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# Bishopston Community Council Newsletter



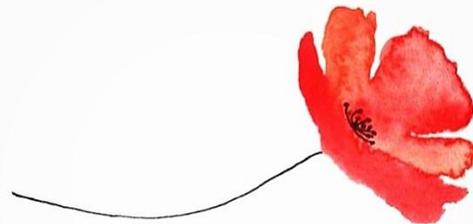
SEPTEMBER 2017

This years Firework display will be on  
Saturday 4th November at 7.00pm

Admission £5 for Adults £3 for Children  
under 16 and under 5's FREE



Armistice Day  
Remembrance Day  
Saturday 11th November  
At 11.00 am.



*lest we forget*

## Call for Gower Community Tourism Ambassadors!

Are you passionate about Gower? Would you like to play a key role in an initiative that will help to promote and protect Gower's incredible landscape and heritage? Then why not join in our exciting new project and train up to be a volunteer 'Community Tourism Ambassador'? Interested? Read on...

We know that beyond Gower's stunningly beautiful beaches there are friendly & welcoming communities, rich and diverse landscapes, hidden gems and local legends to be discovered. We want you to share your knowledge and passion with our visitors, helping them to come to know and understand the precious nature of the real Gower... but we could do with some help! Who we are looking for? What will you do? You will be the kind of person that does their utmost to provide a warm & friendly welcome to Gower visitors and can act as a knowledgeable host. Gower Ambassadors may volunteer to help out at local events, or meet & greet visitors in their own communities. Ambassadors will act to signpost visitors, helping to meet their needs and make their visit to Gower truly special. Still interested? Read on to find out about the training programme and how to sign up! What does the training involve?

- A free, informal and interactive, two day workshop at a local venue (including buffet lunch).
- Gaining and sharing knowledge of all things Gower.
- Building ambassadorial skills.
- Meeting and networking with others in the field.
- Two free (optional) follow up familiarisation visits to visitor attractions on Gower.

When and where?

Day One: Oxwich & Penrice Community Hall Wednesday 27th September (9am - 4pm)

Day Two: Penclwadd Community Centre Wednesday 11th October (9am - 4pm)

What do I do next?

To register your interest to take part in the training and for further details please email the course coordinator, Gareth Kiddie, [gareth@gka.org.uk](mailto:gareth@gka.org.uk) or contact Gareth on (07984) 127811. Be quick though, places on the training are limited and on a first come first serve basis. We look forward to hearing from you!

## Beautiful Bishopston/Murton in Bloom



### Bishopston Men's Society

The Men's Society meet at The Glebe Hall on the first and third Wednesday of each month between September and April commencing at 7:30pm. They have a varied programme of talks and social events where the main aims are to learn, enjoy and socialise. Members come from Bishopston and the surrounding district. Visitors and potential new members are always given a warm welcome. In fact, new members are always needed to ensure the Society's future!

If you would like more information, please contact either Ted Howell on 01792 233998 or Colin Griffiths on 01792 232933

### This year's programme is shown below.

20th September Prof. Andrew Baron Fracking: The Good, The Bad and The Ugly

4th October Maureen Clayton Life behind the big wall

18th October Dr Dawn Morgan 3D Printing in Modern Living from Kidney Operations to Aircraft  
1st November Peter Douglas-Jones A Day on a Grouse Moor

15th November Barry Evans The Life and Works of Adelina Patti

6th December Christmas Party

20th December No Meeting

3rd January 2018 No Meeting

17th January Richard Daugherty Bishopston Byways

7th February Tim Jones Police Standards and some Lighter Moments in a Police Career

21st February Phil Treseder The Swansea Blitz

7th March Dr Charles Hipkin Fungi: The Good, The Bad and The Ugly

21st March Cllr. Rob Stewart Delivering the Swansea Deal

4th April No Meeting

18th April Annual General Meeting

### Gower Landscape Partnership

For more information, visit the website, Facebook Page or Twitter Feed.

#### Forthcoming Events

Make a shave horse for green woodwork - 2-day course Gelli Hir Farm Swansea Sat 9 Sep 2017, 10:00AM - Sun 10 Sep 2017, 4:30PM 1 place available **Book now**

Green woodwork - bowl and platter carving Gelli Hir Farm Introduction to Wool Crafts Gower Heritage Centre Swansea Fri 22 Sep 2017, 9:30AM - 3:30PM 4 places available **Book now**

Wool Dyeing - using natural and traditional techniques Gower Heritage Centre Swansea Fri 29 Sep 2017, 9:30AM - 3:30PM 5 places available **Book now**

Charcoal making Gelli Hir Grid Reference SS562924 Tue 3 Oct 2017, 10:00AM - 3:30PM 7 places available **Book now**

An Introduction to Woodland Management and Coppicing - 2-day course Landwell (Meet at the top of the Caswell beach car park) Gower Sat 14 Oct 2017, 10:00AM - Sun 15 Oct 2017, 4:00PM 3 places available **Book now**

Souly Doll making Gower Heritage Centre Swansea Mon 30 Oct 2017, 9:30AM - 3:30PM 7 places available **Book now**

