

Medrwn Môn Bulletin



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Medrwn Môn offers its best wishes to Derlwyn as he retires!



After 25 years of working for Medrwn Môn, Derlwyn Hughes is retiring as our Funding and Information Officer. Derlwyn is a highly valued member of the team and will be greatly missed in his role. Derlwyn's retirement marks the end of a career dedicated to making a difference in the lives of others, contributing to social causes and supporting community initiatives.

He said ***"I have many great memories of my time at Medrwn Môn, and will miss working with staff and other wonderful colleagues who have left over the years. I started work on 1st April, 2000, and I would like to express my gratitude to staff members and volunteers for your support, kindness over 25 wonderful years"***.

During his time as Funding and Information Officer Derlwyn has provided community groups and organisations with invaluable support and guidance about how to develop their projects, prepare and submit funding applications (**over £2.75 million of grants have been supported between 2023-2025**) and run those projects effectively through making sure that they have all the correct policies in place, access to training and are able to monitor and report about the benefits of those schemes.

Derlwyn had chaired and facilitated numerous key fund panels, distributing grants to communities. In the past couple of years those panels have supported over £572,000 worth of grants to community groups on Anglesey!

Hywel Lovgreen Funding Officer for the National Lottery has worked with Derlwyn on numerous grant applications, ***"Derlwyn is totally unique - knowing everyone and always with an amusing story to lift your heart. Medrwn will be a poorer place without his cheery face"***.

The Board and staff of Medrwn Môn would like to wish Derlwyn all the best for the future!



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Celebrating International Women's Day 2025

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On 4th March, our Chief Officer joined the stage with the Chief Officer's from FLVC and AVOW to celebrate International Women's Day 2025. The event was hosted by DVSC, Age Friendly Communities Denbighshire and Betsi Cadwaladr Health Board to highlight the Women's Health Plan North Wales and raise awareness of Endometriosis Month alongside International Women's Day.

Held at the Pavillion in Rhyl, over 400 attendees came together to celebrate women who inspire so many of us on a daily basis. Other speakers included Carol Shillabeer (Chief Executive BCUHB) and Dr Helen Munro (Wales Clinical Lead for Women's Health).

Medrwn Môn was on over 70 partner organisations supported the event with information stands to compliment and raise awareness of the 8 priorities within the Women's Health Plan for Wales. Attendees were able to visit information stalls offering advice and information on Women's health and wellbeing including menopause advice, ageing well and the role of arts in health.

Feedback from the day included ***'It was truly informative and inspiring, with a focus on the real issues that women face daily. The event created an empowering space for discussion, reflection and learning. The speakers were exceptionally knowledgeable, and their speeches were not only insightful but also profoundly captivating'***.



Older People's Commissioner Visits the Island



The Older People's Commissioner for Wales Rhian Bowen-Davies was welcomed to Anglesey on the 26th March. During the visit there was an opportunity for the Commissioner to get a taste of the incredible work taking place across the Island to make Anglesey an Age-Friendly Island. This included a visit to Gwelfor Community Hub in Holyhead where the Commissioner got to see the volunteers and members of the Warm Space, Clothing Hub and Men's Shed. Afternoon entertainment was provided by Strings and Things!



The visit highlighted the invaluable contribution of volunteers and staff who go the extra mile on a weekly basis, to try and ensure that the residents of Anglesey maintain high quality of life. The Commissioner has expressed how much she enjoyed the week and is keen to return soon.

"It was great to visit Anglesey to learn more about the wide range of initiatives being delivered that are helping to make the Island Age-Friendly and are supporting people to live and age well. This action would not be possible without the energy and enthusiasm of volunteers and staff, and I'd like to thank them all for their hard work which is making a positive difference to the lives of so many older people."



Comisiynydd Pobl Hŷn Cymru
Older People's Commissioner for Wales

Community Safety Network

With the Police and Crime Commissioner Andy Dunbobbin

Medrwn Môn welcomed the Police and Crime Commissioner Andy Dunbobbin to this quarter's network event, focusing on community safety in our communities on Anglesey, where he spoke about the importance of partnership working to secure long term solutions to crime.

The network gave community members the opportunity to ask the Crime Commissioner questions about any crime and community safety concerns that they have, these included anti-social behaviour, youth crime, and funding. The session also promoted the signing of the compact between the Police and the Third sector, celebrating the strengths of partnership working to alleviate crime and improve safety in our communities.

Visit the Police and Crime Commissioner's website www.northwales-pcc.gov.uk/third-sector to learn more about the compact.

We were also pleased to host a guest speaker Sara from Edge Inclusion who gave a great presentation on community safety through early intervention using Mind Mechanics workshops as a tool.



Medrwn Môn signs the Healthy Travel Charter



Medrwn Môn are proud, along with 6 other Public Service Board members to have co-signed the Healthy Travel Charter on Thursday, 13th March at the Anglesey Business Centre, Llangefni in the presence of Ken Skates, Cabinet Secretary for Transport and North Wales. This is the first step on the journey completed, and now partners will move onwards to collaborate on the 15 steps together!



