

Times of Worship

St Silin's, Llansilin

1st Sunday	Holy Communion	10.30 am
2nd "	Matins	9.00 am
3rd "	Family Service	10.30am
4th "	Holy Communion (said)	9.00 am
	Evensong	6.30 pm
5th "	Holy Communion	10.30 am

St Cedwyn's, Llangedwyn

1st Sunday	Evensong	6.30 pm
2nd "	Holy Communion	10.30am
3rd "	Holy Communion (said)	9.00 am
4th "	Family Service	10.30 am
5th "	Holy Communion (said)	9.00 am

Please contact the churchwardens to arrange home communion, visiting or special services

Gofalaeth Bro Llansilin a'r Cylch

Medi

4	Parch Stanton Evans	Llansilin	Pererindod (i'w drefnu)
11	Mr Alun Jones	Cefncanol	10.00 am
18	Parch Graham Floyd	Rhiwlas	6.30 pm
25	Parch Raymond Hughes	Llansilin	2.00 pm

Hyd

2	Parch Stanton Evans (C)	Cefncanol	6.30 pm	Diolchgarwch yr Ifanc
9	Mr John Rosser	Rhiwlas	2.00 pm	
16	Parch Rhys ab Ogwen Jones	Llansilin	2.00 pm	
23	Parch Ddr Nerys Tudor	Cefncanol	2.00 pm	
30	Mr Thomas Morris	Rhiwlas	2.00 pm	

Tach

6	Parch Ddr Elfed ap Nefydd Roberts	Llansilin	2.00 pm
13	Parch Robert W Jones	Cefncanol	2.00 pm
20	Parch Stanton Evans (C)	Rhiwlas	6.30 pm
27	Parch Robert Parry	Llansilin	2.00 pm

* *Pregethwr o Seion, Croesowallt* (C) *Cymun*

Llansilin Newsletter

Church, Chapel and Village News



Clifford Milner

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Dear Friends

It is a pleasure to once more write an introduction to the Llansilin Newsletter. We are looking forward to the Llansilin Show as it takes place as usual at the weekend of August Bank Holiday. I hope the weather is right for us; we need an uplift just now in all these times of austerity. Mind you, having been born during World War 2 and growing up during the days of rationing of the very basics needed to support life, I wonder what the fuss is about. But I suppose it's all relative, isn't it? Perhaps the best approach is to accept and be grateful for all the good things that make for neighbourliness and love for one another, simple things that don't cost very much and have a great deal to do with courtesy, a little thank you here, a little appreciation there.

I'm keen to put on record my appreciation for all the kindness shown as Kath and I move into another year with you. I'm beginning to put names to faces now. There is a special event taking place at the August Bank Holiday weekend, our 'How Green is our Valley' event with many attractions to whet the appetite. It seems strange to me in an ironic way as I spent nine years in the South Wales valleys and remember the book 'How Green was my Valley', written about that area. It was really a political statement about how the former beauty of it all had been all but destroyed by the slagheaps and furnaces and the smoke and coal dust, etc. Now the valleys are greening up again and thank God for that. But here we can really say thank God for the beauty of it all. Who would want to live anywhere else? What a privilege!

We had a wonderful concert in June when we shared in our own mini international eisteddfod and hosted a choir from Bavaria who sang for us as a capella singers with songs from all across the world; even Hawaii - you could see the grass skirts swaying. Many thanks to all who made this such a memorable occasion.

Have you noticed something different about the church tower? Perched on top, also swaying gently in the breeze and glistening, gleaming and glinting in the sun is a brand new, shiny, gilded weathercock, a gracious gift donated by Graham Kyle to commemorate his marriage to Mary last

Mobile Library: every other Monday at Llansilin Church at 1.30 to 2.30 pm, then Maes-y-Llan car park 2.30 to 3.30 pm. ☎ 01938 553001

Mothers Union meets in the Parish Room every third Thursday at 2.15 pm. Contact Glenice Jones ☎ 791 296

Over 60's Club meets alternate Tuesdays at 2.30 pm in the Institute. Contact Sarah James ☎ 791 346

PALS (Players At Llansilin Drama Group). Contact Alison Beeston ☎ 791 262

Parochial Church Council Meeting: meets regularly each month at 7 pm in the Parish Room

Playgroup in the Institute: Wednesday and Friday free education for over 3's 8.45 am to 11.45 am (over 2½ welcome for £3 a session). Ti a fi Wednesday 9.30 am to 11.30 am (£2.50).

