



## **Report of the Trustees for the period November 2024-November 2025 and for the financial year ended 29 February 2025**

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### **ABOUT GPG <http://penarthgreening.cymru/>**

GPG is in its 15<sup>th</sup> year, with 2024-25 our third full year as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation, with the overall aim of protecting the environment for the public benefit in Penarth and environs, by promoting the sharing, repairing and re-using of products; raising awareness on environmental issues; and promoting biodiversity.

### **EVENTS**

Several events for public benefit have been organised in the period November 2024 – November 2025, including:

- November 2024: **GPG annual public meeting**, sharing news on our projects and presentations from speakers about a net zero future for Penarth, seeking views from participants on steps to take in the year to come.



**A NET ZERO FUTURE  
- PENARTH -  
DYFODOL SERO NET**

**When? Pryd?**  
Monday 25 November  
Dydd Llun 25 Tachwedd  
7-8.30pm

**Where? Ble?**  
Belle Vue Pavilion,  
Penarth  
Pafiliwn Belle Vue

**Come and discuss | Dewch i drafod:**

- What will a net zero Penarth look like? Beth fydd dyfodol sero net yn golygu ym Mhenarth?
- How will we get around? what food will we eat? what will our homes look like? Sut fyddwn ni'n teithio? beth fyddwn yn bwyta? sut fydd ein cartrefi yn edrych?

More info / gwybodaeth pellach: <http://penarthgreening.cymru>



**Wild About Penarth  
Gwyllt am Benarth**

Come and learn about practical actions that increase biodiversity in our gardens & around town.  
Dewch i ddysgu am gamau ymarferol fydd yn cynyddu bio-amrywiaeth yn ein gerddi ac o gwmpas ein tref.

**Monday 12 May, 7-8.30pm**  
Belle Vue Pavilion, CF64 1DB  
Dydd Llun 12 Mai, 7-8.30yh  
Pafiliwn Belle Vue, CF64 1DB

Find out more | gwybodaeth pellach  
<http://penarthgreening.cymru>

- May 2025: **Bio-diversity event - Wild about Penarth**: An evening of talks, discussion and community connection. Highlighting why the natural world that supports us is so important, and what we can do in our own gardens, and across our public spaces, to protect and encourage nature.
- July 2025: GPG had a shared stall at **Penarth's Summer Festival** and also at the Local Nature Partnership's **Vale Nature Festival 2025** to promote our work with the community.
- September 2025: Supported Penarth Community's **Great Beach Clean up Survey**, as part of the Marine Conservation Society's Great British Beach Clean.



**PENARTH COMMUNITY'S  
GREAT BEACH  
CLEAN UP & SURVEY  
28 Sep 2025**

**A PENARTH COMMUNITY COLLABORATION**

Logos of partner organizations: Penarth Civic Society, GPG, Benthyc, Penarth, Penarth & Porthcawl, Penarth Pier Pavilion, Vale of Glamorgan, Plastic Free Penarth, and others.

- October 2025: **Apple Day**. A very successful community, family friendly event organised by GPG and Penarth Growing Community in collaboration with a number of other community groups in Penarth. The event celebrated local fruit with participants having the opportunity to make and taste apple juice from our presses, and those that have their own apple trees were invited to bring along their fruit for juicing. The event also included autumnal games and craft activities for children.
- November 2025: **GPG's AGM** which included an update of our activities over the last 12 months, a viewing of the "Climate Change: the Facts" film followed by a discussion with members of the community including Penarth Youth Action.



Our activities were covered in the Penarth Times local paper throughout the year:

- <https://www.penarthtimes.co.uk/news/25121866.penarth-environmental-group-hosting-biodiversity-event/> (28 April)
- <https://www.penarthtimes.co.uk/news/25196722.penarth-residents-attend-wild-penarth-event/> (28 May)
- <https://www.penarthtimes.co.uk/news/25507878.penarth-apple-day-returns-six-year-break/> (2 October)
- <https://www.penarthtimes.co.uk/news/25532438.penarth-host-apple-day-belle-vue-park-october/> (10 October)
- <https://www.penarthtimes.co.uk/news/25559313.penarth-apple-day-marks-bumper-crop-community-spirit/> (22 October)
- <https://www.penarthtimes.co.uk/news/25595683.gwyrddio-penarth-greening-hosts-agm-autumn-event/> (4 November)

## CURRENT PROJECTS

**Benthyg Penarth** <https://penarth.benthyg.cymru/>

- Penarth's library of things, currently based in the Kymin, launched March 2021 by GPG in collaboration with Benthyg Cymru, with original funding from Natural Resources Wales and the WCVA.
- Now in its fifth year, and one of the most successful libraries of things in Wales, GPG has been awarded a further £20,000 from the National Lottery Awards for All to continue and expand its services for a further 12 months.

## **Penarth Growing Community <http://penarthgrowingcommunity.co.uk/>**

- Celebrating successful collaborations to grow community endeavours - including with Dinas Powys Wild About Nature and Orchard Cardiff, Penarth Civic Society & Friends of St Joseph's Park.
- Ongoing collaboration with Friends of the Kymin with fortnightly Saturday sessions when volunteers come together to maintain the fruit orchard, tend the raised beds, wildflower spaces and tiny food forest.
- This winter will also see the planting of woodland edge tree species in the Kymin to increase habitat and biodiversity, with support from Local Nature Partnership (LNP) and Vale of Glamorgan councils.

## **Placemaking**

- GPG contributed to the Vale of Glamorgan's Placemaking initiative including attending consultation events to inform the development of the plan.
- GPG Trustees attended VoG events, contributed to Penarth Placemaking discussions and attended the launch of Penarth's Placemaking plan in September 2025 .
- The Plan reflects many of GPG's priorities and identifies projects under six themes:
  - A Sustainable future for Streets and Open Spaces
  - Public and sustainable transport
  - Economic Vibrancy and Visitor Economy
  - Traffic Management
  - Health and Wellbeing Provision
  - Connectivity Between Town Centre and Seafront.

The Plan provides a useful framework for GPG'S ongoing work with our local Councils.

## **PARTNERSHIP CONTRIBUTIONS**

### **Penarth Forum**

- A collaboration between representatives of the Penarth Business Group, Penarth Civic Society, Living Streets and GPG, geared towards developing and implementing Penarth's Placemaking Plan.

## **PRIORITIES FOR 2025-26**

- Growing our projects and volunteers
- Engaging with local councils and decision makers (Vale of Glamorgan Council; Penarth Town Council) to bring about projects identified in the Placemaking Plan
- Building our relationships with partner organisations
- Holding further events
- Recruiting trustees



## ACCOUNTS: 2024-25

GPG annual accounts for 2024/25 (28th February year end)

	General Funds	Access Penarth	Benthyg Penarth	Growing Together	Total
Income	352.50	0	1,007.44	0	1,359.94
Costs	808.80	0	0	0	808.80
Surplus/Deficit 24/25	-456.30	0	1,007.44	0	551.14
Brought Forward	1,151.19	160.20	7,159.99	169.09	8,640.47
Carried Forward	694.89	160.20	8,167.43	169.09	9,191.61

These accounts are based on bank transactions only. Benthyg Penarth holds some cash income and has made some small cash purchases which are not included here.



Tony Cooke  
Treasurer, GPG

Notes:

The £352.50 income to general funds was a Climate week grant and the £808.80 was costs for a climate week event. Benthyg Penarth costs were met by Benthyg Cymru but some loan fees were being paid into GPG's bank account.