

Annual Report Beddau and Tynant Community Library 2020-21

This is a shorter than usual Annual Report because for much of the period in question, the Library was actually closed for browsing and, most importantly, for meetings and hire, due of course to Covid.

We did however offer a 'click and collect' service during this period, which many members of the community found very useful, especially when movements were restricted due to the pandemic. Naturally, the borrowing figures were down, but the figures show that we continued to offer a useful and popular service to our users

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
January		236	257	194	191	248	118
February	109	247	196	205	171	255	104
March	352	191	145	172	232	353	120
April	245	292	182	201	243	0	131
May	297	261	97	156	247	36	148
June	337	307	185	168	248	15	181
July	253	255	294	213	328	28	159
August	328	396	313	364	325	100	148
September	312	279	303	291	335	133	202
October	333	271	232	253	243	157	172
November	322	246	224	221	234	131	156
December	193	189	128	118	121	160	150
Total Loans	3081	3170	2556	2556	2918	1616	1789

We quarantined books for 72 hours once they were returned to us, and some customers even benefited from a home delivery service, all done in a covid-safe manner. There were several occasions when we did consider reopening for browsing and computer use, but due to the vulnerability of some of our volunteers, we decided to wait until things became safer.

The Trustees continued to meet monthly online, and we had our first face to face, socially distanced, meeting at the Library in September. It was lovely to be back in the building, albeit a little chilly with the doors and windows open! We were able to agree to open for people to browse the books on September 13th, with opening hours being Monday 1500-1645; Wednesday 1000-11.45; and Saturday 10-11.45, as well as continuing the 'click and collect' service. We continued to source new books to keep our stock up to date. We also sorted out blue tooth printing so that we could offer a service printing off a customer's own device. From the beginning of September, we had some limited hire from the local WI, and the Reading Group as well as our own Monday Club. We continued to use our social media pages to inform the community about events and consultations in the area as well as book availability.

PACT meetings also restarted in September, and we were pleased to welcome them back; and the Library was also the venue for meetings to discuss holding events in the village into the Autumn and Winter.

These events meetings followed on from a successful Tynant and Beddau Community Fair which was held in the village on September 5th at which the Library and the Monday Club had a stall and were able to attract interest from new people.

The Library was used twice as a polling station during the year; on May 6th for the Senedd Elections and on July 22nd for the Tynant by-election for RCTCBC.

In September we took delivery of a brilliant original painting by Rhondda based artist Barbara Castle of part of the Cwm Coke Works. We were delighted to be offered such a lovely work of art, and after being displayed in the Library for some months, we intend offering it on loan to local organisations and businesses to maximise its impact.



We were feeling very optimistic about reopening in September, and things began to feel a little more 'normal'. However, no one knew that the Omicron variant was around the corner. We continue to hope that 2022 will eventually allow us to do more and return to our place as an important facility for the whole village.

As always we are hugely indebted to our hard working Trustees and loyal volunteers, without who we simply couldn't function. We also remain grateful to Llantrisant Community Council for all their support and for the Annual Grant we receive from them which ensures we can provide a service, whatever the circumstances.

Julie Barton

Chair of Trustees

January 2022

Independent Examiner's Report

Beddau & Tynant Community Library, Charity Number 1157769

For the period ending 31st August 2021

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees requested an audit this year for funding and statutory purposes.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination has been carried out in accordance with general directions given by the Charity Commission. The examination included a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also included consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters.

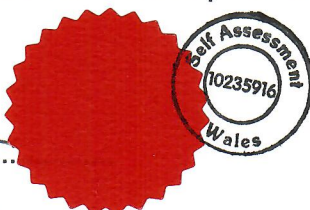
Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter of concern has come to my attention and in my opinion the accounts:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the Charity's affairs as at 31st August 2021 and of its incoming resources and applications of resources, for the year then ended
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

Signed.....

Mark Hopkins



Date.....

11/11/2021

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Relevant Professional Qualification or Body.....

Association of Accounting Technicians

Beddau & Tynant Community Library
Charity Number 1157769

Income & Expenditure Account
For the year ending 31st August 2021

	2021
Income	
Grants	7,883
Donations	189
Fundraising	221
Room Hire	155
Gift Aid including Match Funding	500
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	8,948
Expenditure	
Gas & Electricity	777
Water	105
Insurance	3
Book Purchases	2,188
Telephone	829
Stationery & Postage	178
Fundraising Events	-
IT Expenditure	742
Dedicated Grant Expenditure	121
Dues & Subscriptions	65
Repairs & Renewals, Buildings	664
Professional Fees	126
Total Expenditure	<hr/>
	5,798
Income over Expenditure	3,150
Opening Balance, Bank	<hr/>
	36,282
Net Incoming Resources for the Year	<hr/>
	39,432