Police (Wales)	0845 330 2000 for non-emergency calls (messages left will be picked up and dealt with quickly)
Police (West Mercia)	08457 444 888
All areas in UK	999 for life-threatening emergencies

Post Office at Capel Wesle	Tuesday	8.30 am to 2.30 pm
	Thursdays	8.30 am to 12.30 pm

Rhiwlas Community Centre: contact Gwennan Thomas ☎ 07701335828

Rural Car Service for visiting the doctor, dentist, chiropodist, etc. Contact Christine Williams ☎ 791 563 between 8 and 9 am and 6 and 7 pm unless an emergency

Table Tennis every Tuesday from September to April 7.30 pm in the Memorial Hall. Contact Pat Lovell ☎ 791 235

Village Drop-in Coffee Mornings in the Parish Room 10.30 am - 12 pm alternate Tuesdays. Contact Joan Fox-Linton ☎ 791 260

Whist drive every second Wednesday from September to May, 7.30 pm in the Memorial Hall. Contact Emyr Evans ☎ 791 240

Women's Institute: every second Friday in the month at 7 pm in the Institute. Contact Tanya Jones ☎ 07527366538 or Rosemary Edwards ☎ 791 413

YFC: contact Richard Evans ☎ 600 228

Youth Club meets Thursdays 7 - 9 pm in the Hall. Contact Wendy Jones ☎ 791 444

Thank you to everyone who helps to keep this list up-to-date. Please carry on checking.



Village Activities

and other useful bits of information



Bell Ringing practice on Wednesdays at 7.30 pm (6 bells, 5-3-0):

Bowls Club 8.00 pm in the Memorial Hall on Mondays. Ray Denye ☎ 791 434

Bus service no.78 Wednesdays and Fridays Oswestry Bus Station (stand 3) 10 am; Llansilin (Maes y Llan) 10.20 am; Oswestry Bus Station 10.42 am. Oswestry 1 pm; Llansilin 1.22; Oswestry 1.43 pm. Tanat Valley ☎ 780 212

Churchyard grass cutting: April to October every Thursday at 6 pm

Community Council meets every second Tuesday on alternate months 7.30 pm in the Memorial Hall. Contact Harry Hughes ☎ 657 972

Community Shop at Capel Wesle	Tuesday	9.00 am to 2.30 pm
	Wednesday	3.30 pm to 5.00 pm
	Thursday	9.00 am to 12.30 pm

C.R.A.F.T. Group Monday mornings 10 am - 12 noon. Alison Beeston ☎ 791 262

Cymdeithas Ddwylliadol Llansilin (Welsh Cultural and Literary Society) Mondays 7 - 9 pm September to April in the Memorial Hall. Contact Sarah James ☎ 791 346

Drawing and Painting for all Tuesdays 10 am - 12 noon Rhiwlas Community Centre

Farmers Crisis Network: www.fcn.org.uk ☎ 0845 367 9990

Karate for ages 6 and above in the Memorial Hall on Wednesdays from 5.45 pm. Contact Sue Rose-Martin ☎ 828 624

Llanfyllin Group Practice Patient Participation Group Comments and questions regarding any aspect of medical care and practice to Huw Edwards ☎ 791 264

Llansilin Mixed Choir weekly practice in the Memorial Hall. Henry Evans ☎ 791 410

Local History Society: contact Chris Burton ☎ 791 274

Meals on Wheels: contact Carol Foulkes ☎ 791 326

Memorial Hall and The Institute: contact Arthur James ☎ 791 346

year. We would like to say thank you to Gill and Eric Avery who generously provided the one it replaced, well made but which sadly fell apart, falling victim to the ravages of mid Wales winters. Christine Williams gave us some lovely thoughts about the Christian significance of weathercocks, associated with the cockcrow at the time of Peter's denial of Jesus and I would like to thank her and, if she doesn't mind, add something of my own. The weathercock stands there proudly with both head and tail up, catching the wind and giving us its direction through the cardinal points on which he rests and that makes me think. I was reading in today's morning office of St Paul's departure from Miletus, recorded in Acts, and how the ship set sail. It's important for sailing ships to know the wind direction. Perhaps if we think of church in this way our new weathercock can remind us of the importance of listening for the 'wind of the Spirit', the still small voice within, so that together we may find and follow God's will for us and travel together as one in the direction in which He wants us to go

My love to you all

Tony Dilworth



Here is the new weathercock in all its glory with Chris Burton, who installed it on the old pole and direction arms. Chris was helped by Stan Jankowski, the craftsman who made it and took the photograph. More on the next page.

