Aberffraw Village Hall Events – November/December 2020



Yoga Tuesdays 7.00-8.15pm. Sign up via Claire Mace at http://www.inspiratrix.co.uk Fitness Classes Wednesdays 10.30-11.30am. Contact Nia Roberts (07727 245 807), or Lexva on Facebook CPD Aberffraw Training Wednesdays 8-9pm.

Regular Events Normally Held in the Village Hall

Dog Training Contact Sabina at contact.k9connections@gmail.com Welsh Language Lessons

During the rest of 2020 classes are online.

Other Aberffraw Village Activities Local Radio

Tune into MônFM on 102.5 FM for music & local news. Especially Sunday 9.00am and Thursday 10-1 with Mike Wilson.

Old School Gallery

Events cancelled for 2020, Friday Worksop running.

St Beuno's Church

See Church noticeboard.

Football 2020/2021 CPD Aberffraw Fixtures

Matches - see Facebook page.

Y Goron / The Crown

Temporarily closed – re-opening in December 2020.

Llys Llewelyn Cegin Bar / Bar Kitchen

Open and also does pre-ordered takeouts.

Contacts: Get in touch, keep updated, download documents, ...

• Facebook:- Aberffraw Village Hall

facebook.

- Web:- http://www.aberffraw.wales + links to all Aberffraw Facebook sites
- Email:- hall@aberffraw.wales
- Telephone:- 07419 201050 for Hall enquiries



PENTREF ABERFFRAW VILLAGE



Cylchlythyr Neuadd y Pentref

Village Hall Newsletter

Mater 4.6 Tachwedd/Rhagfyr 2020 / Issue 4.6 November/December 2020

Yn dod â'r holl newyddion i chi am Neuadd a digwyddiadau *EICH* Pentref Bringing you all the news about *YOUR* Village Hall & events

Following the Welsh Covid 'Firebreak Lockdown' the Village Hall has re-opened for organised activities.

We are now allowed to open for restricted organised events only, with limited numbers and adhering to covid safety.

*Health Protection Regulation s (Wales) 09.11.20

Unfortunately – we will miss out on the autumn/winter Craft Fair and Children's Christmas Party this year.

However, we have restarted the **Yog**a, and **Fitness 'Fit for Life'** classes this month, and the local football club **CPD Aberffraw** are now running some of their training sessions in the hall. In addition, the final bulbs around the hall from the Keep Wales Tidy grant have been planted.

Anyone interested in joining an additional, more heavy duty, fitness training class please contact Nia (see page 4). Also ideas for new events for 2021 are welcome.

We are also looking for some volunteers to re-decorate/paint the kitchen area during its closed period.

Lastly, on a <u>less satisfactory note</u> – communications with **Aberffraw Community Council** have deteriorated again ... and we update you on pages 2 and 3.

Mike Mahow - Chair, Village Hall Management Committee

Communications with Aberffraw Community Council

Finally, after awaiting 14 months for publication of the CC minutes of meetings to find out what has arisen, (including several requests from us for assistance in tracing a boiler fuel grant, street lighting, yellow lines for mobility scooters, insurance, and ideas for funding the public toilet) our Village Hall Committee was astonished to find CC minutes with inaccuracies, omissions, untruths and non-answers.

We have written to the CC on 4 occasions recently, attempted twice to have a joint meeting and as long ago as last autumn tried to fruitfully attend their meetings. We have also attended a Zoom meeting concerning questions to the Village Hall Committee but were refused access to the appropriate minutes. In particular we are concerned with irregularities in their accounts, election procedures, and inaccurate and full reporting of meetings.

Having witnessed continued negativity, obstruction, secrecy, and lack of replies (akin to dealing with a 'Black Hole' where matter enters but does not exit!) we have resorted to contacting other parties and resulted in sending the letter shown opposite with the hope of some positivity and a way around this impasse. (Any positive reader suggestions are very welcome.)

Overall, our aim is for a more fruitful interaction which will enable our committee to keep functioning and for us to keep the Village Hall open for local users and events.

PS: With the help of two local County Councillors and a chance meeting with Council workmen in the street last week by one of our committee, the issues of street lighting and yellow lines have now been solved.

Current Village Hall Management Committee Members

Mike Mahon (Chair), Terry Graham (Vice-Chair), Elaine Todd (Secretary), Gillian Mahon (Ex Treasurer), Hilary Williams, Glenys Stallwood, Ann Owen, Sue Goodgroves. Minutes & letters on website: <u>http://www.aberffraw.wales</u> see Committee page.

Current Community Council Members

John Owens (Chair), Keith Woods (Vice-Chair), Chris Topps, William Hughes, Arfon Jones. M Smithurst, Elwyn Evans, Barry Owen, Avril Hughes, Richard Owen Clerk: Suzanne Gill Minutes etc on website: <u>https://cyngorcymunedaberffraw.co.uk/</u> To:Clerk and Aberffraw Community Council and other interested partiesFrom:Aberffraw Village Hall Management CommitteeDate:11/11/2020



Dear Chair, Aberffraw Community Council,

Thank you for ignoring our comments, not replying to our letters, and twice not having an agreed joint meeting. We are particularly dumbfounded that none of your 10 committee members were available for today's meeting. Are you sure that they have all been informed of the previous 3 recent letters and emails we have sent?

Meanwhile, in the absence of engagement by the CC, to move forward, we are currently continuing our discussions both verbally and in writing concerning your accounting irregularities, defamatory comments, omissions, erroneous minutes, elections, lack of transparency, and other matters with:-

- 1. Your Internal Auditor
- 2. Your External Auditors (BDO)
- 3. Anglesey County Council
- 4. Councillors
- 5. Aberffraw Villagers

We will in due course inform the local community of the history, details and outcomes in our door to door newsletter *'The Grapevine'* and online and provide a report to the Ombudsman.

We are really sorry to again note your committee's negativity in all these matters over the past year, and more so recently, especially when we could all have so easily worked together for the benefit of the community. If you ever do come up with some positive actions or have any dates when your members will attend an arranged joint meeting then please let us know. We must not let all this end up with disagreement resulting in the closure of the Village Hall to the detriment of local people.

Aberffraw Village Hall Management Committee

ID: Letter Number 4 to Community Council of Autumn 2020