd er mwyn gadael mwy o olau haul ar y llwybr a chadw'r mwsogl draw.

Mae sawl prosiect arall ar y gweill gan y Cyngor, ac mae'n dda adrodd fod pob aelod yn barod i dorchu llawes a mynd ati i wneud gwaith ymarferol er lles y gymuned

LLANRUG

Er mwyn ymateb mewn ffordd ymarferol i anghenion trigolion sydd yn hunan-ynysu neu yn y categori "bregus", fel a ddiffiniwyd gan y Llywodraeth, mae Cyngor Cymuned Llanrug wedi bod yn cludo cinio dydd Sul i gartrefi lleol yn ystod cyfnod Covid-19.

Mae'r Cyngor yn cydweithio gydag "A and M Catering", cwmni arlwyio a

Chapel and Caer Gai Roman fort.

The cost was £8,000 and we were very fortunate to receive sponsorship from the Urdd, Glan-Llyn, the Eagles Inn, and valuable support from the Snowdonia National Park.

If the panels were not enough work last year, the Council decided that the moss along the public footpath of the quay was a nuisance to walkers. On this occasion, a group of farmers on the Council planned the work with Snowdonia National Park; the first year of the project has ended with a local worker cutting down trees and starting hedge laying to leave more sunlight on the trail and keep the moss under control.

There are several other projects in the pipeline by the Council, and it is good to report that all members are prepared to get stuck in and carry out practical work for the benefit of the community.

LLANRUG

In order to respond practically to residents' needs during the Covid-19 lockdown, Llanrug Community Council entered into a venture to bring Sunday lunches to the doorsteps of those isolating or deemed "vulnerable" by definition of the Welsh Government.

"A and M Catering", a hospitality company established by two young



CWMBRÂN #CBE2020

Cafodd argyfwng Coronafeirws effaith fawr ar gymunedau eleni. Fe deimlon ni ei effaith. Cymerodd Cyngor Cymuned Cwmbrân y penderfyniad anodd ond anorfod i ohirio "Digwyddiad Mawr Cwmbrân" eleni. Er gwaethaf llwyddiant digwyddiad 2019, ni allem fentro annog y cyhoedd i ddod i ddigwyddiad cymunedol mawr. Er hynny, ymlaen yr aethom ni, trwy'r Digwyddiad Mawr "Rhithiol" cyntaf erioed!

Ar y diwrnod pan ddylai'r digwyddiad fod wedi cael ei gynnal, 13 Mehefin, roedd gennym raglen o adloniant ar draws y cyfryngau cymdeithasol. Gan ddefnyddio #CBE2020, roedd gennym fideos, gemau a

CWMBRÂN #CBE2020

The Coronavirus outbreak affected communities greatly this year. We all felt its impact. Cwmbran Community Council took the difficult but unavoidable decision to postpone the "Cwmbran Big Event" this year. Despite the success of the 2019 event, we could not risk encouraging the public to a large community event. Undeterred however, we still went ahead, via the first ever "Virtual" Big Event!

On the day when the event would have been held, 13 June, we offered a programme of entertainment across social media. Using #CBE2020, we ran videos, games and a poetry competition. Memories of 2019 came flooding back! Our



Help a chymorth mewn cyfnod o argyfwng.

Neges gan Lywodraeth Cymru

Annwyl bawb,

Mae ein teclyn brysbennu nawr ar-lein a bydd yn helpu dinasyddion Cymru i ddod o hyd i gyngor a chymorth ar gyfer eu hamgylchiadau unigol yn ystod pandemig COVID-19.

<https://canfod-cymorth-coronafeirws.gwasanaeth.llyw.cymru/angen-help-gyda>

Mae'r teclyn yn cyfeirio at ystod o wybodaeth ar draws y themâu canlynol:

Help and support in a time of crisis.

A message from the Welsh Government

Dear all,

Our new website triage tool which will help Welsh citizens find advice and support for their individual circumstances during the COVID-19 pandemic is now live.

