

The Puffin

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WHAT'S HAPPENING WHERE

It may be February already but it's not too late for us to say '**Blwyddyn Newydd Dda/Happy New Year**' to all of our readers. Here's hoping that 2018 won't be too interesting... Here's a round-up of what's on in the locality. It doesn't cover everything that's on, so if you think that an event is missing and should be mentioned, do let us know, please; our contact details and submission deadlines are given on page 8.

Llangoed:

- **Whist group:** alternate Thursdays, 1.30pm-3.00pm, Pont y Brenin Hub.
- **Bingo:** the third Friday of the month at Pont y Brenin Hub at 7.00pm.
- **Knitting Club:** the third Monday of the month at Pont y Brenin hub, 2.00pm-3.00pm.
- **Clwb Garddio Llangoed Gardening Club:** the third Monday at 7.30pm, Llangoed Village Hall.
- **Zumba:** every Wednesday, 6.30pm-7.30pm, Llangoed Village Hall.
- **Martial Arts:** every Monday, Tuesday and Friday, all at Llangoed Village Hall: (1) karate for 3-6-year-olds, 4.30pm-5.00pm; (2) karate for 7-12-year-olds, 5.15pm-6.00pm; (3) habit fitness class, 6.15pm-6.45pm; (4) adult kick-boxing, 7.00pm-8.00pm.
- **Clwb Ifanc Ffermwyr Llangoed Young Farmers Club:** every Monday, 7.30pm-9.00pm, Llanddona Village Hall (*not* Llangoed Village Hall). Telephone Delyth Owen on 01248 810385 for more information.

Llanddona:

- **Anglesey & Caernarfon Dog Training Club:** usually meets every Wednesday at Llanddona Village Hall, starting at 8.00pm for about one hour; there's also a monthly dog walk towards the end of each month. For more information contact Andrew Perrott at ajbperrott@yahoo.co.uk.

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- **Llanddona Book Reading Club:** usually meets on the second Tuesday of the month at the Owain Glyndŵr pub. Contact Kirsty Simpson at kirstyalisonsimpson@hotmail.com for more information.
- **Ffair Pasg/Easter Fair:** Llanddona Village Hall, Saturday 24 March 2018, 10.00am-12.00 noon.
- **Drwy'r Oesoedd – Llanddona – Through the Ages:** Llanddona Village Hall, Saturday 14 April 2018, 10.00am-4.00pm: this will be the third and final part of our celebration of Llanddona's rich community history.
- **Neuadd Bentref Newydd Llanddona New Village Hall:** there's an update on page 4.



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- **Table top sale:** the first Sunday of the month, 10.00am-4.00pm, at the Canolfan Beumaris Leisure Centre; refreshments are available. E-mail enquiries@canolfanbeumaris.org.uk or telephone 01248 811200 for more information.
- **Antiques & collectors' fair:** the third Sunday of the month, 10.00am-4.00pm, at the Canolfan Beumaris Leisure Centre; refreshments are available. Contact morganfairs@hotmail.com or telephone 07516 277794 for information/bookings

Griffith's Crossing, Caernarfon:

- **Crûg Farm Plants Spring Fair:** Saturday 5 May 2018, 10.00am-4.30pm, Griffith's Crossing, Caernarfon LL55 1TU; it's a must if you like interesting and unusual plants. For more information telephone 01248 670232 or visit <http://www.crug-farm.co.uk/>.

NEUADD BENTREF LLANGOED VILLAGE HALL: HELPERS REQUIRED

We require helpers to assist with the running of Llangoed Village Hall.

The work involved includes opening the Hall for events, helping on the bar for weddings, parties, etc., keeping the Hall and grounds tidy, improving the Hall and outbuildings (this could include some small building works and/or decorating), taking bookings and showing potential hirers round the Hall.

LLANGOED VILLAGE HALL

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Available for hire!

We are currently looking for more community membership of the committee. Please come to the next meeting - 2nd Tuesday of the month - 7pm - in the hall itself. Everyone welcome!

Facilities:

- Main hall and separate function room available for hire together or separately.
- Stage for concerts / gigs.
- Bar - available on request.
- Room for over 200 people, 100+ seated.
- Tables and chairs available.
- Kitchen with cooker, hotplate, microwave, fridge etc.
- Disabled access & toilet.

The prices are very reasonable & all money raised through hire goes towards running & maintaining the hall.

