

Gwernymynydd & Cadole

NEWYDDION Y PENTREFI COMMUNITY NEWS

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Achievements in 2021/22

Working with the trustees of the Village Centre, the Council has invested in producing and maintaining a wildflower meadow, an orchard, bee hives, and a much needed dog walking area.

They pay energy bills for a number of streetlights which are still in their ownership.

They funded and maintain several planters throughout the village.

The Summer Playscheme is funded by the Council in partnership with the County Council (their share this year was £1350). The scheme is free for all 5-12 yr olds. Funding for next year has already been allocated.

The Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations were funded by the Council and organised in conjunction with the Village Centre trustees.

A Remembrance Service was held at the Cenotaph in November.

The Council maintains the defibrillator at the centre whose purchase was funded by them.

The Council also considers all planning applications and how they fit in with the Village Plan. Any negative comments are raised with the Local Planning Authority.

What is the Community Council?

Community Councils bridge the gap between Local Authorities (in our case Flintshire County Council) and residents.

Gwernymynydd Community Council meets at 7pm on the last Thursday of each month except August and December, at Gwernymynydd Village Centre.

The majority of their funds come from the precept (an amount of money added to the Council tax and based on the number of people on the electoral roll in the community.)

At the end of 2022 the long serving Community Council Clerk, Martin Richardson retired and the Council appointed Mrs Colette Buckley in his place.

Contact: **Colette Buckley**: buckleycolette@aol.com

The full annual report can be found on the village website: www.gwernymynydd.org.uk which is maintained by Mr John Seddon.

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Waste and recycling

This article from Flintshire County Council is not new but has some helpful bits of information:

We can recycle all plastic except film and black plastic. Ignore all the marks and stamps - it goes through our recycling centre for further checking.

We can also recycle foil including pie trays and aluminium foil - as long as it is clean otherwise it will contaminate the batch - as well as tins and aerosol sprays."

Facilities are able to take large boxes but ask that they are collapsed and folded down so they can fit in the wagons and ask people not to pack them up with additional waste as it makes it difficult for the crews to take them.

Plastic, aluminium, tins and Tetra packs can go together in one bag as it is then sorted at the recycling station in Buckley.

"The contract states that no plastic waste is to leave Europe, most waste is recycled locally. The residual waste goes to Parc Adfer, our new energy from waste facility that can generate enough electricity to power 30,000 homes.

"Regarding food waste, bones and teabags can go in. The biomass facility at St Asaph turns it into electricity and liquid fertilizer and they will deal with teabags that have plastic in them."

"If you have small pieces of paper, pack it into cereal or other small food boxes so it does not blow away. Also, put tin lids inside the tins, and milk bottle tops push inside milk bottles and squeeze the air out. Additional waste often crops up over the Christmas period that people be aware of, including wrapping paper - which can have traces of plastic or foil in without being apparent.

If in doubt people should administer the scrunch test - which is done by simply scrunching a sample of paper together into a tight ball and seeing if the it stays in shape or bounces back open.

If the paper stays scrunched in a ball, then you know it can be recycled. If the paper fails, then it cannot be recycled and should be put out in black bin bags.

Christmas Cards can be also recycled but this must be without glitter and foil. You can cut round these elements of a card and keep them out of what can be put in your recycling.

There will be no collections on Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Year's Day. Household Recycling Centres will be open every day, except for Christmas Day.



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Gwernymynydd Pantomime Group – Press Release 1

After a long and much awaited 2 years, The Gwernymynydd Pantomime Group is finally back in action!

This year the group will be performing its 11 th show, with the hit pantomime of Aladdin. The incredible cast and crew have been working their socks off since September to deliver you a show like no other. Once again, the show has been re-written and directed by Cameron Williams and follows the traditional story of Aladdin with lots of exciting twists and turns along the way and of course a barrel full of laughs.

Director Cameron Williams says “This year has been the greatest challenge yet for the pantomime group. Due COVID-19, a 2-year break means that we are essentially starting from scratch again, but we are determined to make this year’s pantomime the best one yet! We have a lot of new faces on the stage this year which has been a refreshing and welcoming change and has brought a completely different dynamic to the show. I am constantly amazed by the level of talent that is in the area and the dedication of the cast and crew. I am sure that the audiences will be blown away when they see the show on stage!”

Chair of the pantomime committee Karen Jones says, “I am very pleased with the progress of the show this year, it’s shaping up to be another great pantomime and I can’t wait for the show to go on stage and for our audiences to be amazed!”

Aladdin will be showcasing from the 23 rd – 25 th February 2023 at the Gwernymynydd Village Hall, with 4 performances. Tickets will be on sale from the 8th January 2023 for only £7 each and can be booked by contacting Karen Jones (01352 752514) or by visiting The Swan Inn in Gwernymynydd.

**TICKETS
ON SALE**
8th January 2023
only
£7 each

CHRISTMAS

...began early in Gwernymynydd with a lively weekend event to switch on the Christmas tree lights at the Village Centre. There were lots of visitors including a very special one

The afternoon raised £450.80 towards the costs of maintaining the Village Centre and Santa Claus sent the surplus selection boxes to the Polish Integration Support Centre to provide aid to assist Ukrainian refugees.

Thank you to George Godwin and the team of Centre trustees.



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Gwernymynydd Village Centre

The Village Centre is run by a Management Committee who are all Charity Trustees.

Their main job is to make sure that the Centre stays 'in the black'. There is always room for more committee members. At the moment there is a need for people to train as:

- a) treasurer
- b) booking secretary

That sounds very serious... it just means that you could work with the person currently doing the job whilst you 'pick up the reins'!!!

Why not give it a go??

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