

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2024
FOR CYMDEITHAS ABERAERON SOCIETY**

CHARITY REGISTRATION NUMBER: 1145491

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The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31st December 2024. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standards applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective from 1st January 2019).

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing Document – the charity is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO), which is registered with the Charity Commission, and is controlled and governed in accordance with its Constitution dated 29th December 2021. The Committee members are the trustees of the CIO and they collectively, or via a specific sub-committee, organise projects such as Winter Talks, Exhibitions, Research, Web Site, Trips to various locations and Dining Club.

OBJECTS

The object of the CIO is:

The promotion for the public benefit of the local heritage of Aberaeron and the surrounding district.

This objective is achieved through a range of activities to promote heritage and history across the whole of the community, encouraging as many people as possible to participate, celebrate and learn more about the area's past, and linking it to life today.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity Number: 1145491

PRINCIPAL ADDRESS

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TRUSTEES

R P Davies
S P Davies
S M Evans
S A Hesketh
M Jones (appointed w.e.f. 06/03/2024)
N R Jones (retired w.e.f. 06/03/2024)
W G Jones
S E Stewart
R L Williams (retired w.e.f. 11/06/2024)

SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES DURING 2024

A series of talks were held during 2024 which covered the following topics:

- The Iron Age capital of mid-Wales: recent archaeological excavation at Pen Dinas Hillfort
- Cranogwen
- Bensha and his daughters: The Remarkable Residents of Portland House, Aberaeron. Part 1.
- The story of Welsh love tokens;
- Deiseb Heddwch Menywod Cymru - 1923/4. (Welsh Women's Peace Petition -1923/4);
- Aberaeron War Memorials;

The Dining Club also met on a number of occasions during 2024, at various locations within Aberaeron, and everyone enjoyed their meals and the social gathering.

The Association also organises trips during the year, however due to a low uptake one of the planned trips for 2024 was cancelled. Nevertheless two trips were organised – the first was to Ceredigion Museum in Aberystwyth; and the second to Lampeter University to see examples of books, and other items, held in the University's Rare Books Library.

The Association was actively involved in campaigning to persuade Ceredigion County Council to retain Aberaeron Library at its current location rather than moving it up to the Council's HQ at Penmorfa. As well as responding to the formal consultation, representatives of the Association also spoke against the move at one of the County Council's Scrutiny Committee meetings; met with the Council Leader; lobbied Welsh Government ministers and were instrumental in securing the involvement of the Older Person's Commissioner for Wales.

The Association's website was revamped during 2023 and the new site was launched at the end of that year. The website was fully functional during 2024 and can be accessed via – <https://www.cymdeithasaberaeronsociety.org/>

The membership year commences with effect from 1st of September each year and runs until 31st August of the following year.

Approved by order of the Board of Trustees on: 16th April 2025

and signed on its behalf by: Sian Stewart

Chairperson