Souly Doll Making Gower Heritage Centre Swansea Sat 4 Nov 2017, 9:30AM - 3:30PM 1 place available **Book now**

2 Day Intro to Welsh Slate Roofing Down to Earth Project (Little Bryn Gwyn site) Swansea Sat 4 Nov 2017, 9:30AM - Sun 5 Nov 2017, 4:30PM 5 places available **Book now**

Cleft Fencing Little Bryn Gwyn nr Llanrhidian, Swansea Tue 7 Nov 2017, 9:30AM - 4:30PM 4 tickets available **Book now**

Green Woodwork - Rake Making Gelli Hir Woods (Wildlife Trust Reserve) Grid Reference SS562924 Sat 11 Nov 2017, 10:00AM - 3:30PM 5 places available **Book now**

An Introduction to Green Woodworking Landwell (Meet at the top of the Caswell beach car park) Gower Wed 13 Dec 2017, 10:00AM - 4:30PM 2 places available **Book now**

Individuals with an interest in serving our community are requested to contact VINCE PRICE, CLERK to the COUNCIL by e-mail: [bishopstoncc@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:bishopstoncc@yahoo.co.uk) OR Telephone: (01792) 449959 Our next news letter is December 2017. If you have any items you would like to be considered for inclusion or if you have a small local business you would like to advertise, Please contact the Clerk.

## City and County of Swansea

It is anticipated that the bus shelter outside No.153 Bishopston Road (Pyle Corner) will have an end panel fitted in September in order to make it a little more comfortable for passengers during spells of windy weather. Unfortunately, there is insufficient space to fit a larger panel.

### **Planning Applications considered by your council between May and July 2017**

2017/0100/FUL - 21 Copley Lodge - addition of first floor to existing bungalow to create 2x storey dwelling, rear balcony and 1x storey rear extension.

2017/0855/TPO - 3 Northlands Park - lop 4x beech and 2x sycamore trees covered by TPO No.68.

2017/1130/FUL - Campion Gardens Retirement Village - replacement windows and front dormer.

2017/1345/FUL - 93 Bishopston Road - part 2x storey, part 1x storey side/rear extension, rear dormer and front canopy.

2017/1393/S73 - Campion Gardens Retirement Village - variation of Condition 1 (2011/1278) for demolition of buildings, 1x storey detached building and front roof extension. Construction of 2 No. 3x storey side extensions to provide 68x care-home bedrooms and associated facilities granted on 4<sup>th</sup>. July 2017, to allow additional 5-year period before start of development.

2017/1424/FUL - 6 South Close - detached garage.

2017/1425/FUL - 83 Bishopston Road - extensions to front and rear dormers.

2017/1530/FUL - 14 Bishopston Road - demolition of part of front boundary wall to for hardstanding to create additional off-road parking.

2017/1570/CAC - 14 Bishopston Road - demolition of part of front boundary wall.

2017/1667/FUL - 1 Woodside Close - 2x storey side and 1x storey rear extensions.

2017/1692/FUL - 2 Brandy Cove Road - side roof extension.

**HEDGES:** This is a gentle reminder from your council requesting that any overhanging growth from your property should be cut back to the boundary in order to protect pedestrians, and particularly children, using an adjacent footway. This year due to the warm and wet weather there have been some reports of individuals caught by brambles growing out of hedges. Your co-operation will be appreciated, thank you.

**DOGS:** Despite the fact that Bishopston has more dog-litter bins than other wards, there seems to have been an increase in the dog faeces around the area. To those few owners who do not 'pick up' after their pets your council would wish you to join the majority who do so. By 'picking up' you will not only be helping the environment but also preventing the mess being stepped on, perhaps by a child or elderly person, with the possibility that it will trodden into a house or school.

### **SCAMS: SOME USEFUL TIPS FROM TRADING STANDARDS VIA NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH**

This information is delivered in the light of the increase in the number of SCAMS circulating at present.

The advice offered suggests the following:

1. **LOTTERIES:** Genuine lotteries will not request a fee to enable winnings to be collected.
2. **COLD CALLERS:** DO NOT DISCLOSE security details, eg. Pin number, to anyone who calls randomly, even if the person claims, for example, to be from your bank.
3. **INSTINCTS:** If something you are told SOUNDS TOO GOOD TO BE TRUE IT PROBABLY IS NOT!!!
4. **TEXTS/E-MAILS:** Do not assume that these are genuine unless you are aware of the source.
5. **TAKE YOUR TIME:** If a person tries to sell you something, do not be rushed into making a decision.
6. **TELEPHONE NUMBERS:** NEVER use a number given by a person who cold calls.

**RECENT SCAM:** Individual claimed to be calling from BT Headquarters about an alleged fault on broadband. Fortunately, the caller was speaking to an ex-BT manager who was aware of the SCAM!

It is unfortunate that every advance in technology brings with it individuals who use it illegally to make money.