Organisations across Wales are showing their commitment to healthier and more sustainable forms of transport, by publicly signing a [Healthy Travel Charter](#). Each Charter contains a series of commitments the organisation will make over 2 or 3 years to support their staff and visitors to walk and cycle more, take public transport, and switch to electric vehicles.



Professor Andrew Edwards, Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Bangor University and Chair of Gwynedd & Anglesey Public Services Board, said: ***"Huge steps have been taken by the organisations who are here today to sign, and co-sign the Healthy Travel Charter to embed active travel and make it easier for staff to take the small steps to switch to walking, cycling and Public Transport for work-related travel."***

The Gwynedd and Anglesey Public Services Board is fortunate to have a pro-active and supportive Healthy Travel Charter Sub-Group which is supportive of each other, those organisations who are here today, to reach this significant milestone of signing the Charter"



New office, boosts wellness for staff

We've Moved – And We're Feeling Good!

We're all settled into our new office at **Suite A, Anglesey Business Centre, Llangefni** and things couldn't have gone more smoothly! The team are loving the fresh new space, and we've made sure it's not just a great place to work—but a place where we can all feel our best too.

In recent years, workplace wellbeing has become a big focus for many companies, and we're right there with them. That's why one of our favourite new additions is our wellness room—a bright, airy little haven where anyone can pop in to relax, recharge, or just take a breather. Whether you're feeling a bit stressed, need some quiet time, or just fancy a moment away from the desk, it's the perfect spot.

We've also introduced a couple of standing desks and a walking machine, and they've already been a hit! Walking while working (especially during Zoom calls!) has so many benefits—better posture, less back pain, more energy, and even a boost in mood. Since we moved, our team has racked up an incredible 473 miles walked and 79 miles on the walking machine alone. Not bad, right?

Lunchtime strolls are encouraged too—and we're loving the fresh air and movement in the middle of the day. It's amazing what a quick walk can do.

On the healthy eating front, we've stocked up on fresh fruit in our brand-new fruit bowl (though we're still partial to the odd slice of cake, especially when kind visitors bring it in!). Looking ahead, we've got some fun wellness days coming up, including walks out to Eglwys Gwyfan and some outdoor activities at Coed Actif. It's all about finding the right balance and making time for the things that keep us happy and healthy.

Here's to fresh starts, feeling good, and looking after each other—inside and outside the office!



Social Prescribing Day Event 2025



Our Local Asset Coordinator, Awen, had the pleasure of attending the North Wales Social Prescribing Event at Flintshire Ewloe Social Club on Monday, 31st March 2025. This event put a spotlight on evaluation - something we're deeply passionate about as we continue to show the real impact our services have on people's health and wellbeing.



Funding challenges was another big topic on the day, especially with the financial challenges we're all facing. Demand for our services keeps growing with an increase of 27% referrals last year, but funding is getting tighter, making these conversations more important than ever.



It was great to hear from so many different voices throughout the day, all helping to shape a shared understanding of the key issues around evaluation and funding. A video featuring one of our clients was presented on the day, highlighting how accessing our services has positively impacted her life—she now gives back by volunteering in her community.



A huge thank you to all our regional partners for such a fantastic and collaborative event! Let's keep working together to make sure everyone gets the support they need.

To learn more about our social prescribing service and how we support individuals, take a look at some real-life stories from people who've worked with our dedicated team. Click the link to explore: [Community Link | Medrwn Môn](#)



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Community Alliances

What's going on in your area?



Bodowyr - The projects that benefitted from the seed funding have been successful! Canolfan Brynsiencyn have purchased equipment for the film club and popular Bingo sessions, any profit goes towards day trips for residents. They have also replaced tables and chairs at the Hall.

Llanddaniel have purchased a new community bench and Ysgol Parc Y Bont have outdoor equipment which will benefit pupils and residents. The playground in Gaerwen has replaced the see saw and CELS has facilitated wellbeing camps across the Ward for children & young people. The Alliance want to move forward and map paths and cycle routes, making connections with public transport.

Bro'r Llynnoedd - The promotional pop up banner and gazebo are ready! Bro'r Llynnoedd are passionate about developing/promoting the Alliance and welcome new members. Representatives will be at the following events in the coming months, RAF family day, Anglesey show & Plas Llanfair dog show. Call by and chat about how you could be involved! You can also follow them on facebook **@cyngghrairBro'rLlynnoedd** to stay up to date with meetings and events.



The next meeting 06/05/25 6.30pm Veterans Hub, Valley

Aethwy Alliance is working hard to recruit more members! Do you live in **Star, Llanfairpwll, Penmynydd or Menai Bridge** and would like to get involved? The Alliance has identified priorities within the Ward and is looking at how they can address and support any issues and projects that will benefit the Community. The Alliance has distributed seed funding to local projects last summer including projects such as CELS, the Menai Bridge War Memorial Community Centre and Penmynydd Alms House project.