For more information on cost and availability please e-mail llangoedvillagehall@gmail.com or call: Gareth Moore on 07879 445952OR visit our facebook page: www.facebook.com/llangoed.villagehall

There is a monthly meeting in the Hall (which is not compulsory) on the second Tuesday at 7.30pm when issues are agreed and jobs allocated.

The work is voluntary and is not onerous. The Committee has shrunk in size so that all the work falls on the same few people: hence our request for help to spread the load.

(Keith Whitehead)

TIPSY TART: A SOUTH AFRICAN RECIPE

A lack of space in the last issue of **The Puffin** meant that this delicious recipe could not be included. Never mind; here it is.

Tipsy Tart is a cake to drool over...moist and delicious, a treat for the taste buds...it's a simple and old-fashioned South African recipe, with farmhouse-style quantities, so you can halve the quantities and still have enough for a decent-sized dessert.

Tart ingredients:

250g/½ lb stoned dates
1 tsp bicarbonate of soda
250ml/1 cup boiling water
125ml/½ cup butter or margarine
250ml/1 cup sugar
2 eggs, beaten
500ml/2 cups plain flour
1 tsp baking powder
½ tsp salt
250ml/1 cup chopped walnuts

What to do:

- Cut up the dates, divide into two equal parts, add bicarbonate of soda to one half and pour boiling water over; stir to mix and leave to cool
- Cream the butter and sugar until creamy and add the beaten eggs; mix well
- Sift together the dry ingredients and fold into the first mixture; add the *dry* half of dates and nuts; stir in the *wet* date and bicarbonate of soda mixture and mix thoroughly
- Turn the batter into one large baking dish or two 22cm/9" tart plates
- Bake in a moderate oven at 180°C (160°C fan) for 30-40 minutes.

Syrup ingredients:

312ml/1¼ cup sugar
1 tbsp butter
188ml/¾ cup water
1 tsp vanilla essence
Pinch of salt
125ml/½ cup brandy

What to do:

- Cook the sugar, butter and water for 5 minutes
- Remove from heat, add vanilla essence, salt and brandy; stir to mix
- Pour the syrup gently all over the hot Tipsy Tart so that it soaks in
- Serve hot or cold with whipped cream.

Variations:

You can poke holes in the top of cake with a skewer to help the syrup to soak through the whole tart. If you decide not to do so the syrup runs to the edge of the cake and permeates down the sides, making the sides soggy and leaving the centre drier. Doing it slowly from the middle outwards, will help distribute the syrup more evenly. Tipsy Tart can be eaten as a cold cake, but it is best as a hot pudding, with whipped cream!

and MV *St Trillo* – that journeyed along the North Wales coast until the 1960s, their black hulls topped with a custard yellow funnel or two.



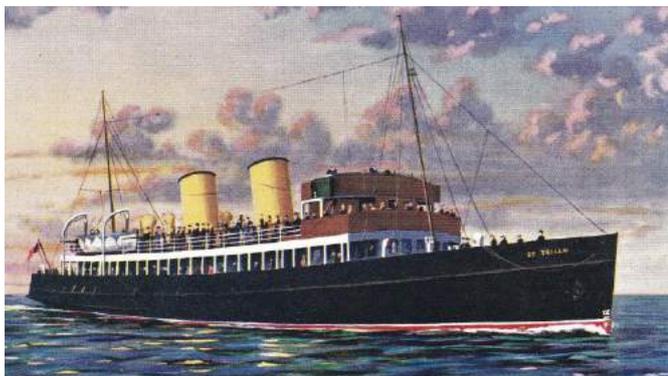
TS *St Tudno*: built by Fairfields in 1926; steam turbine; 2,326 gross tons; length 319 feet; speed 19 knots; capacity 2,493 passengers. She was the mainstay of the Liverpool to Llandudno and Menai Bridge sailings until their cessation in 1962, and was broken up in Belgium in 1963. (A Perrott)

All three served in World War 2, TS *St Seiriol* having the distinction of being the first ship to arrive at Dunkirk to embark troops from the beaches. During the evacuation,



TS *St Seiriol*: built by Fairfields in 1931; steam turbine; 1,586 gross tons; length 269 feet; speed 18½ knots; capacity 1,556 passengers. She was built as a smaller second ship to assist *St Tudno* and operate Isle of Man excursions. She was broken up in Belgium in 1963. (A Perrott)

she went to the assistance of the former Thames paddle steamer, HMS *Crested Eagle*, which was ablaze, rescuing 150 badly-wounded troops.