### **Update for the campaign to have dual use (cycling and walking with disabled access ) path across Clyne Common**

The campaign to have a dual use (cycling and walking) path across Clyne Common is gathering pace. The online petition at <https://www.change.org/p/city-and-county-of-swanse-a-shared-use-path-for-cycling-and-walking-across-clyne-common> has been extremely successful and has over 1030 signatures, in addition to this 176 signatures were collected at last month's Pennard Carnival, meaning that over 1200 people would like to see a safe means of crossing the common provided as soon as possible.

**The team behind the petition (Gower Access Path) have met our recently elected Gower MP Tonia Antoniazzi, Councillor for Bishopston Lyndon Jones, Wheelrights and community activists, who are all behind the scheme and providing all the support they can.** The team are planning to deliver the petition to the Council and meet the Highways and Planning Departments this month to discuss how a path, suitable for all users can be delivered.

The team are delighted with the level of support they've had from the community and will be looking for ways people in the area can help get the safe means of crossing the Common we all need. Updated written and contributed by Patrick Tribe

## **A REPORT FROM WARD COUNCILLOR LYNDON JONES ON SOME OF THE ISSUES HE HAS BEEN WORKING ON THERE TO HELP:**

So far, dozens of people have already been in touch to ask for help on local issues and I am delighted that I have been able to assist.

In addition, I will be holding a monthly "advice surgery" at the Bishopston Community Centre, Murton Green Road, Murton. SA3 3AT from 6.00pm to 7.00pm, on the following dates: Monday, 25<sup>th</sup> September, Monday, 30<sup>th</sup> October, Monday, 27<sup>th</sup> November & Monday, 18<sup>th</sup> December.

If you would like to get in touch with Lyndon then either call him on 07880 743578 or e-mail him on Lyndon.jones@welshconservatives.com

### **TRAFFIC CHAOS:**

I have received a large number of complaints about the traffic chaos outside the Co-op store in Bishopston Road.

A number of months ago an additional lay-by was put in place to allow delivery vans and customers to park, but no parking restrictions had been put in place for either lay-by!

Following discussions with the Council and the Co-op, it has been agreed that a "loading only" restriction in the new lay-by would be put in place from 7am to 11am for use by delivery vans only, so that they would not have to park on the road.

Outside that time, waiting would be restricted to 30 minutes in both lay-bys and this would remain in place overnight, to remove the possibility of vehicles parking there and not being removed before morning. This will operate 7 days a week and will provide more car parking capacity.

The Traffic Regulation Order is now being processed and should be operational before the end of September. In addition, the Co-op has now introduced a policy that "more than two is a queue" at the checkouts, to speed up the time customers spend at the tills.

I hope these measures will help ease the traffic chaos!

### **ROAD MARKINGS:**

Road markings in Manselfield Road are to be re-painted in the next two weeks, following concerns raised by local residents.

This is a road safety issue and had to be acted on as a matter of urgency.

In addition, I am looking at the possibility of putting signs up to prevent HGV lorries using this route as a short cut.

### **FOOTPATH REPAIRS:**

A new soakaway has just been completed on Footpath 8, which runs from Eastlands Park along the back of the playing fields, which will hopefully prevent flooding there and the hedge is going to be cut back shortly. If there are further problems there, let me know.

In addition the landowner has agreed to replace the 2 stiles with gates on footpath 17, which runs from Bishopston Road, along the top of Valley. I hope that this work will be completed in the next few weeks.

### **MEETING WITH THE POLICE:**

I had a very useful meeting at the Guildhall with PC Phillip Davies and Inspector Matt Codd of South Wales Police, to discuss local issues in Bishopston.

**Speeding:** This is a particular issue in Northway, Bishopston Road and Manselfield Road and they agreed to deploy a camera van, which would act as a deterrent.

**Community Speed Watch:** We discussed setting up a Community Speed Watch, where members of the public, when fully trained by the police, would be able to operate speed cameras. I will let you have further details in due course, but if anyone would like help with this, please let me know.

**Bishopswood:** I received a number of complaints from local residents about late night parties and loud music taking place at Bishopswood, above Caswell Bay. I asked the police to monitor this and am pleased to say that they have already made an arrest on drug related offences there.

### **CLYNE COMMON - Pathway for walkers and cyclists from Murton to Mayals**

I believe that this would be a great community asset and has my full support, because at present both walkers and cyclists have to walk on the busy road, which can be particularly dangerous.

A scheme that included this project was turned down a few years ago by the Welsh Assembly Government, so it is important we look at different ways to make this happen.

I have the full support of Cllr Linda Tyler Lloyd, who represents the Mayals Ward, which is on the other side of the proposed pathway and both Linda and I have met with Officers at the City & County of Swansea Council to discuss options and with Suzy Davies AM, when we put together an action plan, which we are now working through.

I have also met up with the local people who had organised an on-line petition to discuss things that we could do together.

**The Welsh Society** are celebrating their 40th year. We started in 1977 and are still going very strong, never the less new members are most welcome. We meet in the 3rd Monday of each month from 7.00pm to 9.00pm starting on 16th October 2017 ( ring 233706 for futher information.)