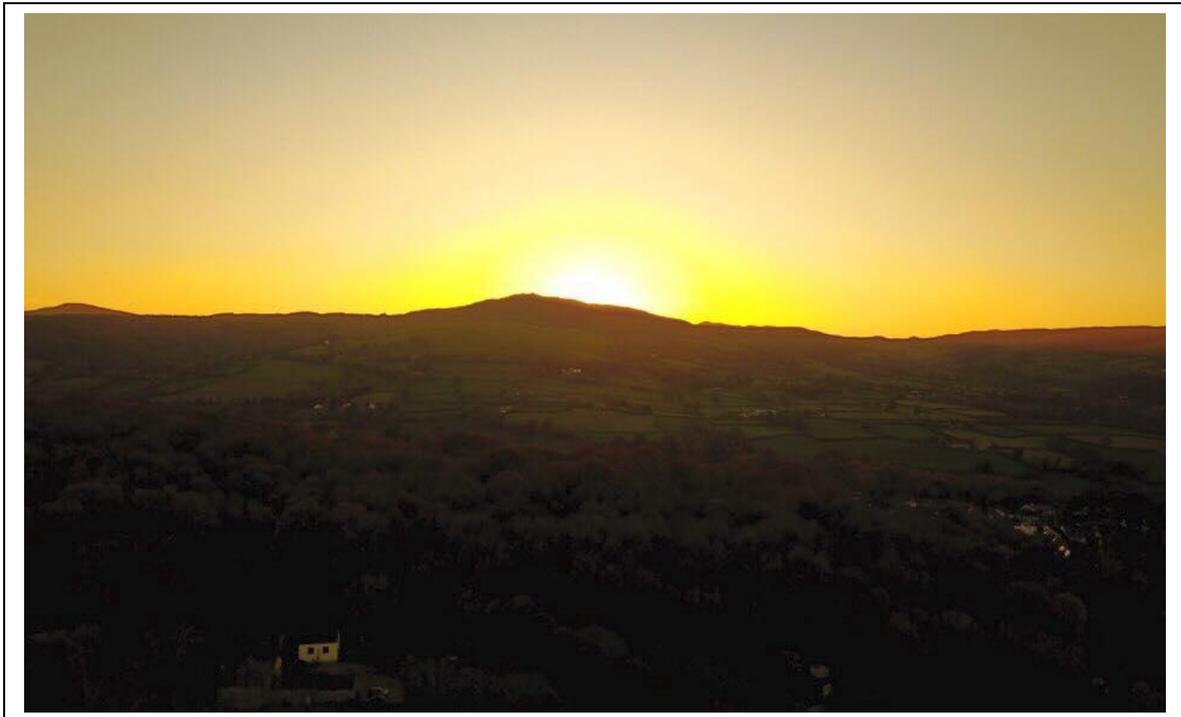




**Gwernaffield and Pantymwyn
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Autumn Sunset by Gareth Wright

Have you a photo of your Group, Club, or the Locality then please contact:

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Community Council News

- Correspondence received from Mr Iwan Cale, Contracts Surveyor at Flintshire County Council with regard to item 8 on July's agenda who reported the identification of two large grassed verge areas which can be converted into 10 car parking spaces which will be clearly delineated and signage provided to emphasis parking for residents only. Officers from Flintshire County Council had spoken with 3 residents at the time of the inspection at Tan Y Hafod and discussed car parking problems and potential solutions to the issues which they received positively. Inclusion of the new car parking spaces will be during the next financial year 2018/2019 at the latest.
- The clerk reported an email was received in August from a Mr Lee Shone, Road Safety Officer at Flintshire County Council apologising for the delay in responding to the concerns the community council had raised earlier in 2017 regarding parking issues at Y Waen, particularly around school picking up and drop off times. Mr Shone reported that the request has been scored in line with Flintshire's traffic regulation order policy and it falls outside of the top five for funding this financial year. Mr Shone further notes in relation to the community councils concerns about motorists obstructively parking being an offence and is subject to enforcement action by North Wales Police. Therefore he will ensure it is reported to North Wales Police.
- The clerk reported on a letter received from Mr Gary Nancarrow, Manager Minerals and Waste Planning in response to the community council raising concerns after speaking with some local residents about the noise from blasts at the Cefn Mawr Quarry. The 4 page letter will be uploaded on the Notice Board of the Community Council website www.gwernaffield.org.uk . The clerk reported the letter states the blasting limits imposed on Cefn Mawr Quarry are the most stringent in North Wales, partly due to the close proximity of a number of dwellings. The quarry is considered to be one of the exemplar operations and they have no concerns with regard to blasting. However, they have raised concerns with the quarry relating to cleanliness of the highway between the quarry entrance and junction with the A494(T).
- Mr G Nancarrow, Minerals and Waste Planning at Flintshire County Council attended the October meeting and gave a brief presentation and answer questions following concerns by residents about blasting from Cefn Mawr Quarry, Pantybuarth.

