

Trustee Report April 2023 – April 2024

Administration:

Name: Neuadd Y Pentre

Registration No. 254572

Address: Neuadd y Pentre, Bontddu, Dolgallau LL40 2UE

Trustees:

Meena Davies (Vice-Chair)

Jonathan Pike (Treasurer)

Joanne Pennock (Chair)

Eirlys Roberts

Suzanne Simpson

Paul Thomson

Sue Townshend

Kevin Williams

Richard Williams

Structure, governance and management:

Neuadd y Pentre is a registered Charity, working as a charitable unincorporated association with a voting membership under a Constitution dated 28th November 1986. During 2023/2024 the Constitution has been under review with members and trustees in order to comply with regulations set out in the Charities Act 2011. A new constitution was agreed in November 2024.

Management of Neuadd y Pentre activity is undertaken through regular meetings for members and trustees, with an appointed Chair, Vice-chair and Treasurer. At the AGM 3rd April 2023 Joanne Pennock and Meena Davies were voted in as Chair and Vice-Chair respectively by 8 members present. Jon Pike stepped down as acting Chair, to continue as Treasurer. Members (23 in this report period) are contacted regularly with meeting minutes and event information by email. General meetings open to all members were held in November 2023, February and March 2024.

Objectives and activities

The object of the Charity is the provision and maintenance of a village hall for the use of the inhabitants of the area of the former Community of Llanaber (to include Bontddu, Taicynhaef, Farcynys, Caerdeon, Penmaenpool) 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 said inhabitants.

Activities held April 23 – April 24 included 4 committee meetings, weekly line dance classes, regular business meetings for Treherne Care Group Bontddu, occasional craft classes, 4 children's music events, social gatherings for village residents (2), fundraising events (Air Ambulance £500; Macmillan £80).

Achievements and performance

The Chair and Vice-Chair submitted a grant proposal to Gwynedd council which was successfully funded on the 3rd January 2024 by Mantell Gwynedd (£76,351). This was to respond to resident feedback regarding the need for renovation of the Neuadd, particularly the kitchen. Feedback included: *‘The facilities are old and out of date. Despite the great work from the volunteers to keep on top of them they do not encourage people to use the facilities. The time spent with cleaning and maintenance of these very old amenities could be used to provide more functions and community nights’*; *‘We have lost our local pub so the hall is our only resource’*; *‘We have no other community facility and it is vital the one place we have can be something we are all proud of and want to use.’* The proposal was supported by Delyth Lloyd Griffiths (County Council Member), Cygor Cymuned Llanelltyd (Custodian Trustees), Treherne Care Group (local business). Proposed work included: complete kitchen renovation to include installation of efficient appliances (fridges, freezer, oven microwave, dishwasher); upgrade of roof insulation; replacement double glazed windows; removal of oil fired boiler and heating upgrade; installation of 3 phase electricity supply to support new heating and kitchen appliances; bathroom upgrade to include motion sensor lights and hand driers. This work was still in progress in April 2024. The due date for works completion was scheduled for 31st January 2025.

Additional resident feedback included requests for more children’s activities, so in January 2024 a weekly youth group was started for children resident in Bontddu by Joanne Pennock and Jenny Hulme (member). The group has been attended by 10-12 children on a weekly basis.

In anticipation of increased use of the hall, the diary was taken online in order to facilitate easy auditing of activities. January – April 2024, 240 people were reached through 23 separate activities.

Financial review

Policy on reserves: we do not hold reserves as our charity income and expenditure are both normally very low and we barely cover our costs. We do not have sufficient funds to justify a separate reserve account. We therefore do not have a reserves policy. Any surplus funds are held in the current account and it is our practice to discuss all significant and irregular expenditure (>£100) at General Meetings to ensure there is broad membership buy in.

No funds are materially in deficit.

Funds held as custodian trustee on behalf of others

Not applicable.

Public benefit statement

It is confirmed that the Trustees have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the Commission in exercising their powers or duties.



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

NEUADD Y PENTRE

254572

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

01/04/2023

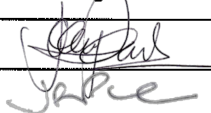

To

31/03/2024

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donations	1,583	-	-	1,583	-
Hire Income	469	-	-	469	-
Community Council Grants	750	-	-	750	-
Mantell Gwynedd Grant	30,000	-	-	30,000	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	32,802	-	-	32,802	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	32,802	-	-	32,802	-
A3 Payments					
Bank Charges	71	-	-	71	-
Insurance	443	-	-	443	-
Water Rates	177	-	-	177	-
Electricity	683	-	-	683	-
Broadband	565	-	-	565	-
Repairs & Maintenance	4,179	-	-	4,179	-
Expenses	81	-	-	81	-
Defibrillator	1,882	-	-	1,882	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	8,081	-	-	8,081	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	8,081	-	-	8,081	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	24,721	-	-	24,721	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	30,145	-	-	30,145	-
Cash funds this year end	54,866	-	-	54,866	-

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Bank Account	54,866	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	54,866	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
		JOANNE PENNOCK	27/01/25	
		JONATHAN PIKE	27/01/25	



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Neuadd y Pentre

On accounts for the year
ended

31/03/2024

Charity no
(if any)

254572

Set out on pages

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/03/2024.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity's trustees, 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 carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

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:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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

Signed: *Rhys Davies*

Date: 26/01/2024

Name: Rhys Davies

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

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