If you live or work in the area and want to get involved you can add your name to the contact list to receive an invitation to the next meeting.

Email **Ysgwrs@medrwnmon.org**



Caergybi Alliance's next meeting will be at the Town Hall, Holyhead on 30/04/25 6pm. In the meeting we will be hearing from projects that benefitted from seed funding, including Anglesey Astronomical Society.

There will be also an opportunity for you to hear about the planned Town centre regeneration projects and Placemaking proposals through Anglesey Council.

Seiriol Alliance held their Annual General Meeting at Hen Ysgol, Llanddona on 19/03/25. The Alliance would like to thank the re elected members and everyone that supports the Alliance for the good work that they do.

The Alliance will be running a consultation in the area regarding the use of the community bus owned by the Alliance, and the impacts following the cuts to bus services locally. The aim is to support and link to existing transport services in the area.



Crigyll Alliance - following concerns raised about traffic issues in the area some members of the alliance have completed a speed watch volunteer training session with North Wales Police. Once the assessment of highlighted areas of concerning areas is complete, they will move forward with the project and start measuring the speed of traffic through villages in the Ward. Big thanks to Bro'r Llynnoedd Alliance for sharing their equipment with Crigyll.



Bro Aberffraw- The Place Shaping Film will be presented to Third Sector Support Wales as a case study, whilst we recognise there is still ongoing work from priorities' identified, the project was positive and the information went on to provide some achievable outcomes, community projects received funding through the shared prosperity fund.

'Medrwn Môn's support has been transformational for us as a community. Through the film project and place-shaping work, we've been able to connect with residents in a deeper, more meaningful way - especially those who don't usually have their voices heard. It's helped us identify real needs and drive forward practical, people-led solutions like youth services, health access, and tackling transport barriers.

Most importantly, it's given the community confidence that change is possible when we come together'

Sara, Chairperson, Bro Aberffraw



The Alliance have also been successful in securing the Awards for All grant of £20k with Sarah Rawsthorn, Edge Inclusion. They have devised a year long programme of holiday provision for children in the Bro Aberffraw & Crigyll wards.

Building Communities Trust Network

Our Place Shaping Officer Anne attended the first face to face meeting of participants of the Building Communities Trust Community Networks programme at the end of March at Llanidloes. The session brought together community groups from networks in Cardiff, Ynys Môn, Wrexham, the Afan Valley and Gwynedd who took the opportunities to share experiences, aspirations and challenges.

The meeting was a valuable exercise in sharing knowledge about our Place Shaping programme and about hearing how other communities measure impact of place based development in creating resilient and resourceful communities.

The network will initially look at sharing practice on climate change resilience, measuring impact and local communications.



Core Conversations Training



14 local groups and organisations benefited from training that will help them in their day to day work!

We had a great couple of days hosting the Core Conversations training with Basis! The training explored how to equip people with key skills to build trust, understand challenges, and create solutions-enhancing communication skills for anyone supporting people through complex situations.



Participant quote- *"I didn't think I needed help with having core conversations with people as I have always worked with people, but this training was a real eye opener and made me think how I could improve the conversations I have with people to make it more meaningful."*



Medrwn Môn will be developing more courses relating to core conversations, keep an eye on our website/socials for more info.

Free Webinars

Due to the success of training recently held by Medrwn Môn, and the positive feedback received, Bev Garside - The Female Alchemist has managed to compress the training into a bitesize webinars that are now available for **free** to Medrwn Môn members.

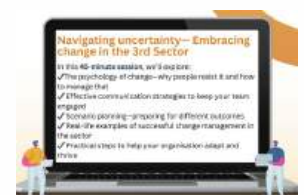
We have three webinars available:

Navigating change: This webinar will help you navigate through the uncertainty in the voluntary sector and embrace the change.

Risk Management in the Voluntary Sector: Risk management is something all Third sector organisations should do, the earlier you identify risk the more options you have to manage it.

Recruitment and Retention in the Voluntary Sector: There are lots of challenges the voluntary sector face, but there are several issues that you can control.

THE FEMALE ALCHEMIST



"The webinar made me think what we do as an organisation, and how we can use what we learned to improve things for us and our users."

Check out the free webinars [HERE](#)

Using Tech to Improve Wellbeing

In February and March, Medrwn Môn hit the road for a series of Technology in Care drop-in events, bringing friendly faces, digital know-how, and interactive tech to five communities across Anglesey—Amlwch, Bodorgan, Llangefni, Llanfairpwll and Holyhead. Designed to help people feel more confident with technology and connected to local support, the events welcomed over 40 attendees. No appointments, no pressure—just a warm welcome and a chance to explore how tech can make daily life that bit easier.

Each session offered hands-on help and relaxed, honest conversations. Whether it was learning how to make a video call to stay in touch with family, exploring how a smartwatch could help track fitness goals, or discovering how a voice-activated device like Alexa could make life at home easier, our team was there to guide people every step of the way.

