

**Canolfan Cymuned Llanwddyn
Llanwddyn Community Centre
Chairs/Trustees report for April 2023 to March 2024**

The Llanwddyn Community Centre Management Committee, have been a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) since 7th April 2014 (Registered Charity Number 1156546)

I have been Chairman and Vice Chairman of the committee for many years and begin this report knowing of my intention to retire from this position after such a long time. I feel it is the right time for me and I'm happy to make room for someone else to have the opportunity to inject new blood and ideas into this great committee. I will continue representing the Llanwddyn Sheep Dog Trials if elected and will remain in support of all that the committee and centre offer to Llanwddyn.

We as custodians of the centre promise to keep the community centre open for all who wish to use it, but the economic crisis is still reflecting in the centre, with fewer people attending the affiliation club nights and events in general are harder to encourage ticket sales, despite attempting to put on a varied selection of events.

Our loyal affiliated members continue to provide great weekly support. This includes Yoga classes, Bowls nights, Line Dancing and Sports club. Llanwddyn Sheep dog affiliates continue use the hall for meetings and all affiliates continue to support us financially with membership, weekly subs and donations throughout the year, including the at the Autumn Fair which is one of our best fundraisers held throughout the year. The monthly Social nights run by Ian have become equally as important as are Llanwddyn Events who give so much energy to all the events held within the centre. Knit and Natter continues, but only on a Friday and is another super addition to what goes on in the centre.

I would like to express my sincere thanks to all our members for their efforts over the years and hope, over time, each night continues to be supported by Llanwddyn and its neighbours and numbers continue to increase.

Events held through this past financial year by all members and the hall committee in general have contributed financially to the running and repairs of the centre. Without this contribution we would be in a very worrying position. In September 2023 we received support from the Llanwddyn 'Ladies who swim' who ran a pop up café over the ½ Marathon day and donated all proceeds from the café after costs to the centre. Combined with the art exhibition, Christmas Market, all our efforts at the Autumn fair we are able to cover most of the costs it takes to run the hall. Other donation factors were the Community Council who were able to support the centre with financial support to install and run fibre broadband in the centre for the first 2 years. This has already had a great impact on users of the hall, such as craft stall holders, payments by card at the bar and more.

Our member Llanwddyn Post Office has had almost a full year being run by Colleen Johnson of Dafarn Newydd. I hear she is enjoying her role as the new postmaster and continue to wish her every success. A vital addition to the village.

As mentioned our Autumn Fair in 2023 was a fabulous night once more. A lot of hard work was put into running the event and once again it raised a fabulous amount for the centre. from stalls to the grand draw. Thank you for everyone's help and donations on the day and with selling the Grand Draw tickets, with the leader once again being Dave Proctor.

The centre continues to be available for private hire. Private hire is steadily increasing and I am told we have had our first wedding at the centre in a long time, plus another booked for 2025. This is marvellous news. More people are hiring the Dining room and kitchen for small private event too and it is receiving very many compliments about how lovely it looks. It's also being used for meetings and I understand a project with Arts Connect in Llanfyllin is being run in the dining room June 2024 fortnightly throughout the summer months. All new and additional income. We are very grateful to Garfield Weston by letting us use remaining funds from the roofing repairs.

The half marathon was a success and with fewer hiccups this year I'm happy to hear that they have booked the centre for September 2024 again.

Secretary Ruth Powell is as busy as ever keeping everything in order for the centre. As is our Treasurer Janet Roberts. Both while working in full time jobs. They both keep a keen eye out for potential funding and areas where we can improve the centre at little costs by ourselves. Frugal choices continued to be made over the past year. Once more we are grateful for their dedication. Thank you!

Our loyal volunteers from around the village continued to come along and support us with their time. Without people setting up the hall, helping with fundraising, running the cafes our work would be much harder. Thank you all..

Our caretaker Greg has become a valued asset to the centre. Often doing more than what pay him for. Ruth and Ken Powell continue to volunteer time as joint caretakers with Greg. Thank you very much to them for doing this.

We believe Powys CC have a potential buyer for the school. As usual they are vague in details. This in mind we are we have reminded them that they still have not honoured their lease agreement and work remains outstanding by them.

I am proud of my years as Chairman, but I look forward to watching and being a part of the future of the centre with its new Chairperson in the seat. I end my report again thanking all the Trustees for all the work undertaken during the past year, and to all members of the Committee and our volunteers for their input and time. Especially Ruth , who has been an enormous help to me over the years.

To the residents and visitors to Llanwddyn, who continue to support us in many different ways. Without the community, there would be no centre and hope you will all continue to support us more than ever before. We have lots of plans and we will need you to make them happen and the hall remain open.

If we don't use it, we will certainly lose it, it's as simple as that.

Thank you/Diolch yn Fawr
BRYAN ELLIS - Chairman
April 2024

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "E B Ellis". The letters are fluid and connected, with a large 'E' and 'B' followed by the first name 'Ellis'.

Llanwddyn Community Centre Account 2023 - 24
Statement of Income and Expenditure, 1st April 2023 - 31st March 2024

BANK Opening Balance, as at April 1st, 2023		£84,640.84		
less unrepresented cheques 2022-2023		18,628.41		
Community Centre Funds Opening Balance		£66,012.43		
Income				
Affiliation	£200.00			
Autumn Fayre	£4,013.20			
Bar	£3,268.36			
Bowls	£885.00			
Broadband	£500.00			
Caretaking	£0.00			
Donations	£2,425.00			
Easy Fundraiser	£15.49			
Electricity	£0.00			
Events Team	£1,676.02			
Fundraising	£0.00			
Gas	£0.00			
Hall Hire	£1,142.50			
Knit & Natter	£450.00			
Line Dancing	£1,749.30			
Maintenance	£0.00			
Newsletter	£354.00			
Powys & Llanwddyn CC	£3,400.00			
Powys Lotto	£125.00			
Renovation	0			
Snooker	£0.00			
Sports Club	£450.00			
Yoga	£605.00			
Income 2023/2024	£21,258.87			
2023/24 Opening balance & incomes		£87,271.30		
Expenditure				
Affiliation	£0.00			
Autumn Fayre	£100.00			
Bar	£0.00			
Bowls	£0.00			
Broadband	£58.20			
Caretaking	£2,445.00			
Donations	£0.00			
Easy fundraiser	£0.00			
Electricity	£2,758.95			
Events Team	£0.00			
Fundraising	£0.00			
Gas	£3,003.75			
Hall Hire	£0.00			
Knit & Natter	£0.00			
Line Dancing	£0.00			
Maintenance	£6,197.35			
Newsletter	£341.11			
Powys & Llanwddyn CC	£0.00			
Renovation	£2,494.00			
Snooker	£0.00			
Sports Club	£0.00			
Yoga	£0.00			
2023/24 Total Expenditure	£17,398.36			
Unrepresented chqs	£2,370.43			
23/24 Expenditure Less Unrepresented	£15,027.93			
2023/24 BANK BALANCE as at 31.03.2024	71514.53			
2023/24 YEAR END BALANCE		£72,243.37		

Signed: E B Ellis (CHAIRMAN)

Date: XX XX 2024

Date: 20.08.2024

E B Ellis