<https://find-coronavirus-support.service.gov.wales/start>

The tool signposts to a range of information across the following themes:

- Being unemployed or not having any work

cymorth arnynt yn gwybod am yr teclyn. Hyrwyddwch fodolaeth y teclyn drwy eich cyfryngau cymdeithasol neu sianeli eraill a throsglwyddo'r gair i unrhyw sefydliadau yr ydych yn gweithio gyda hwy yn lleol, a allai fod yn helpu pobl yn y rheng flaen. Rydym wedi cynnwys rhai graffigau cyfryngau cymdeithasol a negeseuon awgrymedig i'ch helpu gyda hyn.

Deallwn hefyd nad yw pawb ar-lein. Wrth hyrwyddo'r teclyn byddwn yn atgyfnerthu'r neges y dylai unrhyw un sydd angen cymorth brys gysylltu â'i awdurdod lleol yn y lle cyntaf - bydd hyn yn cynnwys y rhai sydd wedi'u hallgáu'n ddigidol. Rydym wedi datblygu rhai taflenni gwybodaeth/llyfrynau sy'n crynhoi peth o'r cynnwys allweddol o'r teclyn. Byddem yn gwerthfawrogi eich help i ddosbarthu rhain i sefydliadau lleol sy'n gweithio ar y rheng flaen.

Bydd y teclyn brysbennu'n parhau i gael ei ddatblygu gyda'r mathau o gymorth yn cael eu hychwanegu a'u dileu wrth iddynt ddod yn berthnasol. Os oes gennych unrhyw sylwadau neu awgrymiadau ar y teclyn, gallwch gysylltu â ni drwy e-bost:

LGCHR-Cangen.Branch@gov.wales

Diolch yn fawr.

pass on the word to any organisations you work with locally who may be helping people on the front line. We've included some social media graphics and suggested messages to help you with this.

We also understand that not everyone is online. When promoting the tool we will be reinforcing the message that anyone needing urgent support should contact their local authority in the first instance - this will include the digitally excluded. We have developed some information sheets / booklets picking out some of the key content from the tool around which you will find included. We'd appreciate your help in getting these out to local organisations working on the front line.

The triage tool will continue to be developed with forms of support added and removed as they becomes relevant. If you have any thoughts or suggestions on the tool then you can get in touch with us via:

LGCHR-Cangen.Branch@gov.wales

Thank you.

Invoice 2019-20

From: Stu <stubees1957@hotmail.com>

Sent: Sun, 28 Jun, 2020 at 08:52

To: clerk@nantygloandblainatc.co.uk

Invoice 2019-20.docx (42.3 KB)

Hi Tracy,

My invoice for the Internal Audit undertaken during 2019-20 is attached.

Please do not hesitate in contacting me if there are any queries regarding this, otherwise a cheque payment sent to my home address will be fine.

Should the Council wish to reappoint me for the 2020-21 year, I have decided to hold my fee at the current level (£1,120) in acknowledgement of the challenges all local authorities are currently experiencing.

Best wishes and once again thank you for your continuing support during the past year.

Kind regards and stay well.

Stuart

**Stuart Bees,
6 Gantref Way,
Ebbw Vale,
Blaenau Gwent,
NP23 5LP**

**Home: 01495 304247
Mob : 07792169604
E mail : stubees1957@hotmail.com**

Raise awareness of biodiversity & its importance	Through the annual Nantyglo and Blaina in Bloom the Council has begun to see an increase in the community's interest and participation in biodiversity, particularly from groups such as sheltered housing complexes together with the use and maintenance of unused areas for increased biodiversity. NBTC has facilitated local litter picks and have equipment which can be loaned to community groups for this purpose.	Events Committee
Safeguard principal species and habitats	NBTC have queried and raised concerns over possible destruction of hedgerows and other natural habitats including the possible impact and endangerment to wildlife such as bats and reptiles with regards to local planning applications. Such monitoring is ongoing.	Planning & Highways Committee
Restore & create habitats and resilient ecological networks	NBTC has applied for the 'Butterfly Garden Kit' from Keep Wales Tidy. It is the Council's intent to plant to roadside verges of the main A467 main road which runs parallel with Nantyglo and Blaina.	Events Committee
Tackle negative factors e.g. reduce pollution, use nature based solutions, address invasive species	The Council no longer considers any requests for events etc that could have an adverse impact upon the biodiversity of the area e.g. balloon races and plastic duck races in the local river.	All Committees (as detailed above)
Use, improve and share evidence	As progress is made evidence will be reported through the Council website, social media and at appropriate local events.	Town Council website and social media as appropriate
Support capacity and/or other organisations	The Council is aiming to build upon our initial plans as previously stated in this report and also look to identify additional areas for increased planting of native and/or appropriate plants/trees. Additionally the Council hope to build upon these plans by working collaboratively with other local organisations such as youth groups, schools, residential homes and allotment groups.	Planning & Highways Committee and Events Committee.