And the impact of the wider project speaks volumes—just take a look at some of the findings from our latest Social Return on Investment (SROI) report:

📱 30 individuals received one-to-one support with tech—helping many go online for the very first time.

🧠 71% reported improved mental well-being, and 86% felt more independent after using their devices.

👨👩 16 unpaid carers were supported too—using tech to ease stress, connect with support, and even track the safety of loved ones living with dementia.

🏠 Four community groups were provided with Mi-Fi devices, enabling them to offer digital courses and social activities—benefiting 65 people in their local areas.

People also had the chance to sign up to Môn Community Link and access ongoing support to help them work towards their wellbeing goals—whether that was staying independent, building confidence with digital tools, getting more active or connecting with local groups and services.



💬 ***“I wasn’t sure what to expect, but I’m so glad I came. Everyone was so helpful.”***

💬 ***“It’s been brilliant—I’ve learned so much and feel more confident already.”***



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HAVE YOUR SAY!

What consultations are happening in your area?

Council rent setting 2025 to 2026

Tai Môn Housing Services have reviewed and tested the affordability of the rents and service charges that they currently charge and are extremely pleased to announce that every single one of the rental charges are passing the affordability criteria.

Anglesey County Council are keen to get your views.

They are very eager to have your opinion on this and the services you receive from Tai Môn Housing Services by answering this questionnaire.

<https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/7YIY6A/>

At the end of the survey, you will be asked to include your contact details if you want to be part of the prize draw!



Dementia care survey

Help improve dementia care on Anglesey by giving your feedback to Dementia Actif Môn in this short survey.

The survey has been created by Denbighshire County Council and covers the whole of north Wales.

There is a link to the privacy notice in the survey.

<https://www.anglesey.gov.wales/en/Have-your-say/Consultations/Current-consultations/Dementia-care-survey.aspx>

The Dementia Actif scheme is a scheme funded by Isle of Anglesey County Council and is aimed at anyone living with Dementia, memory loss or who cares for someone with either of these to take part in exercises which are fun rewarding and can be related into everyday life.

For further information, referral process contact

01248 752957

Dementiaactifmon@ynysmon.llyw.cymru



Can voluntary organisations benefit from bulk energy purchases?



Working with Utility Aid the WCVA is gathering insights on voluntary sector energy usage, exploring the potential of our collective purchasing power and helping organisations to reduce running costs. It is estimated that a third of local charities in the UK are seeing utility costs rise by over 60%.

Together with WCVA, Utility Aid has launched a survey to find out what can be done to help voluntary organisations in Wales to reduce their running costs and become greener.

WHY GET INVOLVED?

By completing the survey you will be helping to provide much needed insight for Utility Aid to launch a collective purchasing scheme that is fit for the voluntary sector. It will also empower charity leaders to make the right decisions in purchasing clean energy that is produced ethically.

[Complete the survey here](#)

Welsh Government sets new vision for Volunteering



Please take 10 minutes to complete this survey to have your say on the future of Volunteering in Wales. Anyone can complete the survey, you don't have to be a volunteer or someone who directly supports volunteers.

The Welsh Government and WCVA are co-creating a new approach to volunteering in Wales, with a progressive Vision to drive it. We see volunteering as benefiting not only those who are helped, but also the volunteers themselves and the wider community and society. Our vision is that volunteering becomes ever stronger as part of our identity and culture in Wales. We aim to spread awareness of its value and the importance of its diverse benefits, thereby strengthening the future impact of volunteering in every field of activity.

As part of the co-creation process, we want to test the level of support for the Vision statement and help improve and refine it. A short survey has been developed which gives you an opportunity to share your views on the Vision.

We hope representatives from your organisation will complete the survey and also to ask if you would share the link with your members, networks and beneficiaries, so we can consult as widely as possible. The survey will be open until the end of May 2025.

Informing a Communities Manifesto for the 2026 Senedd elections

Ahead of the Senedd elections next year, Medrwn Môn is working with Building Communities Trust to develop a manifesto for change based on the ambitions and needs of community groups across the Island. Together we will be holding a short workshop session on manifesto priorities for local community groups, with a view to producing feedback that can be used for both national and local influencing work.

The workshop will be open to community based organisations and will provide an insight into the experiences and views of community organisations within each area. They will be an opportunity for you to share your experiences and your opinions about how government can work better for you and your organisation – and to feed into a national manifesto.

From past experiences the discussions will also be interesting!

The workshop will take place on **Tuesday 3rd June 10am-1pm** at our offices at the Anglesey Business Centre. If you would like to come along please contact us on Ysgwrs@medrwnmon.org

Wishing Hywel all the best in his retirement!

Medrwn Môn would like to wish Hywel Lovgreen, Funding Officer with the National Lottery all the best as he retires at the end of April after working with the funder for over 25 years. Hywel has been instrumental in supporting a number of groups on Anglesey to apply successfully to the National Lottery for funding from the Awards for All and People & Places programme.