What a magnificent view it is from up there!

A NEW WEATHERCOCK FOR THE TOWER

No doubt many of you will have noticed the absence of the weathercock from the church tower. Crafted by Gill and Eric Avery, he had stood proudly on top of the tower for many years, bravely turning to face the wind so often and suffering from the ravages of time and the rains. As the Vicar said in his foreword, a splendid new weathercock has been donated by Graham Kyle to celebrate his marriage to Mary. This was made by local craftsman, Stan Jankowski who lives near Lake Vyrnwy and whose workshop is in Llanerfyl. The bird is hollow and made of copper with a new 2010 coin and an inscription inside. It is covered in two layers of gold leaf to protect it and to keep it shining. Stan volunteered to help Chris Burton to install it and took the spectacular photograph on the previous page.

So, once more, we can look up to check the direction of the wind and at the same time to admire our new weathercock, thanks to Graham, Chris, Stan and everyone involved.



The weathercock was blessed at a special Family Service on 17th July. Here, it is being unveiled by Daniel Ashford (Tynyllyn, Moelfre), on the right and by Ellen Evans (Sunnymead, Rhiwlas) on the left, with help from Christine Williams and Esther Milner.

Gweinidog
Parch Stanton T Evans
20 Croeswylan Lane, Croesoswallt 654 682

Gofalaeth Bro Llansilin A'r Cylch
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Trys Carys Evans 791 240

Vicar
Revd Anthony Dilworth 791 209
Y Ficerdy, Llansilin

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791 274

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Ringling Practice
Wednesdays at 7.30 pm

Rhiwlas Mission Church
Contact Marjorie Evans
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GWEINIDOGAETH BRO

	Readers	Sidesmen
20	Family Service	
27	Margaret Lloyd	Deborah Hill-Trevor
December		
4	Mary Cunnah	David Bickerton
11	Vera Evans	Esther Milner
18	Family Service	
24	Christine Williams	Dan Jones

ST SILIN'S CHURCH AND PARISH ROOM FLOWERS AND CLEANING ROTA



October	
1 & 8	Lynnette Moss & Mary Cunnah
15 & 22	Dot Renshaw & Mary Morris
29	Christine Williams
November	
5 & 12	Deborah Hill-Trevor & Alma Jones
19 & 26	Marjorie Evans & Megan Evans
December	
3 & 10	Glenice Jones & Mary Cunnah
17 & 24	Valerie Burton & Christine Williams

THANK YOU to the over 60's Club for funding this edition of the newsletter. We are all very grateful.

Mae'r haf yn bruser ddod i ben, a'r Eisteddfod Wrecsam wedi symud ei phac. Fuo ch yno?, ond doedd hi'n eisteddfod dda.

Cawsom gyfarfodydd bendithiol iawn ac un dan law y dynion ym Mis Gorffennaf.

Braf yw gweld bod Mrs Rhiannon Lewis yn ddigon cryf i fynychi'r oedfaon unwaith eto. Dal i ddisgwyl am driniaeth yn Stoke mae Mrs Llinos Evans, hyderwn y caiff y driniaeth yn fuan.

Edrychwn ymlaen at ein pererindod blynyddol ym Mis Medi, byddwn yn ymweld a'r Bala eleni, .

The Summer is marching on and the Eisteddfod at Wrexham has long moved to its next location. Did you visit the Eisteddfod? Wasn't it a good event?

We had some beneficent services with one in July being led by the men. We are pleased that Mrs Rhiannon Lewis is strong enough to attend the services once again. Mrs Llinos Evans is still waiting for her treatment at the hospital at Stoke, and we hope that she will receive this treatment sooner rather than later.

We all look forward to our annual pilgrimage in September, we will be visiting Bala this year.

Welsh Learners – Powys Eisteddfod Successes

Congratulations to Andrew Hollway, Pentre Barn, on coming first in the written competition and to Richard Menmuir, Cae Canol Cottage, on coming third in the same competition.