MV *St Trillo*: built by Fairfields in 1936 as *St Silio* and renamed in 1945; two Crossley diesel engines; 314 gross tons; length 149 feet; speed 12 knots; capacity 568 passengers. She operated short cruises from Llandudno. In 1963 she was sold to P&A Campbell, who operated her from 1963 until 1969, her final North Wales season, after which she was laid up at Barry, being scrapped in 1975. (A Perrott)

Sadly, voyages by these three ships more or less ended when the Liverpool & North Wales Steamship Company went into voluntary liquidation at the end of the 1962 season. The last of the three ships, MV *St Trillo*, was

sold to P&A Campbell, which company continued to run excursions from Llandudno until the late 1960s.

The Liverpool & North Wales Steamship Company was reincorporated in October 2016, and aims to reintroduce the former pleasure steamer market to the public, recreating the era of sea travel in the 1950s-1980s around the Irish Sea and river Mersey. The company operates four vessels, one of which is currently in refit in Liverpool awaiting entry into service in 2020.

Here's hoping that the service will include voyages along the Menai Strait to Menai Bridge.



MV *Balmoral*, 8 July 2016: built by Thornycroft in 1949; two Newbury (later two Grenaa) diesel engines; 688 gross tons; length 203 feet. She was built for service on the Solent until 1968, when she became part of the P&A Campbell fleet. By 1980 she was the last working member of that fleet; she became a 'heritage' ship in the mid-1980s. (A Perrott)

MV *Balmoral*: on a sadder note, readers may be interested in this statement on White Funnel Ltd's website: *White Funnel Ltd regret to announce that circumstances prevent MV Balmoral from operating in 2018 and our office is now closed until further notice. MV Balmoral is now in the care of the company's maintenance volunteer team, and is now at her winter berth outside M Shed in Bristol. She will return...*

(Andrew Perrott)

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NEUADD BENTREF LLANDDONA VILLAGE HALL: AN UPDATE

The wheels are turning, slowly but surely... a price has been agreed with Isle of Anglesey CC for the sale of the old primary school and land.



24 January 2018: Neuadd Bentref Llanddona Village Hall, 1934-2018: 84 years of sterling service to Llanddona and its community (A Perrott)

The timescale is tight, with the funding from the Welsh Government in place for us to buy the old primary school by the end of March 2018. The aim is to have it

running by the end of June 2018, which means a great deal of work in a short period.

The Welsh Government grant will be supplemented by a number of grants from other sources and, of course, our own fundraising efforts, the next one being the Ffair Pasg/Easter Fair on Saturday 24 March 2018.

We would like to say a big 'thank you' to everybody who attended the very positive open meeting in the Village Hall on 14 November 2018; this resulted in quite a list of volunteers.



24 January 2018: the old primary school, 2018-?: there are many years of sterling service to Llanddona and its community to come (A Perrott)

Planned changes to the old primary school will involve some minor remediation work and improvements to allow it to be used by people of all abilities. The existing Village Hall is used by a wide variety of organisations such as the young farmers' group, the weekly dog training club and the community choir, to name just a few.

(Rhian Hughes, Carys Roberts)

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LLANGOED: POPPIES ON DOORS

Over a year ago I was given a map of Penmaenmawr, showing the homes from which men had been lost in the Great War of 1914-1918.

I was told that the villagers had hung a poppy with brief details of the man lost outside each of these houses during November 2016. Aha, I thought: what Penmaenmawr can do, Llangoed can do, too!

The first step was to photograph the 1914-1918 War Memorial in Llangoed Village Hall. It has taken me a year to research the 22 men on this Memorial, and even then a couple of them have very little information. The Memorial is for the men of Llangoed, Llaniestyn, Llanfihangel and Penmon. Only when I started to look at other local Memorials was I able to find out more, as some men are commemorated twice (or more). One lad from Menai Bridge is commemorated on 7 Memorials! To the list of 22 local men, I added a gunner who had won the French Military Medal, and Frederik Mertens, a 13 year old Belgian refugee who died while his family were living in Llangoed.

The ladies of the Menai Embroiderers' Guild made beautiful knitted red poppies, and Mrs Maggie Hill from Beaumaris made white poppies for Frederik's house and grave. All of the poppies were much admired: they were beautiful. Graham and Jane kindly laminated the

little cards to which the poppies were attached. The result was a memorable afternoon in the Village Hall early in November 2017 when local people were able to read about each of the men commemorated and ask questions. Geraldine and Chris staffed the kitchen, offering tea and cakes to all. Margaret, Betty, Enid and John helped with local knowledge and Pat and Dawn welcomed visitors; my sincere apologies to those whom we missed on that occasion.