Planning Consultation C/2020/0154 20 Bournville Road, Blaenau

From: Nicola.Ferguson@blaenau-gwent.gov.uk

Sent: Wed, 15 Jul, 2020 at 08:43

To: clerk@nantygloandblainatc.co.uk

image001.jpg (28.1 KB) image002.jpg (3.6 KB) image003.jpg (3.7 KB)

Application Form Redacted.pdf (2.2 MB) Block plan.pdf (442.2 KB) Layout plan & elevations.pdf (378.1 KB)

Site location plan.pdf (617 KB) -- **Download all**

Date: 15 July 2020

Planning Ref: C/2020/0154

FAO: Town Council

Dear Sir/Madam,

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990

APPLICATION FOR PLANNING PERMISSION

PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT AT: Stephen Pegler, 20 Bournville Road, Abertillery,
Blaenau Gwent, NP13 3ER

I enclose herewith an application form and location plan in respect of a planning application for development at the above site.

Please forward your observations upon the intended development within 21 days of the date of this letter. If no communication is received within this time the application will be determined on the assumption that you have no comments to make.

Yours faithfully
Joanne White

OBSERVATIONS

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Signed:

Dated:

2. Applicant Details

Primary number

Secondary number

Email address

Are you an agent acting on behalf of the applicant?

Yes No

3. Agent Details

No Agent details were submitted for this application

4. Description of Proposed Works

Please describe the proposed works:

Proposed steel frame over existing flat roof garage to support raised amenity area and balustrade

Has the work already been started without planning permission?

Yes No

5. Pedestrian and Vehicle Access, Roads and Rights of Way

Is a new or altered vehicle or pedestrian access proposed to or from the public highway?

Yes No

Do the proposals require any diversions, extinguishment and/or creation of public rights of way?

Yes No

Please show details of any existing or proposed rights of way on or adjacent to the site, as well as any alterations to pedestrian and vehicle access, on your plans or drawings.

6. Trees and Hedges

Are there any trees or hedges on the site or adjoining the proposed site that would be affected by the development?

Yes No

If you have answered Yes, you may need to provide a survey before your application can be validated. Your local planning authority can advise on whether a survey is required, in accordance with the current 'BS5837: Trees in relation to design, demolition and construction - Recommendations'

7. Biodiversity and Geological Conservation

Does your proposal involve:

(i) demolition of a building?

Yes No

(ii) alterations or enlargement to your roof?

Yes No

(iii) the loss of any trees or hedgerows?

Yes No

NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES DIVISION
PLANNING CONTROL SECTION

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If you have answered Yes to any of the above questions, you may be required to submit a biodiversity survey to your local planning authority with your application form.

Your local planning authority will be able to advise you further, guidance is also available in the help text.

8. Site Visit

Can the site be seen from a public road, public footpath, bridleway or other public land?

Yes No

If the planning authority needs to make an appointment to carry out a site visit, whom should they contact? (Please select only one)

- The agent
- The applicant
- Other person

**12. Agricultural Holding Certificate Town and Country Planning
(Development Management Procedure) (Wales) Order 2012**

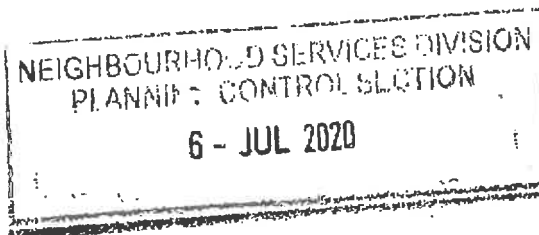
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Surname Pagler
Declaration Date 28/06/2020