Also to Sue Tansley, Croeswylan, Croesoswallt, on coming second in reading a set piece on stage. Well done to all. Llongyfarchiadau a da iawn.

Did you know? ... The special chair for the Bardic ceremony at the 1933 Wrexham Eisteddfod was commissioned by the Shanghai Welsh Society! It took Chinese craftsmen 16 months to make and is covered with ornate carvings of Chinese symbols and mythical creatures. The chair is in the care of the National Museum of Welsh Life in Cardiff.

**DON'T MISS THE LLANSILIN SHOW AND TRIALS
BANK HOLIDAY WEEKEND - THE HIGHLIGHT OF
THE VILLAGE YEAR!**

**Where else can you get a whole day out for £2 and 50p
for children?**

With lots to see and people to meet

- Watch the inspiring co-operation between sheepdog and handler
- Admire the produce in the village hall
- Bring your pet dog to the companion dog show
- Watch the horses demonstrate their paces and cheer on the mounted fancy dress competition
- Bring the children to the sports
- Try your hand at stick making
- See the programme for all the other activities, venues and timetable

Enter the competitions - you don't have to win, but it's more interesting if you've tried something.

All in all, a jolly good day out for everyone of all ages!!

LLANSILIN CELEBRATES GREEN

We invite everyone to the launch of the 'Llansilin Celebrates Green Weekend' on Thursday evening and extend a warm welcome to come and preview the displays and exhibitions. The Church will be open daily from Friday to Tuesday and the Sunday morning service will be a celebration of our theme 'How Green is Our Valley' with special guest preacher, our very own retired Vicar, Revd Kit Carter. We look forward to welcoming visitors over the weekend with something to interest everyone: church trails, various stalls which include some new souvenirs, china mugs and a new church guide and much more. As always, we are very grateful for your support.

CALENDAR

August

- 25-30 'How Green is our Valley' in St Silin's (see page 7)
- 27 Local Sheepdog Trials and Family Barbecue
- 29 Open Sheepdog Trials and Villager Show

September

- 11 After Offa Project: Llansilin StoryWalk 2 pm village car park or 1.50 pm Wynnstay Inn
- 18 Harvest Festival and St Silin's Day celebrations followed by bring and share lunch (details will be on posters soon)
- 24 Annual Concert, 7.30 pm in the Hall

November

- 12 National Theatre Wales 7.30 pm in the Hall: performing "The Village Social"
- 13 Remembrance Day service at Llangedwyn

Looking ahead to December

- 2 Annual Plygain at St Silin's

**Details of regular church and chapel services are on page 20
Details of regular village activities are on pages 18 and 19**

ROTA FOR READERS AND SIDESMEN AT ST SILIN'S

	Readers	Sidesmen
October		
2	Mary Cunnah	Mary Morris
9	Christine Williams	Esther Milner
16	Family Service	
23	Jeffrey Olstead	Vera Evans
30	Deborah Hill-Trevor	Dan Jones
November		
6	Chris Burton	Valerie Burton
13	Esther Milner	Christine Williams

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Now that I'm "older" here's what I've discovered:

Growing old is mandatory; growing up is optional.
I started out with nothing and I still have most of it.
My wild oats have turned into All Bran and prunes.
Time may be a great healer but it's a lousy beautician.
Funny, I don't remember being absent minded.
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Forget the healthy foods; I need all the preservatives I can get.
If all is not lost, where is it?
It's frustrating when you know all the answers but nobody bothers to ask you the questions.
It's hard to make a comeback when you haven't been anywhere.
If God had wanted me to touch my toes, he would have put them on my knees.
These days I spend a lot of time thinking about the hereafter ... I go somewhere to get something and then wonder what I'm here after.
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There was an Irish painter called Smokey O'Toole who was very interested in making a bob or two where he could, so he often thinned down his paint to make it go a bit further. As it happened, he got away with it for some time but eventually the Baptist Church decided to do a restoration job on the outside of one of their biggest buildings. Smokey put in a bid and, because his price was the lowest, he got the job. He set about erecting the scaffolding, buying the paint and, yes, I am sorry to say, thinning it down with turpentine.

Well, Smokey was up on the scaffolding painting away, the job nearly completed, when suddenly there was a tremendous clap of thunder and the rain poured down, knocking Smokey clear off the scaffold, to land on the lawn among the gravestones, surrounded by telltale puddles of the thinned and useless paint. Smokey was no fool. He knew that this was a judgement from the Almighty so he got down on his knees and cried, "Oh, God, forgive me. What should I do to make amends?" And from the thunder, a mighty voice spoke:

"Repaint! Repaint! And thin no more!"