Through all of this, I found out about young men signing up straight from school, one who lied about his age; older men who left wives and children behind; the distress of children whose father had gone, never to return; parents who busied themselves with war work and design of the Memorials, hoping to hold off the great sadness they felt and the families who still keep alive the memories and stories of loved ones who went, never to return. Some were local lads born and bred; some were born here and had moved away; some had grown up in other parts of the UK but their parents had come to live in the village...very much as it is today.

The list includes Captain Rodric Mathafarn Williams, who joined the Royal Welsh Fusiliers at Aberystwyth University, later transferring to the Royal Flying Corps (which became the RAF). He is also commemorated in Bangor. Two men of the Royal Welch Fusiliers (RWF) lost their lives in Iraq, and are now buried in Basra. Two were stokers on board ship; that was hard work, and they would have been very fit. Several were gunners in the Royal Artillery; they would have been good at maths. One man joined the RWF, then transferred to the Royal Engineers Tunnelling Company; he had probably been a quarry worker and was used to explosives. Another joined the RWF as a private and was later commissioned, then sent to serve with the Royal Naval Division: sailors in trenches.



The impressive Mametz Wood Memorial (see below) commemorates an engagement of the 38th (Welsh) Division of the British Army during the First Battle of the Somme in France in 1916. It was commissioned by the South Wales Branch of the Western Front Association following a public funding-raising appeal, and was erected in 1987. It is located near the site of the engagement, and may be reached from the village of Mametz on the D64 road; it was refurbished in time for the 100th anniversary of the Battle in 2016. (Caroline Davies: Pinterest)

The distances they travelled were surprising: to Egypt, Iraq and Turkey as well as to France and Belgium.

Several were lost at Mametz Wood in northern France, where the Welsh Regiments made a supreme sacrifice; the wood is now marked by an evocative sculpture of a dragon gripping barbed wire. One man lied about his

age and died in France, still only 18 years old. Another joined up in 1914 and died a year later in Egypt, leaving a wife and seven children behind. One man died of flu in October 1918, just as the war was coming to an end; he had married in late 1916 and joined up in early 1917.

Saddest of all are the men whose stories have been lost: Edward Jones of Tan Dinas; William Roberts of Llaniestyn; J Williams of Penmon Priory and gunner R Williams of Tan y Pentre Bach. Does anybody know any more of these men?

What was the highlight of this all? Hearing from the families who still remember the men...I saw a walker stop to read one of the poppy labels and, at that moment, a Llangoed man was remembered for his sacrifice.

(Bridget Geoghegan)

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THE DAY OF THE GIANT PUMPKINS

Giant Pumpkins in Beaumaris: Beaumaris RNLi benefitted once again from the success of local green-fingered allotment-holders and their magnificent Giant Pumpkins, a cheque for £225 being handed over to Beaumaris RNLi to help members of the crew to help them with their vital work.

Thanks to the generosity of the Bulkeley Hotel, the Bull Hotel, and the Red Boat, who hosted the competitions, visitors were able to guess the weights of three of the heaviest pumpkins grown this year. Dafydd Rowlands of Joan Hopkin Estate Agents sponsored the award for Heaviest Pumpkin at the recent BAAFTAs (Beaumaris Annual Awards For The Allotments).



Rear row: Dave Jones (Site Manager of Beaumaris Allotments Society), Will Roberts, Steve Bernard, David Robertson (the Bull Hotel), Rhian Wyn Owen, Paul Blackwell
Front row: Ian Davies (winner of award for Heaviest Pumpkin), Stroma Pallett (Vice-Chairman of Beaumaris Allotments Society and runner-up for award for Heaviest Pumpkin) (J Anker)

Ian Davies's pumpkin came first with an impressive weight of 69.8kg/154lb and was on display at the Bulkeley Hotel. The next largest, weighing in at 68.0kg/141.9lb, was grown by Stroma Pallett, owner of the popular local Castle Gardens Nursery, and was on display at The Bull Hotel. Stroma's second biggest pumpkin was on display at the Red Boat, and weighed in at 33.4kg/73.7lb.

Jude and the Giant Pumpkin: the world of Giant Pumpkin Growers welcomed a new member to its ranks

this year. 4-year-old Jude Jarrett from Beaumaris began his "new career", growing a superb pumpkin weighing in at an impressive 22.5kg/49.6lb. This won him the Joan Hopkin Award for Junior Giant Pumpkin Grower of the Year for 2017 at the recent BAAFTAs.