Hywel has also held a number of funding surgeries with our Funding and Information Officer Derlwyn Hughes where he has met with groups face-to-face, offering feedback and advice on their funding proposals.

Chief Officer Lyndsey Campbell-Williams stated ***“Hywel’s support for projects on Anglesey has been unwavering and as an Organisation Medrwn Môn would like to extend a special thank you for his commitment to raising the profile of both our Place Shaping and Community Link projects. He will be missed but we hope he enjoys his free time visiting the Island often!”***

Mirili Môn have been busy again!

Pam and the volunteers have been busy at Mirili Môn in Holyhead, continuing with their engaging and interactive activities for people living with dementia, which includes 'Bleak to Chic' projects, crafting, and chair exercises.

Mirili Môn have been helping other voluntary groups on the island, they have recently made Hedgehog Houses for Anglesey Hedgehog Rescue. Pam stated: ***"it's good to help other groups and it gives our MIRILI members a sense of purpose and satisfaction that they are contributing into their community"***

The Mirili Môn volunteers have arranged for the group to have lunch every fortnight for 8 weeks both as a trial and to try and encourage the 'mealtime experience'. Many of the group, even those with partners are not eating and whilst we realise that perhaps fortnightly won't make a big difference in terms of nutrition, it may encourage and promote the importance of regular meals, the meals on offer will also be reminiscent of meals they ate when they were younger. This has been a success so far with lots of people enjoying nutritious food with good company.

Last year Mirili Môn started a project inspired by local people who are living with dementia. The project involved making all 5 Towns 'Dementia aware, Dementia inclusive'.

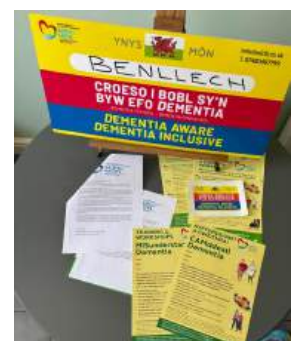
The response was overwhelming, and 120 shops and businesses now display this bilingual logo in their windows.

They are committed to making Ynys Môn dementia inclusive, so this year, they are continuing with their quest and adding Anglesey villages to their portfolio.

A new element to Mirili Môn is their MISunderstanding Dementia workshops. The workshops are designed to help anyone who works with people who are living with dementia, their families, carers and service providers.

The workshops include:

- Activities, problem solving & interactive group work
- What is Dementia
- The language of dementia
- Getting a dementia diagnosis
- I'm still me!
- Dementia inclusive Ynys Môn
- The lived experience



Struggling with Sustainability?

The Cranfield Trust offers a wide range of quality free services available to registered charities that have a social welfare focus, and CIC's and CIO's working towards social welfare outcomes.

The Cranfield Trust enables organisations to access a range of volunteer consultants who bring years of expertise and experience from the commercial and charitable sector with them to work with the leadership team to improve their sustainability.

The consultants will work to an agreed brief that the organisation develops in order to produce a baseline report against 4 key areas: Leadership and Strategic Direction, People Management, Financial Management and Sustainability and Performance and Impact.

As well as consultant projects, Cranfield Trust offers access to mentoring for charity leaders including chairs, matching them with a volunteer mentor. As well as this they also offer facilitated peer to peer mentoring, an online 3 week programme arranged centrally allowing leaders from across the UK to discuss and share challenges and find solutions.

The on-call service can be accessed by organisations matching the Trusts core criteria and offers immediate advice.

The Cranfield Trust website also offers access to a very wide range of very useful business tools including business planning and financial management templates and webinars, both to book to take part in live events and to view archived events.

To find out more please visit <https://www.cranfieldtrust.org/> or contact Nicola.Russell-Brooks@Cranfieldtrust.org or call 07539170002 for a quick chat.

CTA CONFERENCE 2025

Thriving, not just surviving!

The Community Transport sector in Wales continues to grow and innovate to meet the demand for inclusive and accessible community-led transport solutions that meet people's needs.

The CTA IS delighted to be holding their annual Wales Conference on Wednesday 21st May at Venue Cymru in Llandudno.

Included in the day will be insights from Professor Charles Musselwhite (Aberystwyth University) on the role of Community Transport in creating vibrant communities, Sion Wyn Evans on work of the Office of the Older People's Commissioner to identify transport challenges and priorities in Wales, and Lee Robinson (Transport for Wales) on the future of public transport and potential opportunities for Community Transport. Medrwn Môn Chief Officer, Lyndsey Campbell - Williams has also been invited as a guest speaker, Operators and stakeholders will share ideas and good practice around: citizen research in identifying local transport needs; partner-ship working between community organisations and local authorities; transport for health; and the use of e-bikes to extend community transport provision. Motability will share insights from their Community Transport Grant Programme and upcoming grants. To book on to the event please [click here](#)





Are you a community group, sports club, charity or school looking for funding of up to £1,500?