☒ Declaration made

13. Declaration

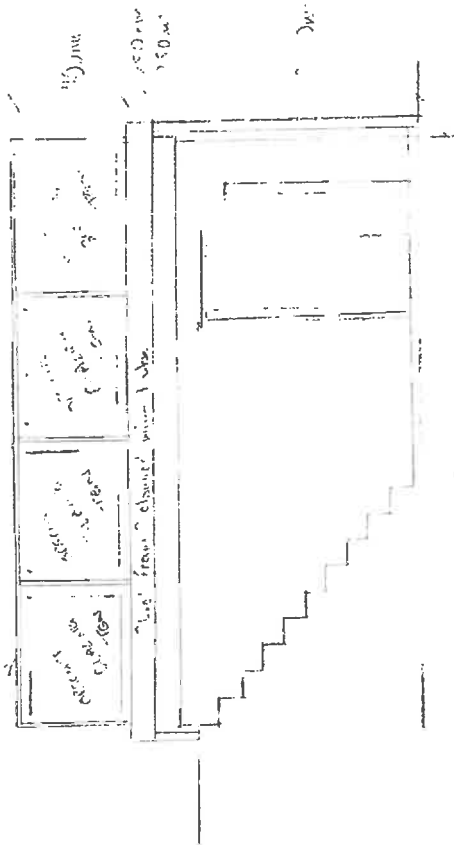
I/we hereby apply for planning permission as described in this form and the accompanying plans/drawings and additional information. I confirm that, to the best of my knowledge, any facts stated are true and accurate and any opinions given are the genuine opinions of the persons giving them. ☒

Date (cannot be pre- 06/07/2020
application)



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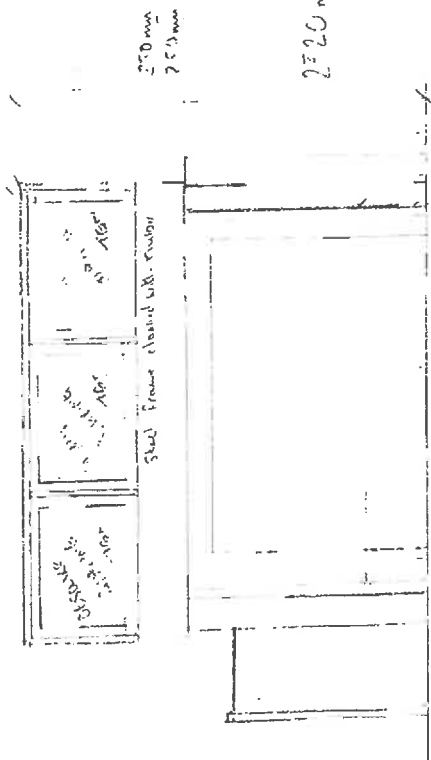
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Shed frame closed with timber

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NANTYGLO & BLAINA TOWN COUNCIL CYNGOR TREF NANT-Y-GLO A BLAENAU

Council Offices, Blaina Institute, High Street, Blaina. NP13 3BN
TEL: 01495 292817 e-mail: clerk@nantygloandblainatc.co.uk

Mrs T Hughes - Town Clerk/RFO

Community Grant Application Form 2020/21

NANTYGLO & BLAINA

14 JUL 2020

TOWN COUNCIL

Please contact the Town Clerk if you require any information or assistance in completing the application form

Section 1: Contact Information

Applicant Name/Group Name:

Llys Y Capel Social fund

Contact Name:

Mrs Rita Maidment

Contact Address:

14 Llys Y Capel, Hope Street, Blaina , Gwent, NP13 3HA

Contact Email Address:

C/O – susan.nipper@taicalon.org

Daytime Telephone Number:

01495 292969

Your position in the group:

Treasurer

Section 2: Tell us about your group

What category does your project fall into (please tick all relevant boxes):

Children/Education

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Health & Wellbeing

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Environment

☒

Arts & Culture

☐

Elderly

☒

Active Lifestyles

☒

Section 3: Tell us about the community activity you wish to support

Are you applying for, or receiving funding from another source? Yes ☐ No ☒

If so, where from and how much?

Please explain what the community grant support will be used for?