- The Community Council were anticipating PCSO Chey Arrowsmith to meetings. Community Councillors expressed their disappointment and requested the clerk write to a senior police officer, due to lack of communication following the police attendance at the June 2017 meeting.
- Mr Steve Roscoe has been co-opted for role of community councillor for the Pantymwyn Ward.
- The community council owned community shelters were discussed. Concern was expressed about keeping them looked after. It was proposed by Cllr. Pritchard and seconded by Cllr. Hopwood that the shelters be stored with Cllr. Vaughan for safe keeping and to check on their condition on return. A deposit of £20.00 was agreed for the hire of the shelters by members of the community.
- Mr Andy Lightfoot, Streetscene co-ordinator had contacted the clerk with an update..
He has notified the resource team that there should be no overflowing dog waste. Work tickets have been sent out for pruning around road signs, as a priority as this has been out standing for several months now. Also around the light at Pantymwyn Bus stop.
Cllr. Pritchard noted the trees in Y Waen still require pruning and Cll K Johnson reported concerns from some residents about an overgrown tree on the Links, Gwernaffield. The partially fallen tree in the conservation garden has been raised with leisure services, they have now removed this tree and pruned others.
- John Griffiths, of Landscapes and Groundwork has topped up the footpath between Y Waen and Caer Rhug Lane with aggregate at no cost to the Council
- A stile which was in a state of disrepair off Pen Y Fron Road, Pantymwyn has been replaced with a kissing gate which is much improved.
- The clerk to provide new councillors with the list of community council owned lights.
- Cllr. Pritchard and the clerk have met with Mr G Edwards of Deeco lighting. They reported the LED lighting renewal project, which is gradually replacing the old sox (orange) lights with LED, energy

efficient lighting and which emit lower light pollution was at a half way point. There are in the region of 50 lights across both villages remaining which overtime will require replacement. This project has reduced the electricity bills for the community council and the annual maintenance contract paid by Deeco.

- Cllr. Pritchard proposed to source and price Christmas lights for the community, Councillors voted unanimously for this to go ahead.
- A proposal from Cllr Pritchard of £700 financial assistance which was seconded by Cllr. Roberts for maintenance of the church yard and cemetery in Gwernaffield. This was agreed by the Council.
- The Chair briefed the meeting about Pantymwyn Photography group's "History In The Making Project". Councillors agreed by majority to make a financial contribution of £50.00 during 2018. This was proposed by Cllr. Roberts and seconded by Cllr. Pritchard.
- Cllr. Pritchard asked the clerk to enquire if Mr Partner would take a photograph of the community councillors. (see below)
- The clerk reported the Playing Field Trust wish to apply for match funding with Aura Leisure to invest in upgrading play equipment in Gwernaffield Park some of which Flintshire County Council has reported as being beyond economic repair. A proposal by Cllr. Elcock and seconded by Cllr. Bolton of £850 toward new play equipment for Gwernaffield Play Area. This will be added to the £4000 already raised through fundraising by the Playing Field Trust. Flintshire County Council will be requested to match fund for new play equipment.
- Cllr. Karen Armstrong had attended the LDP event at County on 25 July. Cllr Armstrong's briefing notes had been circulated by the clerk for community councillors.
- Cllr. Tattum has been approached by a resident to ask if the Community Council can consider a bus shelter opposite The Crown in Pantymwyn. The resident believes she may be able to raise some funds through sponsorship. Councillors agreed this should be something which is considered again when agreeing the budget as part of the precept setting in 2018.

Planning Applications

Cornerways, Cefn Bychan Road, Pantymwyn The clerk reported on correspondence from Flintshire County Council advising of an appeal by the developer following the refusal of planning permission.

Planning Ref Number: 057276 Apple Tree House, Cilcain Road, Gwernaffield

RESOLVED: No objections

Planning Ref 057347 Tryfan, Cefn Bychan Road, Pantymwyn

RESOLVED: No objections.

Planning Ref 057108 **Mold Golf Club**

The clerk had liaised with the councillors during August and an objection was submitted to Flintshire County Council primarily to do with the building's location being remote from the golf club and close to a public footpath and the possibility this could become a magnet for people to hang around.