Book your 1-1 today to learn more about the Tesco Stronger Starts grant, tips on applying and project ideas.

Monday between 9am-6pm, via 'Teams' or by phone.

Ydych chi'n grŵp cymunedol, clwb chwaraeon, elusen neu ysgol sy'n chwilio am gyllid hyd at £1,500?

Archebwch eich 1-1 heddiw i ddysgu mwy am y Tesco 'Stronger Starts', awgrymiadau ar sut i wneud cais a syniadau am brosiectau. Bob dydd Llun rhwng 9am-6pm, drwy 'Teams' neu dros y ffôn.



Am fwy o wybodaeth neu i archebu lle, plis cysylltwch â -

For more information or to book, please contact -
enabler@groundworknorthwales.org.uk

www.tescostrongerstarts.org.uk i wneud cais
www.tescostrongerstarts.org.uk to apply

Funding News



The Bernard Piggott Trust

The Bernard Piggott Trust has been supporting Registered Charities in the Birmingham area and North Wales for over 52 years.

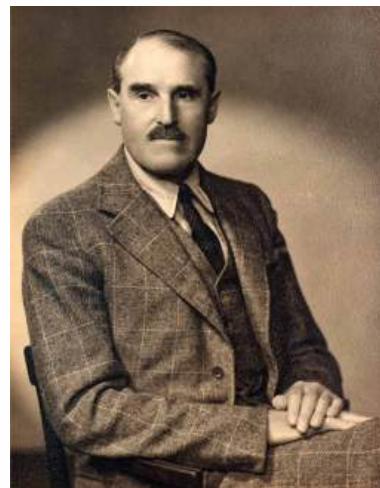
Grants made have ranged from £ 250 to £ 5000. Captain George Bernard Piggott set up the Trust on the 25th November 1969, initially using the proceeds from two retail shops in Sparkbrook, Birmingham.

Unfortunately, he passed away two and a half years later in May 1972.

It was his wish that the Trustees perpetuate his support for charities in North Wales and the greater Birmingham area through the work of the Trust.

The trust funds the following categories:

- Elderly / Care
- Youth / Education
- Theatre / Arts
- Historic / Buildings
- Faith / Community
- Health / Medical / Disability
- People / Poverty
- Animal / Environment
- Other Charitable Purposes



You can apply for funding [here](#)

The Moondance Foundation

The Moondance Foundation offers grants to organisations and causes that provide transformational changes in communities in Wales.

Funding is available for projects that prevent or relieve poverty, support the welfare and well-being of women, children, the elderly and the vulnerable in our society, improve health outcomes, raise educational standards and preserve our environment for future generations.

Moondance tries to be as flexible as possible and supports organisations that have a transformational impact in their communities in Wales.

You can apply [here](#)



Funding News



Are you a grassroots community group with a building or space in need of repair or renovation? Today, we're excited to share details on our new Local Community Spaces Fund, which opens for applications on Wednesday 7th May.

Our Local Community Spaces Fund will provide up to £1.25million in funding to support community spaces where people can come together, connect, and take part in local activities and services.

We know accessible community spaces can be a lifeline for local people, but many groups need funding to repair, renovate and develop these spaces to continue delivering vital services and activities.

Through our new Local Community Spaces Fund, we aim to enhance community facilities to bring local people together, address loneliness, and boost well-being by creating safe and inclusive spaces for everyone to use and enjoy.

Read the criteria to see if your group might be eligible and start planning your application <https://lnkd.in/esHpr92d>

FORD BRITAIN TRUST



We are committed to supporting the communities that we work and live in. That is why we created the Ford Britain Trust. Since April 1975 we have been able to help fund the education and advancement of our neighbours.

We pay special attention to projects focusing on education, environment, children, the disabled, youth activities and projects that provide clear benefits to the local communities close to our UK locations. The Ford Britain Trust particularly encourages applications supported by Ford employees, but is open to all, provided that the qualifying organisations meet our selection criteria.

We have five cycles each year for grant donations.

Small grant applications, up to £250, are welcomed three times a year during:

1st April to 30th June for review in July

1st August to 31st October for review in November

1st December to 28th February for review in April

Large grant applications, up to £3,000, are welcomed twice a year during:

1st March to 31st July for review by our Board of Trustees in September/October

1st September to 31st January for review by our Board of Trustees in March

All applicants will be informed of the outcome following the review.

<https://www.ford.co.uk/experience-ford/news/ford-britain-trust>

THE NATIONAL LOTTERY



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Community Fund

Our team can help voluntary and community groups by writing policies, strategies and can assist as you submit a strong grant application. Please see below the Projects who have recently received Funding from the National Lottery.