LLANSILIN CELEBRATES GREEN

VILLAGE CHURCH

Programme of Events

Saturday, 20 August from 2.30 pm
Meet in church to begin preparations - all welcome

Monday to Thursday, 22 to 25 August from 9 am
(close on Thursday at 4 pm)
Church open to prepare and mount displays

Thursday 25 August
Evening Launch from 7 pm to 9 pm
with punch and savouries
Preview of Displays and Exhibitions

Friday 26 and Saturday 27 August
Church open 10 am to 4 pm

Sunday 28 August 10.30 am
Celebration Service - Guest Preacher Rev'd Kit Carter
Coffee will be served after the service
Church open to 4 pm

Bank Holiday Monday, 29 August - Show Day
Church open 10 am to 6 pm

Tuesday 30 August
Church open 10 am to 4 pm

Refreshments will be available each day

Displays can be dismantled and removed after 4 pm on 30 August
The church to be put back to normal by 4 pm on 1 September

BAVARIAN CHOIR CONCERT



If you didn't come to the concert one weekend in June - you missed a treat! The village echoed to the voices of a choir from the Bavarian region of Germany. They all came to the church to give a truly splendid concert of unaccompanied singing in a most unusual, varied international repertoire – they even included some yodelling! There is a promise that they would like to come again.

VILLAGE SCRAP BOOK

Volunteer/s needed to help sort an interesting collection of newspaper cuttings and glue into a scrap book. Ideal for those dark winter days. For details ring Val Burton on 791274. You can do it in the Parish Room or in your own home and there is no deadline.



NEWS FROM THE BELFRY

A visiting band of ringers from Cornwall is coming over to this area on a ringing tour in the first week of September. They call themselves "Klegh Lowen", which is Cornish for "Joyful Bells".

Cornish is, of course, a Celtic language with roots similar to Welsh. Breton is another one closely allied. The harp player, Harriet Earis, included some folk music from Brittany at a church concert some time ago. She was able to introduce the pieces in Breton. So, this year we shall hear a little Cornish from the bell ringers! There is a fascinating website www.omniglot.com, which gives you links to commonly used words in many languages, so comparisons can be made.

AFON FECHAIN

In the last issue of the newsletter there was reference to an old 1930s photograph of a delivery van outside the house opposite the Wynnstay Inn. The photograph was too dark to reproduce for the newsletter. However, some details have been traced – the property at that time was a grocery shop belonging to an uncle of Henry Evans. He was Elwyn Morris and he used to deliver groceries to the surrounding area. He later moved to Shropshire and was a bell ringer. His descendants still come to the village and have rung the bells at St Silin's.

NEWSLETTER ARTICLES AND PHOTOGRAPHS

Your editor is very grateful to the faithful contributors to the newsletter – and long may your articles keep rolling in please! It would also be very good to have other contributions from time to time. Articles need not only be on events but on any matters of interest to the readership. We have had reports on most of the regular clubs and activities over the years, but there is no reason why we shouldn't start again. Could I also make a plea for photographs. Even though they can only be photocopied in black and white, they do add considerably to the articles.



in Llansilin 2011

NEWS FROM YSGOL BRO CYNLLAITH



Readers may remember from the last magazine the great surge of spiritual and physical effort put into raising monies this year. All of that effort led to £561.62 being forwarded to Christian Aid. Although not quite as good as some earlier years it is a very creditable outcome. Thanks to everyone who gave, sold, bought and walked.

Curiously, the number of tax payers in Llansilin may have fallen quite dramatically. Only three donations were gift aided. Using gift aid is simple. Pop your gift however made – chapel or church collection, door to door collection or donation – into the Christian Aid envelope. If you pay income tax complete the slip saying you want your gift to be aided. Tax you have paid will then be added to supplement your gift.

Nothing in this arrangement makes any of your personal financial details known locally. The slips are posted off to a central office where all aided gifts are processed.

In this day and age we all have to think how we can make our money work harder and go further. Using gift aid does exactly that. It really can't be true that among all the contributors to whom so many thanks are owed that there are only three tax payers.

