

LLANGORS YOUTH AND COMMUNITY CENTRE

(Registered Charity Number – 247177)

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The charity exists to provide and maintain a village hall for the use of the inhabitants of the Llangors without distinction of political, religious or other opinions, including use for meetings, lectures and classes, and for other forms of recreation and leisure time occupation, with the object of improving the conditions of life for the inhabitants.

Summary:

The last 12 months has been a successful one with bookings continuing to be strong. Most days sees the Centre being used by various hirers offering a variety of activities. We have several regular hirers who are becoming very long standing and we are immensely grateful to these. Two new regular hirers have recently started, namely a ukulele group and a dementia café.

Event	Frequency
Post Office	Twice weekly, 2 hours
Art Group	Weekly during term time, 2 hours
Pilates	Weekly, 1 hour
Pickleball	Weekly, 2 hours (Started September 2024)
Cub Scout Group	Weekly during term times, 1 ½ hours
Older Persons Exercise Group	Weekly, 1 hour
Badminton	Weekly during term times, 2 hours
Drama	Weekly during term times, 3 hours (discontinued 24.10.24)
Coffee mornings	Weekly, 2 hours
Potage and Pudding	Monthly, 2hours
Ukulele practice	Weekly, 2 hours (Started March 2025)
Dementia Café	Monthly, 2 hours (started March 2025)
Parkinson Society meeting	Monthly, 3 hours

There have been several private functions, meetings and talks namely -

- Community Council meetings; County Councillor meetings; MP surgery: Police and General Elections; Community Centre meetings; AGM; Bannau Brycheiniog National Park;
- Syfaddan History talks, Weekend History Display, AGM, Church talk,
- Welcome day for Refugees, HBTSR meetings, BBQ,
- Siop Llangors Shop training; meetings; AGM
- Black Mountain Challenge
- Children's birthday parties (4), Naming ceremony, Weddings (1)
- Funeral teas (3)
- Private parties (5)

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- Defibrillator training (26 people attended)
- Lamda exams
- Quiz
- Bingo

The management committee would like to thank those who hired the hall during the year, whether regular users or those who hired it for a one-off event.

Fundraising activities by the committee members:

- Village fete; Boules tournament; Christmas Market; Quiz and Curry; Whist Drive; Pantomime

A highly successful pantomime was organised by one of the committee members, Lynn Clausen, supported by other members and many helpers. Three performances were enjoyed by over 300 people. It highlighted the enormous talent and community spirit there is in the neighbourhood.

Christmas lights were displayed on 2 trees in the village. The committee would like to thank Llangors Community Council for the purchase of one new set of lights.

Regular meetings of the management committee have been held throughout the year with the AGM taking place in May. A presentation by Lyndall Merry after the meeting highlighted the methods used to grow vegetables at Bryn Celyn, Llangors. Lydall has a stall selling vegetables, one morning a week, in the car park of the Community Centre from May through to October.

The focus for the management committee during the past twelve months was to encourage new members. It has been successful, with five new members joining, namely Mike Jones, Izaak Duffy, Colin Stroud, Kyria Greenow and Matthew Vaughan. Mike was appointed as treasurer following the resignation of Lawrence Duffy. Lawrence remains a committee member. As Lloyds Bank in Brecon closed in February 2025, the treasurer has arranged for the banking to be managed on line. Card machines have been purchased to allow for card payments to be made. Many of the hirer's fees are now paid on line. A savings account has been opened. (See Financial Report).

The committee has sought advice about the installation of an air source heat pump to reduce the carbon footprint by utilising renewable energy. The advice obtained suggested that it would be preferable to wait until the gas boiler needed to be replaced as it is relatively new (2018). The centre remains committed to becoming carbon neutral by 2030.

A new sound system was installed in July 2024 with the aid of a grant from The Green Man Trust. This has proved to be invaluable especially for use by speakers giving talks, quizzes, bingo etc.

A colourful new sign at the entrance to the car park highlighting Hwb Llangors, i.e. Playpark, Community Centre and Siop Llangors Shop has been erected. The committee are grateful to Dave Freeland for making and erecting the sign.

The committee is consulting with a local IT specialist to set up an online booking system. This work is ongoing.

Children's Play Park:

The Community Centre has a 25-year lease from Powys County Council on land adjacent to the Community Centre which is used as a play and recreation area. The area continues to be a huge asset to the community with children and adults regularly using the facilities. Members of the committee undertake bi monthly inspections of the equipment and facilities with an annual RoSPA inspection organised by Powys County Council and funded by Llangors Community Council.

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Guy Jones, Powys Funding Officer of The National Lottery, visited in October 2024 and was extremely impressed with the facilities created within Hwb Llangors, which was funded largely by the National Lottery Community Fund.

Repairs on the replica 'Iron Age Round House' sited within the play park have now been finished with daubing completed in November 2024.

Grass cutting continues to be undertaken by 2 members of the committee. A tree was cut down in the play park as it had Ash dieback.

Siop Llangors Shop:

Land adjacent to the Community Centre is leased to a committee who run a local community run shop and coffee shop. It is also a valuable asset to the local community and is supported by the Community Centre.

The Chair wished to thank all the committee members who have worked hard this past 12 months to ensure the Community Centre goes from strength to strength -

Colin Preece; Robert East; Wally James; Mike Jones; Lawrence Duffy; Sam Ridge; Colin Stroud; Izaak Duffy; Matthew Vaughan; Ailsa Dunn; Lynn Clausen; Maureen Lowe; Kyria Greenow. Thanks must be extended to Alison Willmott who continues to take bookings for the Community Centre and issues invoices and to Derek Willmott who helps with opening and closing the Centre. Also thanks to Kevin Gethings for continuing to undertake weekly cleaning of the Community Centre.

Future:

1. 2025 is the 25th anniversary of the opening of the Community Centre in April 2000. A plaque will be unveiled to commemorate this event.
2. Negotiate renewal of the lease with Siop Llangors Shop in November 2025.
3. Maintain the fabric of the building, including some interior and exterior painting to ensure the Community Centre is maintained to a high standard.
4. Organise the cleaning of the underfloor heating, replace the boiler control panel.
5. Train members in H&S, Fire Safety Policies and procedures. Update risk assessments and policies as necessary.
6. Tidy the borders of the car park and maintain the flower beds in the play park

Melrose East (Chair)

April 2025

Llangorse Youth and Community Centre Year ended 31 March 2024

Income

Play Park grant	45,543
Hall bookings	6,012
Promise auction /curry	5,453
Shop electric	3,937
Feed in tariff	1,779
Fete profit	1,696
Christmas market	756
Voneus	719
Shop rent	600
Coffee / books	570
Ball	300

Total Income £ 67,365

Expenses

Redlynch (Play Park)	44,922
Insurance	2,515
Gas	2,289
Electricity	1,271
Sri Lanka donation	1,000
Boiler service / repairs	930
Water rates	744
Play park signs	760
Fire alarm testing	767
Roundhouse thatch (net of grant)	700
Miscellaneous	47

Total Expenses £55,945

Excess of income £ 11,420

Bank balance 1 April 2023 £ 22,568

Bank balance 31 March 2024 £ 33,988



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's
report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Llangorse Public Institute

On accounts for the year
ended

31 March 2024

Charity no
(if any) 247177

Set out on page

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/3/2024

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act"). I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts

Independent
examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:

R J Eagle

Date: 4/10/2025

Name:

R J Eagle

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):

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