



## Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	01	January	2024		31	December	2024

### Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Menter Cilycwm

Other names charity is known by

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Registered charity number (if any)

1171942

Charity's principal address

Home Farm

Cilycwm

Llanymddyfri, Carmarthenshire

Postcode

SA20 0TG

#### Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Aled Owen Edwards	Trustee, Chair		
2	Sarah Elsbeth Herbert-Jones	Trustee		
3	Audrey Price	Trustee		
4	Merrissa Fallas	Trustee	appointed 1 July 2024	

#### Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year
N/A	

#### Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
N/A		

#### Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

N/A

### Section B Structure, governance and management

#### Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution of a CIO (Foundation Model)
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO)

Trustee selection methods  
(eg. appointed by, elected by)

First charity trustees appointed for 3, 4 and 5 years. Thereafter every trustee appointed for a term of three years by resolution at a meeting of charity trustees. Trustees selected for skills, knowledge and experience needed for effective administration of Menter Cilycwm [ref. 9(4) & 10].

## Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

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## Section C Objectives and activities

**Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document**

- To benefit the residents of Cilycwm and the surrounding Upper Tywi area by associating together the said residents and the local authorities, voluntary and other organisations in a common effort to advance education and to provide facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation and leisure time occupation with the objective of improving the quality of life of the residents.
- To secure the establishment of a community centre and to maintain or manage or co-operate with any statutory authority in the maintenance and management of such a centre for activities promoted by the association in furtherance of the above objects.

**Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)**

Project Development 2024. Our primary project is to convert Capel y Groes into a much-needed Community Centre for the Cilycwm area. We continued to work with Hiraeth Architecture on planning applications, applied in May 2024 and were granted Listed Building Consent on 17 September 2024 and Full Planning Permission on 8 November 2024. This development work was funded by Carmarthenshire County Council Targeted Facility Fund (TFF), Welsh Church Fund (WCF), Welsh Government Perthyn and the Pilgrim Trust. Subsequently, we secured further grants from AHF and Arfor to progress the technical drawings; submitted Expressions of Interest to Welsh Government Community Facilities Programme and National Lottery Community Fund about funds for the capital works. We hope to begin the extension and refurbishment during 2025.

Community activities. Despite the building's limitations (lack of toilets, running water or kitchen), some community groups continued to hire Ty Capel upstairs room for meetings (Dysgwyr Rhandirmwyn, Cor Cyswllt Cilycwm, Community Council, Show Committee, Crafts and Health groups, etc). We ran a Pumpkin competition again in October and "Twelve Days of Christmas" Decorated Windows in the street-facing houses around the village between Christmas and Twelfth Night.

### Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

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## Section D

## Achievements and performance

### Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

1. Progressed project development to repair, adapt and extend Capel y Groes into a Community Centre.
2. Secured Listed Building Consent on 17 September 2024 and Full Planning Permission on 8 November 2024.
3. Secured two more grants and two invitations to apply to Community Facilities Programme & National Lottery Community Fund.
4. Learned more about saving heritage buildings (via the Heritage Trust Network and the Tywi Centre's Listed Building Fair).

## Section E

## Financial review

### Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Our Financial Management Procedures state that 'The Trustees will aim to build up and keep reserves equivalent to one year's running costs'.

### Details of any funds materially in deficit

N/A

### Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

2024 Total Income was £ 19,104 and Total Expenditure £14,738 .The Year-end balance was £10,591.55.

Income was mainly from grants from Carmarthenshire County Council's Targeted Facility Fund, Welsh Church Fund, Welsh Government Perthyn, Cilycwm Community Council and the Pilgrim Trust (£17k); donations and room hire. Expenditure was mainly on project development (£13k) and running costs.

## Section F

## Other optional information

### Plans and objectives for the future:

Plans for 2025 were to continue developing the project to convert the chapel into a modern sustainable community centre, to secure funding, go out to tender and begin the capital works. Menter Cilycwm continues to encourage use of the building for community activities despite its limited facilities.

## Section G

## Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

Full name(s)

ALED OWEN EDWARDS

Position (e.g., Secretary, Chair,

CHAIR

Date

11 August 2025

**MENTER CILYCWM (Charity no. 1171942)**  
**Statement of Financial Activities 2024**

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	2024	2023
<b>Income from:</b>					
Grants from Govt	1	-	13,603.43	<b>13,603.43</b>	<b>7,763.19</b>
Donations and legacies	2	-	3,641.64	<b>3,641.64</b>	<b>1,619.90</b>
Fundraising	3	1,184.30	-	<b>1,184.30</b>	<b>2,141.00</b>
Charitable activities		630.00	-	<b>630.00</b>	<b>700.00</b>
Other trading activities		-	-	-	-
Investments		45.10	-	<b>45.10</b>	<b>22.90</b>
<b>Total income</b>		<b>1,859.40</b>	<b>17,245.07</b>	<b>19,104.47</b>	<b>12,246.99</b>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>					
Raising funds		-	-	-	-
Charitable activities	4	1,187.13	13,551.00	14,738.13	11,227.81
Other trading activities		-	-	-	-
<b>Total expenditure</b>		<b>1,187.13</b>	<b>13,551.00</b>	<b>14,738.13</b>	<b>11,227.81</b>
Net income before transfers		7,009.28	(784.07)	<b>6,225.31</b>	<b>5,206.03</b>
Transfers between funds		-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		672.27	3,694.07	4,366.34	1,019.18
<b>Total funds brought forward</b>		<b>7,681.55</b>	<b>2,910.00</b>	<b>10,591.55</b>	<b>6,225.21</b>



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Chair

27 October 2025

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Date

**Notes**

1. Grants from Govt included £6,832 from Welsh Government Perthyn Fund; £5,435 from Carmarthenshire County Council Targeted Facility Fund; £1,335 from the Welsh Church Fund, all for community centre Project Development.
2. Other Grants included £3,511 from The Pilgrim Trust for Project Development and £129 from Cilycwm Community Council for a Zoom license.
3. Donations included private donations and fundraising from Cilycwm Church Nine Lessons & Carols, the National Grid and Capel Ty Newydd.
4. Project Development costs included Architect's fees for Capel y Groes community centre, surveys and planning fees.
5. Menter Cilycwm own Capel y Groes building and it will be valued at the end of Capital Works phase.
6. Debtors include room hirers and the Pilgrim Trust grant due in.
7. Designated Funds included £951.85 for Capel Ty Newydd.