Jude Jarrett receives his award from Dafydd Rowlands, sponsor of the Joan Hopkin Junior Giant Pumpkin Grower of the Year Award (J Anker)

The Jarrett family – Jude's parents, Julian and Fergal and his little sister, Bethan – have had their allotment in Beaumaris for less than a year, but in that time they have transformed it from its former neglected state into an impressive plot. As a result they were also awarded The Happy Valley Pavilion Highly Commended Award for Best Newcomer.



The 1st Beaumaris Beavers with their Highly Commended certificates (J Anker)

The 1st Beaumaris Beavers and Zander Theakston (who is also a member of the Beavers) were also awarded Highly Commended certificates for their pumpkins.

(Jill Anker)

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CLWB IFANC FFERMWYR LLANGOED YOUNG FARMERS CLUB

Clwb Ifanc Ffermwyr Llangoed: bob dydd Llun yn Neuadd Bentref Llanddona 'rydym ni yn cyfarfod



Six Young Farmers and one Old Trainer... (L Hennessey)

7.30yh-9.00yh. Mae ffermwyr Ifanc yn grwp da iawn,

'rydym ni yn gwneud llawer o gweithgareddau ac mae o'n gyfle i mynd mewn i cystadlaethau.

Mae yna rhywbeth i bawb; mae'r oedran yn ddechra o 10-26 mlynedd oed.

Ar 29 Ionawr, Andrew Perrott a ci bach Tilly wedi dod am siariad am dan y hyffirddiant cwn.

Llangoed Young Farmers: every Monday in Llanddona Village Hall we meet up from 7.30pm till 9.00pm. Young Farmers is a great group; we do lots of activities and it's a great chance to meet other people and enter competitions.

There's something for everyone; the age limit is 10-26 years old.

On 29 January, Andrew Perrott and Tilly came to chat to us about dog training.

(Lynne Hennessey, Amy Pritchard)

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CWLWM SEIRIOL: EWCH ALLAN I'R AWYR AGORED! GET OUTDOORS!

Ewch allan i'r awyr agored a mwynhewch y manteision! Mae mwy a mwy o bobl yn sylweddoli bod cysylltiad rhwng ansawdd ein bywyd bob dydd ac iechyd ein hamgylchedd naturiol lleol. Mae gan natur y pŵer i newid bywydau a chryfhau a chyfoethogi cymunedau.



Out and about in Seiriol Ward (D Phillipps)

Mae Ynys Môn yn byrlymu o harddwch naturiol. Yn ei chymunedau lleol – trefi, pentrefi, yr arfordir, cefn gwlad – ceir amgylchedd naturiol y mae angen gofalu amdano i sicrhau ei les ar gyfer blynyddoedd i ddod, fel y gall cenedlaethau'r dyfodol elwa ohono hefyd.

Mae prosiect Cwlwm Seiriol yn ymwneud â sbarduno newid cadarnhaol, gwella lleoedd a chreu cyfleoedd ar gyfer cymunedau lleol. Y nod yw ailgysylltu pobl sy'n byw yn Ward Seiriol â'r mannau gwyrdd yn eu cymunedau drwy greu cyfleoedd iddynt gymryd rhan weithgar yn y broses o wella a rheoli'r cynefinoedd naturiol yn eu cymunedau lleol. Bydd y prosiect yn gweithio ar sail dalgylch ar draws y tair cymuned wledig sydd yn Ward Seiriol: Cwm Cadnant, Llanddona a Llangoed, lle mae cynefinoedd pwysig ar dir comin ac mewn asedau sy'n eiddo i'r gymuned yn dirywio.

Mae tair Gwarchodfa Natur Leol yn Ward Seiriol. Ardal o harddwch naturiol yw Gwarchodfa Natur Leol, a'r prif nod yw gwarchod a chyfoethogi'r amgylchedd yno er cerdded sy'n boblogaidd ymysg y bobl leol ac budd bywyd gwyllt a phobl. Maent yn cynnwys llwybrau

ymwelwyr, ac maent yn fannau lle bydd pobl yn dod i fwynhau'r amgylchoedd naturiol. Maent hefyd yn bwysig o safbwynt addysgol; byddant yn aml yn cael eu defnyddio gan ysgolion, colegau a sefydliadau addysg uwch ar gyfer astudiaethau ecolegol.