We would like to plant new flowers to encourage wildlife and possibly set up a small vegetable plot so we can continue to grow each year with our communal garden at Llys Y Capel sheltered scheme. We have an active group that maintains the garden to an excellent standard. We take pride in the garden and want to make the garden more inclusive to other residents at the scheme. We have been successful for many years with Tai Calons annual gardening competitions and the Nantyglo and Blaina in Bloom Presentation evening organised by the town council, where we were very fortunate enough to achieve the Community Group Award. The new plants will enable other residents, wheelchair users and family to take part in the gardening with ease and comfort and enhance the local area.

How will your project benefit Nantyglo and Blaina?

- Reduces isolation and loneliness in Residents in the area.
- Its Important to give tenants a sense of self worth.
- Friends and family can get involved improving relationships between residents and their family.
- It will improve the appearance of the area as the garden can be seen from the road.
- Up skills the community.
- Locally sourced plants supporting local business in the area.

FORM NO. 120

NANTYGLO & BLAINA TOWN COUNCIL

CYNGOR TREF NANT-Y-GLO A BLAENAU

Council Offices, Blaina Institute, High Street, Blaina. NP13 3BN
TEL: 01495 292817 e-mail: clerk@nantygloandblainatc.co.uk

Mrs T Hughes - Town Clerk/RFO

Community Grant Application Form

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NANTYGLO & BLAINA

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Section 1: Contact Information

TOWN COUNCIL

Applicant Name/Group Name:

Friends of Cwrt Mytton Residential Home Abertillery

Contact Name:

Mrs Anita Banks

Contact Address:

41 Lansbury Tce
Beaufort
Ebbw Vale#
NP23 5QX

Contact Email Address:

farmanita@hotmail.com

Daytime Telephone Number:

01495 619426

Your position in the group:

A resident family member

Section 2: Tell us about your group

What category does your project fall into (please tick all relevant boxes):

Children/Education

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Health & Wellbeing

☒

Environment

☐

Other

☐

Arts & Culture

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Elderly

☒

Active Lifestyles

☐

Section 3: Tell us about the community activity you wish to support

Are you applying for, or receiving funding from another source?

Yes

☐

No

☐

If so, where from and how much?

Ocasional raffle ticket sales and donations from friends and family

Please explain what the community grant support will be used for?

To provide a gentle exercise classes for the residents to attend biweekly sessions to improve their mobility and dexterity.

Music therapy classes to assist the residents with memory and reminiscence through the medium of music.

To organise local theatre trips, once permitted.

Contribute to the upkeeping of pets corner (Guinea Pigs) which are comforting and smoothing for the residents.

To contribute towards refreshments for visiting school children as the visits helps maintain residents links to the community.

How will your project benefit Nantyglo and Blaina?

The majority of residents are from Blaenau Gwent, with 9 residents are from Nantyglo and Blaina.

Further to our meeting

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Dear fellow councillors,

Further to our digital meeting of yesterday, while writing these lines I am remembering the countless number of people of this wonderful country of Wales who;

Contributed their pennies to help build the Libraries and Public Institutions,

Were instrumental for the establishment of the NHS,

And, **those Chartists** who marched from our valleys demanding social justices.

Hence, I am writing to propose the following;

Blaenau Gwent Borough Council

To contact the leader of Blaenau Gwent County Borough Council (Cllr. Nigel Daniels), if you recall from his message dated the 22nd of May 2020, he stated;

"There's no doubt that the last few weeks have been a real learning curve for all organisations and businesses, in both the public and private sectors, and we've had to move quickly to change many of our working practices." (1)

The above lines of his message caught my attention especially the use of the words used 'learning curve'; for me going through the learning curve is not easy and sometimes it is painful, however knowledge and experience has to be gained to move on for the better.

First, let us ask him about what have been the learning experiences our borough council has gained, and if it is alright for that information to be shared with the local town councils.

For me, it is so important that we all share our learning experiences, and for that knowledge to be cascaded down from our borough council to others so that we all able to serve our communities to the best of our abilities.

And, **secondly** to raise the question of how to empower the local councils in Blaenau Gwent for more active engagement with the public.

Mapping

The project done by Nicola and Tracy of mapping different groups in Blaina/Nantyglo is very important, and I would like to propose to make it an active working project for our council.

Community Building

My passion in life is about bringing people together working hand in hand for the betterment of our communities, I would like to share a short video link from You Tube which highlights the principle of the importance of community building.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uEl9zbe4ru4>