The Barracks, Pant Y Buarth, Gwernaffield, Mold, Flintshire, CH7 5ER (During the discussion the clerk left the room.)

A number of people attended and sat in the public gallery. At the Chair's discretion the community council heard from local residents. Objections from the Council were raised primarily due to impact on highway safety, residential amenity, usage and habitat.

RESOLVED: That the clerk object on behalf of the Community Council.

Tal Y Llyn, Cilcain Road, Pantymwyn, Mold, Flintshire, CH7 5EH. Erection of extension to front and side of existing bungalow.

RESOLVED: No objections



SCARECROW COMPETITION

There was some excellent entries this year, a total of 26 residents had registered. A presentation evening was held in the Crown with the Judges presenting the prizes.

There was a lot of good feedback from the community regarding the competition and families enjoyed either walking or driving round the community and of course feelings were divided as to whose entry was the best, hopefully more of you will take part next year.



Just a few of this years entries, you can view all of them on the Community Council Website www.gwernaffield.org.uk (Gallery)

Local Businesses in Gwernaffield and Pantymwyn include:

David Smith : Chartered Certified Accountant Accountancy and Taxation Services 01352 740166 / 07748 417261 / d.smith989@btinternet.com

sdm joinery specialists limited

t: 01352 758837 f: 01352 757594 e: DylanKensall@sdmjoinery.co.uk

G.R. Pickstock, Carpenter and Joiner. 01352 740 355

Home Enhancement

Ron and Steve Gander, Drevern, 1, Caer Gog, Pantymwyn

John Griffiths Landscape & Groundwork 01352 751008

KMJ Construction

Plasterer, Plastering and property maintenance 07717205991

MjR Plastering and Artexing

Contact via facebook or text message 01352 741063 /07722207750

Seddon's Electrical 01352 741274 / 0771 041 2850

Richard Lloyd Painter and Decorater - 07766256228

Heritage Construction _Tel: 01352 741470 Mob: 07930659207

Email: rodmorgan123@googlemail.co

APPLEGREEN - Oven Cleaning 01352 385100 / 07415953176

Country Ceramics. (Tiling) Nigel Dodd www.countryceramics.co.uk

07858 952356.

Cakes to Di for

Hours - Always open - 07867504214 www.facebook.com/Cakes-to-Di-for

Sunbeams Playgroup+ 2 -4 year olds - 9am – 3pm Community Room

Ysgol Y Waun Contact Rachel Foley - 01352740268

Lisa Wheildon - Little Acorns Registered Childminder Pantymwyn

Open Mon-Fri 7.30-5.30 Contact me on 07739422403 or

littleacornsmold@outlook.com

Dog Walking & Gardening

K9 Cuts Beverley Roberts dog grooming and walking. Home boarding for dogs (fully insured) 07764963913/ 01352 740386

Trek Health and Fitness - Tess Anderson

Gentle exercise and relaxation, areotone, freestyle yoga

07815015116 www.trekhealthandfitness.com

Dragon Motor Services - Pant - y – Buarth - Offering Servicing and

MOT's - 01352 741160

Garden Design

Anna Tyrrell, Cae Rhug Lane, Gwernaffield, CH7 5DY

01352 740280 07828 471448 annatyrrell@uwclub.net

Julie and Selina Hair Salon

Moel Famau Bungalow, Pen-y-Fron Road, Pantymwyn, CH7 5EF.

01352 740 654

Healing

Reiki and Seichem Healing. Anna Tyrrell, annatyrrell@uwclub.net

Private tutoring - 07972 087475 or the_chemist@btinternet.com

Angelsea Training Services Darren Angelsea, Bryn Golen, Gwernaffield, CH7 5DY coachdarren@btopenworld.com

Man and Van for Hire. Mr Hugh Roberts - Mobile 07523853655

Milk Delivery Doorstep service

M & V White Milk delivery 01352 740 606

Music Groups:

'Jon Bleur' contact:

Wayne Morgan 01352 741267 waynemorgan@hotmail.com

Rockmisfits - for more information contact: Brian Williams 07968 332350

Newsagent and Post office Post Mistress. Liz Parker 01352 741532

Mon – Sat 09:00 – 13:00 – Sunday 08:00 – 13:00 Newspaper deliveries

Crown Inn, Pantymwyn - Great food - 01352 740462

Hand Inn, Gwernaffield – 01352 740581

Community room's - to book please contact;

Pantymwyn Village Hall: Pauline - 01352 740140

Gwernaffield Church Hall: Gwyneth - 01352 740488

Ysgol Y Waun - 01352 740362

Mold Golf Club – secretary 01352 741513



Some of the snow men/sculpture Competition entries in December

**HAPPY NEW YEAR TO EVERYONE from the
PANTYMWYN VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

Another highly successful year with record use by community run groups. We are very lucky to have such a warm and friendly venue where we can meet one another. Thank you to all groups who organise activities & use the hall to its full potential.

