## **REPORT FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR HEULWEN HULME – RHIWCYNON WARD**

### **MARCH 2023**

## **POWYS REGIONAL PARTNERSHIP BOARD**

The Regional Partnership Board brings together a range of public service representatives including the council, health board, third sector as well as citizens and carers, to ensure that people work together better to improve health and wellbeing across Powys.

We hope these newsletters will keep you posted.

You can always find more information on the RPB's website and Twitter account – www.powysrpb.org / @powysrpb

# **CITIZENS ADVICE BUREAU UPDATE**

We increased people's incomes by £4,329,907 helping them to afford essential living costs. Dealt with 11,625 requests for advice and support. Achieved a total of £334k debts written off for clients. Helped access to £1,769,774 of welfare benefits. Negotiated £2,226,254 debts in total.

# EDUCATION TRANSFORMATION BRIEFING

A briefing on the high proportion of small schools i.e.72 of which 4 have less than 35 pupils. Decreasing pupils numbers. High number of surplus places in both primary and secondary schools. Building condition. Financial pressures on school budgets. Inequality in access to welsh medium provision. Limited post 14 and post 16 offer.

# AUDIT WALES GOVERNANCE REVIEW WORKSHOP

The role of cabinet portfolio holders to provide assurance against progress, processes and impact of performance management within the Council.

The role of the Chief Executive in leading the Executive Management Team (EMT) on strategic or operational matters of significance and holding Executive Director accountable for their specific areas of responsibility. Ensuring the Corporate and Strategic Equality Plan can deliver on all services for our residents. Ensuring Senior Leadership Team and EMT continue to look for service improvement, culture and good working practices via their quarterly Performance Management briefings.

### **CREDU BRIEFING**

A most fascinating morning listening to life stories from adult and children unpaid carers. One lady had been a carer for 76 years and a young girl from the age of 14. There are up to 35000 carers in Powys of which there has been a 56% increase since 2011 and 10693 extra carers since Covid 19. We were told about the 'Young Carers Policy' that is now in our schools and how schools identify and support in the transition of young carers from junior school through to high school and possibly onto university. How schools ensure safeguarding is at the forefront ensuring the young carers are supported at school and home.

### NEUADD MALDWYN INDEPENDENT LIVING FOR OLDER PEOPLE.

Clwyd Alyn Housing Association in conjunction with Powys County Council is developing 66 self contained one and two bedroom apartments for rent, for individuals aged 60 years and over with an assessed care or support need. Live an independent lifestyle backed up by care and support as you need it. This is primarily for Powys residents or for people with strong connections to the area.

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### PLANNING IN THE RHIWCYNON WARD

- ABERHAFESP PLANNING
- 23/0113/FUL Erection of a general agricultural building on land at SY17 5NE
- 23/0269/FUL Erection of Agric building to cover existing manure store Bank Farm, Aberhafesp SY16 3LS

- DWYRIW PLANNING
- BOC/20/0242 Pavement at Plas Coch, Ardwyn, Dolwar Fach, Awel Las, Cefn Coch SY21 0AE
- BOC/22/0184 Pavement at Cyntaf ac Olaf, Penymynedd, Delfryn, golygfa Uchel, Cefn Coch SY21 0AE
- 22/2175/FUL Removal of existing wind turbine and installation of new wind turbine at land west of Nant Wyllt, Cefn Coch.
- 22/2070/AGR Erector of portal shed for storage of fodder/machinery, Argae Fields, New Mills SY16 3NG
- 22/2217/FUL Lateral extension to extraction area at Tan Y Foel Quarry, Cefn Coch, SY21 OAN

# MANAFON PLANNING

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- OPDE/22/0160 Brynteg, New Mills, SY16 3NQ case closed but re-opened.
- 23/0308/REM to alter previously approved plans, Lower House Farm, Manafon SY21 8BJ
- TREGYNON PLANNING
- 19/1633/REM Section 73 Conditions at Dolycoed, Tregynon SY16 3PY
- 22/0760/RES Reserved matters for land opposite Llys Cynon, Tregynon SY16 3EJ
- 23/0165/HH Demolition of conservatory & extension to rear of 1 Llys Melyn, Tregynon SY16 3EE
- 23/0326/FUL Installation of a modular building + paved area, Ysgol Rhiw Bechan, Tregynon SY16 3EH

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