Yn ystod ein harolwg cymunedol pan oeddem yn datblygu'r prosiect, dywedodd rhai nad oeddent yn gallu gwirfoddoli oherwydd diffyg amser. Fodd bynnag, mae modd goresgyn cyfyngiadau o ran amser hyd yn oed, os yw pobl yn teimlo y bydd y prosiect yn dod â budd ychwanegol. Er enghraifft, os ydynt yn sylweddoli bodgwneud gwaith cadwraeth yn gallu arwain at fanteision o ran iechyd, manteision cymdeithasol a chyfleoedd i ddysgu sgiliau newydd. Bydd y prosiect yn helpu i greu partneriaethau cryf rhwng pobl leol a sefydliadau sy'n gallu cynnig help ac arweiniad. Drwy gydol cyfnod y prosiect, rydym yn bwriadu cydweithio'n agos â sefydliadau partner, yr awdurdod lleol, grwpiau cymunedol a'r bobl sydd wrthi'n gwneud y gwaith.

Ar ddydd Sadwrn 18 Mawrth byddwn yn cynnal digwyddiad yn Llangoed i godi ymwybyddiaeth o'r prosiect a'r hyn y mae'n gobeithio ei gyflawni. Bydd cyfleoedd i gymryd rhan mewn gwahanol weithgareddau ac i gael mwy o wybodaeth am gymryd rhan. Byddwn yn rhannu'r manylion ar ein tudalen Facebook **@CwlwmSeiriol** yn nes at yr amser ac yn dosbarthu posteri a thafenni – felly cadwch olwg amdanynt. Os ydych eisiau mwy o wybodaeth, neu os ydych yn awyddus i helpu i drefnu'r digwyddiad neu helpu yn y digwyddiad ei hun, cysylltwch â **delyth@mentermon.com** neu ffoniwch 01248 725710.

Get outdoors and reap the benefits! There is an increasing realisation that the quality of our everyday lives is linked to the health of our local natural environment. Nature has the power to transform lives and strengthen and enhance communities.

Anglesey is an island replete with natural beauty. Within its local communities – towns, villages, coast and countryside – there is a natural environment that requires looking after to promote its well-being in future years, so that future generations can benefit from it, too.



Monitoring Lleiniog Meadows (D Phillipps)

The Cwlwm Seiriol project is about delivering positive change, making places better and creating opportunities for local communities. The aim is to reconnect people living in Seiriol Ward with their community green spaces by creating opportunities for them to get actively involved with enhancing and managing the natural habitats within their local communities. The project will take a catchment wide approach across the three rural communities of Seiriol Ward: Cwm Cadnant, Llanddona

and Llangoed, where important common lands and community-owned assets are undergoing habitat degradation.

There are three Local Nature Reserves (LNR) within Seiriol Ward. A LNR is an area of natural beauty where the main aim is to conserve and enhance the environment for the benefit of wildlife and people. These contain walking routes that are popular with both local people and visitors, and are places where people come to enjoy natural surroundings. They are also important in an educational context, often being used by schools, colleges and institutes of higher education for ecological studies.

When we carried out our community survey during the development of the project, some respondents noted that a lack of time prevented them from volunteering. Even time constraints can be overcome, however, if people feel that there is added benefit: for example, if they realised that undertaking conservation work can lead to health benefits, social benefits, and opportunities to learn new skills. The project will help create strong partnerships between local people and organisations that can offer help and provide guidance.

Throughout the life of the project we aim to work closely with partner organisations, the local authority, community groups and people on the ground.



Castell Aberlleiniog and boardwalk (D Phillippis)



Anglesey Coastal Path, towards Red Wharf Bay (D Phillippis)

On Sunday 18 March we will be holding an event in Llangoed to raise awareness of the Cwlwm Seiriol project and what it hopes to achieve, and there will be opportunities to take part in different activities and to find out more about getting involved. We will post details on our Facebook page **@CwlwmSeiriol** nearer the date and be distributing posters and fliers, so look out for them. If you would like to know more or get involved in organising or helping out at the event please get in touch with **delyth@mentermon.com** or ring 01248 725710.

(Delyth Phillippis)

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- We will do our best to reply to e-mails quickly.
- If you e-mail photographs and other pictures to us for inclusion in **The Puffin**, please send them in .jpg format if possible; we publish in black and white, not in colour.
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Beaumaris Health Centre	01248 810818	Beaumaris (Spar)	0345 611 2970
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