- **Cybi Youth Hub £289,302.00:** The grant has been used to create a safe space for the young people of Holyhead to access activities, support/outreach services and events to rebuild social networks and develop resilience.
- **Bwyd Da Môn £46,042.00:** The grant has been used to employ a dedicated part-time driver to collect more surplus food from shops, ensuring that no edible food goes to waste.
- **Neuadd Bentref Llanddona Village Hall £10,000.00:** The grant has been used to replace windows, doors and lights, making the building more comfortable and warm for users and more energy efficient.
- **Grwp Natur Seiriol CBC £19,334.00:** The grant has been used to upskill volunteers to maintain three Local Nature Reserves, for the benefit of the whole community.

Contact Medrwn Môn 01248 724944 /
post@medrwnmon.org if you need any
advice, or guidance in identifying and
applying for funding.



ANGLESEY ***VOLUNTEERING NETWORK***



*Pop in to meet local
voluntary groups &
organisations!*

🕒 9.30am - 4.00pm

📅 Tuesday 6th May 2025

📍 Llangefni Town Hall



- Learn new skills and enhance your CV
- Join a new group of like minded people
- Make a difference
- Information about training
- Hear real life stories



For more
information:



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Room to Reward: Recognising Hidden Heroes
Every day, volunteers across the UK dedicate their time to supporting their communities. Room to Reward was created to give back to these selfless individuals, offering them a well-deserved break in donated hotel rooms. By partnering with hotels across the country, Room to Reward provides complimentary stays as a way to say ‘thank you’ to those who go above and beyond.
If you know a volunteer who deserves recognition, you can nominate them for a special stay! Visit www.roomtoreward.org to learn more.



At Medrwn Môn, we are incredibly fortunate to have three amazing volunteer drivers partnering with us through Car Linc. These dedicated volunteers generously assist by transporting individuals around the community, helping them attend appointments, run errands, and go shopping.

Stacey reached out to Room to Rewards, and they kindly offered complimentary rooms for the volunteers. Pictured above with our Volunteering Officer, Gemma, is Paul, one of our long-standing volunteer drivers who has been with us for 2 years. He has decided to use this opportunity to enjoy a getaway with his wife, staying at The Dilly in London.

To secure his room at Room for Rewards, Stacey included the following statement about Paul
'Since joining in September 2023, Paul has truly embraced his role, consistently sharing his positive experiences. He passionately encourages others to become Volunteer Drivers, highlighting the rewarding opportunity to make a meaningful difference in the community

Paul : “The gratitude and joy of all passengers brings immense fulfilment. The conversations, laughter, and connections formed on all journeys make the experience deeply rewarding.”

Volunteering opportunities

GROW YOURSELF HEALTHY

Allotment Gardening can be both rewarding and do you good!
There are many recognised benefits including:-



If you would like to find out more about volunteering on our community allotment, contact:
beaumarisallotmentsociety@outlook.com



Volunteer Appeal for the Ynys Cybi & Valley Good Turn Scheme

(YC&VGTS)

We are reaching out to ask for your support in positively impacting our community by volunteering for our YC&VGTS. This initiative aims to help those in need, whether through simple acts of kindness or assistance to vulnerable members of our community.

The YC&VGTS is all about offering a helping hand where it is needed most, whether it is helping elderly neighbors with their shopping, befriending, or lending a hand to individuals struggling to get by. **What We're Looking For:** We need compassionate and dependable volunteers who are willing to offer a little of their time to make a big difference in someone's day. Volunteers of all ages are welcome – whether you have a lot of time to give or just a bit, every bit counts. Whether you are helping once a week or once a month, your kindness will make a world of difference.

How You Can Help:

Delivering essential groceries and supplies to those unable to go out
Offering support to individuals who are isolated or lonely.
Befriending – weekly visits and or staying connected by telephone.
Providing transport for medical or social appointments

Why Volunteer? Volunteering with the YC&VGTS not only helps others but also offers you a chance to give back to your community, meet new people, and be part of a positive change. It is a simple yet impactful way to make a difference.

We hope you will consider giving some of your time to this worthy cause. Your involvement is appreciated more than words can say!

If you are ready to get involved or require further information, please phone us on 01407 763559 or email veronica@morlo.co.uk

Macular Society

Volunteer Recruitment



Your Time Can Change Lives. Volunteer Now!

We are looking for volunteers to help with the Macular group in Llangefni!

Hasan Cefni, Llangefni, LL77 7JA

Group will be held every 2nd Tuesday of every month



We are looking for someone to:

- Prepare refreshments (tea's, coffee's and biscuits) for the group members during the sessions.
- Welcome and support group member to access the building and make sure that they are comfortable within the setting

Contact Gemma for more information

Gemma@medrwnmon.org

01248 724944

<https://www.medrwnmon.org/>

GORUCHWYLLWYR GWIRFODDOL VOLUNTEER INVIGILATORS



YMUNWCH Â NI! JOIN US !

Rydym yn chwilio am oruchwyllwyr gwirfoddol sy'n dymuno rhannu eu gwybodaeth a'u brwdfrydedd gyda'n hymwelwyr er mwyn eu cynorthwyo i fwynhau ein harddangosfeydd a gwneud y gorau o'u hymwelriad.