Gift Aid is one aspect in which we might do better next year. Any other ideas and offers of practical help will be welcome. Thank you all again for this year's work and achievement.

WELCOME TO THE NEW AREA DEAN

The churches in the Llanfyllin Deanery have been waiting since May following the move to St Asaph Cathedral of our Area Dean, Rev'd Michael Balkwill so invitations to gather at Llansanffraid Church on 17th July were eagerly accepted. The Archdeacon of Montgomery, Rev'd John Thelwell, led the service, which installed Rev'd Pam Powell to the post. Afterwards tea and cakes were served in the Vicarage.

★We have, as usual, had a very busy Summer Term in school. At the start of term we welcomed Georgina Brown and Theo Wilks into our Nursery Class.

★Our school football teams have done fantastically well in local tournaments, with our boys team winning the Pennant fun day and the girls team coming second. Our lads also managed second place in the Llangedwyn tournament.

★Shelley Wilde has been into school to design our new garden which we hope to start in September, using money that we raise from our termly Farmers Markets. Thanks to Shelley for a fantastic job!

★The end of year trip this year was to Chester Zoo and a good day was had by all, with the children, as always, being very well behaved.

★The school will be starting a Breakfast Club in September and we also hope to have an After-School Club up and running soon afterwards. If anyone would be interested in helping to run either of these, then please contact the school (01691 791365) as soon as we return from the summer break at the beginning of September.

★We held an emotional "Leavers Service" in church to say goodbye to our two year six girls, Hannah and Jessica Morris, and we wish them both well as they begin a new chapter in Llanfyllin High School.

CELEBRATING ST DOGFAN'S DAY on 24th July

On this special day for Llanrhaeadr-ym-Mochnant there was a good attendance when the Bishop of St Asaph, Gregory Cameron, officiated at an All Age Bilingual Eucharist Service.

LLANSILIN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

The July meeting was presided over by Cllr Mrs M Evans, assisted by the clerk, Mr H Hughes, whose resignation to take effect on 31 March 2012 was received with regret. Arrangements were made to advertise the post. Mrs Wendy Jones, Youth Club leader, was welcomed to the meeting and discussed with members future funding and the appointment of an assistant leader, following the retirement of Mrs Elena Jones. Members agreed to fund the honorarium until December, when further consultation will take place. Members also urged that professional advice be sought regarding the appointment of assistant leader. Following a complaint regarding the quality of meals on wheels, this had been investigated and not upheld. The following planning applications were supported: listed building consent for barn conversion at Lledrode and also listed building consent for reinstatement of part of chimney stack at Lloran Ucha.

The financial statement for 2010/2011 was presented and approved and part 1 of the Annual Return was signed by the Chairman and Clerk. Cllr P Lovell was invited to represent the Council at the reopening of the Gorsedd of the Powys Eisteddford on 16 July. Correspondence received included One Voice Wales, Menter Iaith Maldwyn, school modernisation programme, changes to the Llanfyllin and District health practice, report on public services, Powys CC rural development plan 2007/13, draft annual return of the Mid and West Wales fire and rescue authority.

Celebrating Harvest and St Silin's Day Together

On Sunday, 18 September there will be a joint service to celebrate Harvest Festival and St Silin's Day. This will be followed by a bring and share lunch. Watch out for posters with details nearer to the date.

THANK YOU to Mervyn Williams who is nobly painting the hearse house frontage – it's beginning to look very smart. Has anyone any old photographs of the horse drawn hearse which used to be stored inside? In the church we have the splendid old bier which used to carry the coffin when it was pulled by hand – there are a few tales of it running away out of control down the village!



NEWS UPDATE

The Llanfyllin Community Shop committee would like to thank all those who participated in the May Bank Holiday sponsored walk. The event raised £486.25 and the committee members are very grateful to all concerned and will put the money to good use.

The committee is delighted that the improvement to facilities is almost completed. Photos of the work carried out are on display in the shop for people to view. Please call in to see what we have done.

During a recent visit from the Powys Environmental Health Organisation, the shop was audited to ensure that we comply with all necessary regulations. We are happy to report that there were no major issues and that the shop scored 4 out of a possible 5.



Additional volunteers are needed in the shop. If you have any spare time and would like to join our team, please let us know.

Open for Business:

Tuesday 9 am to 2.30 pm
Wednesday 3.30 pm to 5.30 pm
Thursday, 9 am to 12.30 pm