Monday Indoor Bowls 2-4pm & Photo Group 7:30- 9pm

Tues Art 9:30-11:30, Soups 12-1:00, WI 1:45 -4pm, Rainbows

Wed Crafters & Brownies

Thurs Table Tennis 9:30-11:30

Fri Indoor Bowls 10 -12 noon

Saturday Events Village Hall Committee

Sunday Chapel & the film & entertainment's group

Please contact us if you would like to start a new community group. Hall hire is very competitive.



The Hall has been in Pantymwyn since 1948 & we will be celebrating its 70th birthday in 2018. Any ideas to Pauline 740140

CONGRATULATIONS

Marlene Clarke from Gwernaffield has recently won a short story writing competition for Welsh learners, for a story written in the Welsh language. The competition was run by U3A in Wales. Marlene is also Artist in Residence at the Pantymwyn Village Hall Art Group & exhibits her work in the Helfa Gelf Art Trail.

Pantymwyn WI Tuesdays at the Village Hall

Jan 9th 1:45 pm Debbie Barton speaking about Nightingale House

Feb 6th 1:45 pm Paul Davies Buckley Pottery

March 6th 1:45 pm Joan Corner Naughty but Nice

Pantymwyn WI celebrates its 70th birthday in 2018

New members always welcome!

Woolies For The World are a group founded by Pam Davey and they knit, crochet or sew items for charitable causes across the Uk. In 2017 alone they had over 110,000 handmade items donated to them that were all distributed to relevant and charitable campaigns. They support all Manner of charities.

Melanie Carlise and Kate Johnson would like to start a local community knit and natter group once a month for people to go along and either drop off donations, or sit and make something to donate.



The group will rely solely on donations so people would need to bring along their own projects and materials, although patterns can be provided or swapped.



They will provide tea, coffee and biscuits for a small donation, to keep tea and coffee supplies topped up, they can offer some help to beginners who want to join in but don't really know where to start.

You can contact either Kate Johnson or Melaine Carlise to show an interest.
07890646870 the_pixiecat@hotmail.co.uk Facebook

Once they have set up a location and regular meeting times they will put up posters and create a recurring event on Facebook.
In addition, the organisation founder, Pam Davey will join you and tell you more about them, providing an introduction and support for the group.

Councillor Johnson is looking for volunteers from the community to help out with gardening projects at both the Conservation Garden and the Playing Field.
If you can help then please contact her either by phone, email or message on
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Short Survey of Gwernaffield and Pantymwyn Residents Transport Needs

The Community Council is aware that Bus Services in Flintshire are under review by Flintshire County Council and at present are heavily subsidised as usage is low. This is a situation which we are informed cannot continue. Basically, in the future it may be a case of “use the service or potentially lose it”. In response, to this Gwernaffield and Pantymwyn Community Council want to do some basic fact finding about local transport needs in this community.

Gwernaffield and Pantymwyn Community Council are asking residents to take a couple of minutes to complete this short local transport survey. We will undertake to feed back any useful information to the County Council.

Please circle your response

1. Which village do you live in?

Gwernaffield

Pantymwyn

2. What is your current age?

Under 18

18 to 30

30 to 50

50 to 80

80+

3. What main form of transport do you currently use?

Own Car Shared Car Local Bus Service Taxi Bike

Other – please advise

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4. Is there anything which prohibits you from using the local bus service?

For example the cost, accessibility, time table – please advise?

5. What do you use your main form of transport for? Please circle your number one activity

Social / Leisure

Medical appointments / hospital

Shopping

Meeting up with friends

School/college

Getting to other amenities

Anything else ?

Is there anything else you wish to comment on in relation to community transport needs?

Please hand this form back to Councillor Kate Johnson or any local Councillor , or deposit in the box's in the Post Office, Pantymwyn Hall or Gwernaffield Church Hall.

Thank you for your time.

Please submit no later than 1st February 2018.

Contact Councillor Kate Johnson, should you have any questions in relation to this short survey?

07890646870 Or just email the_pixiecat@hotmail.co.uk