We are looking for invigilation volunteers who want to share their knowledge and enthusiasm with our visitors to help them enjoy our exhibitions and get the most from their visit.

Os oes gennych ddiddordeb, neu os ydych am ddarganfod mwy, cysylltwch â ni ar:
orielynysmon@nysmon.llyw.cymru

If you are interested, or would like to find out more, please do get in touch with us at:
orielynysmon@nysmon.llyw.cymru



www.orielmon.org

01248 724444

Oriel Môn, Rhosmeirch, Llangefni

HOLYHEAD GATEWAY CLUB NEW VOLUNTEERS WELCOME

Our club is a very friendly social club for adults with special needs and learning difficulties. We meet fortnightly on Saturday from 10am until 12noon at the Gwelfor Centre Holyhead.

We are currently looking for volunteers who would be interested in assisting in various activities, including arts and crafts, playing pool, board games and helping in the coffee bar. We play bingo a couple of times a year.

Anyone who is interested would have to complete a Disclosure and Barring Service application. This is very simple and we will help you to complete it.

Please contact Maureen Jones on 07952 336 858



What's on?



LLYN PARC MAWR
Cwm Cwmwl Cymunedol
Community Woodland Group

You are invited to a

WOODLAND PARTY

AT
LLYN PARC MAWR
COMMUNITY WOODLAND

10TH MAY
11.00-3.00

STALLS, REFRESHMENTS, WOODLAND
ACTIVITIES FOR ALL.

PARKING IS LIMITED, PLEASE LIFT-SHARE, WALK, CYCLE, OR USE
THE NO.42 BUS. THANK YOU! 😊

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Welsh Government

Cwmwl Cymunedol Cymru
National Forest
for Wales

SUPPORT GROUP FOR PARENTS AND CARERS OF CHILDREN WITH ADDITIONAL NEEDS IN ANGLESEY

10.00 - 12.00
Canolfan Glanhwfa, Llangefni
First Wednesday of every month

2 April
7 May
4 June
2 July

Come and
join us for
a cuppa
and chat!

For more information,
contact Ella:
01248 370 797
help@carersoutreach.org.uk

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BWRGARTH CYMRU GYDAWYB
CARERS OUTREACH SERVICE

VOLUNTEERS' WEEK

2nd – 8th June
2025

#VolunteersWeek

HELFA DRYSOR CEIR! CAR TREASURE HUNT!



18/05/2025

Ceir i gychwyn o Dafarn yr
Iorwerth, Bryngwran,
rhwng 2:30 a 3:30.

Cars to start from Tafarn yr
Iorwerth between 2:30 and
3:30.



LLUNIAETH
Bwyd ar gael ar
ddiwedd y daith!
Food available at the end
of the treasure hunt!

£10 y Car
Croeso i bawb!
£10 per car
Everyone
welcome!

Holl Elw at Gronfa Bryngwran
Eisteddfod Môn 2026



What's on?

Interested in fostering? Join
Maethu Cymru Môn - Foster Wales Anglesey
for an online information session on

Thursday 22 May at 12.00

Get in touch on 01248 752772

<https://anglesey.fosterwales.gov.wales/contact-us/>

sesiwn gwybodaeth | online fostering
am faethu ar-lein | information session



maethu cymru foster wales

ANGLESEY DAWN WALK

SATURDAY 14TH JUNE
HOLYHEAD HOTSPURS, HOLYHEAD
REGISTRATION OPENS: 3.30AM



The 9km route will be a treat for all as we enjoy beautiful birdsong, stunning scenery and (weather permitting!) a spectacular sunrise.

Registration includes:
T-shirt, refreshments along the way and a breakfast bap and hot drink upon completion back at the football club

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FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
RHIAN.JACOBS@STDAVIDSHOSPICE.ORG.UK ☎ 01492 553159



Relay For Life

Gwynedd and Anglesey

Saturday 21st June 2025

**Bangor University, Treborth Athletics Track and
playing fields, Bangor, LL57 2RQ**

Time: Midday (24 hr)

Candle of Hope: 22:00-23:00

<https://in.justgiving.events/relay-for-life-gwynedd-and-anglesey2025?currentPage=select-competition>



FREE PARKING

PARCIO DI-DŴL

Charity no: 1159003

SIOE HEN GELFI

Anglesey Ynys Môn

VINTAGE RALLY

17TH & 18TH MAY/MAI 2025
ANGLESEY AGRICULTURAL SHOWGROUND

Peiriannau stêm ~ Loriau a Bysiau ~ Beiciau modur
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Stondinau gwerthu ~ Creffttau a modelau
Steam engines ~ Motorcycles ~ Fairground ~ Trade stands
Tractors ~ Live entertainment ~ Commercial vehicles
Classic Cars ~ Models & Crafts

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SOME ATTRACTIONS MAY BE SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY

If you have an event that you would like us to promote, please contact:

post@medrwnmon.org / 01248 724944 or register on

www.ConnectAnglesey.Wales

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