

# Cyngor Tref Llanfair Caereinion

## Llanfair Caereinion Town Council

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### PRESS RELEASE

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Things that the Community would be interested in:

#### **Introduction**

Cllr Wyn Williams Chair of the Council said 'this is an exciting time for the Council and Llanfair as much is now moving forward. Some of the projects are well under way with the Wales Keep Tidy scheme and the Town Trail. With so much planned we hope that the Town will see a change over the next 12 months to make it a great place to live.'

#### **Tidy Town and Town Trail**

Works to create a Town Trail are progressing well with some information boards already in place. Alongside this the Town is having a spruce up. The finger signposts, railings, bollards, notice boards and benches have almost all been repainted and refurbished along with town clean ups.

#### **Polinator Garden**

Keep Wales Tidy provided a Polinator Garden to help wildlife. It has been installed in Erw Ddwr in Watergate Street in the garden of remembrance. The works to install the garden were completed in partnership between the Town Council and the High School. The garden will be maintained so that the plants will aid pollination and the environment.



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### **Lighting St Mary's Church**

The church lighting is currently provided by sodium lights which are expensive to run and are coming to end of their life. The Council is taking forward a scheme of LED lighting which will reduce the running cost by approx 80%.

The lights will be 32 colour which will allow the church lighting to look the same as now on most days but will also allow the church to be lit in colour for events. For example the British Legion Poppy Appeal could be in red or on St David's day white, green and red. The aim is to have this work completed during October 2021.

### **Free WiFi in the Town**

The Council has met with Powys County Council to investigate a Smart Towns initiative. This will provide at no cost a WiFi system throughout the Town from the Railway Station to Deri Woods and part way up Mount Road and Watergate Street. The system will give free WiFi to all who visit the Town including local residents. More news soon.

### **Tree works at St Mary's Churchyard**

Works along the High Street in St Mary's churchyard have taken place to coppice the trees to keep them healthy, clear the lines entwined with them and prepare them for the Christmas Lights event in December.

### **Youth Council**

The Llanfair Caereinion Youth Council is born and will meet every quarter to consider subjects of interest and ideas to be put to the Council for consideration. This will give a good voice to the young people and hopefully help gain better facilities for them.

### **Defibrillator Plan**

A plan to provide defibrillators in the Town is being taken forward. There will be such units at the new school and new doctor's surgery in time. There is a Town Council unit going into the telephone box at Watergate Street with other locations identified in Market Square and Mount Field.

### **Town Plan**

The Town Plan consultation is drawing to a close at the end of September. The plan has an action list which comprises those things the Council wishes to achieve in the life of the plan including target dates for completion. The High School took part in the Town Plan consultation earlier in September. The Youth Council will provide their own plan to add to the Town Plan. A full report on the consultation and final plan will be presented to Council in November.

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### **Community Awards**

The Council has introduced a Community Awards scheme with nominations from the public sought by 15<sup>th</sup> October 2021. The Council is seeking to recognise those in the Community that have done something special on a voluntary basis. It could be a person, organisation or group who is nominated. The good works must have been completed in the Llanfair Caereinion Town Council area although the person or group doing such works do not have to live here. Those nominations which are successful will be presented at the Christmas Lights Event. Full details are posted on the Council Website at [www.llanfairtowncouncil.co.uk](http://www.llanfairtowncouncil.co.uk)

### **Deri Woods and Goat Field**

The Friends of Deri Woods are working with the Town Council to maintain the woods and amenity space. In the last few months there have been new benches and seating along with repairs to path railings, bridges and the stabilising of trees. There are more new benches and seating arriving in the next two weeks.

### **Newsletter**

The first Council Newsletter containing news from the community as well as from the Council will be available online at [www.llanfairtowncouncil.co.uk](http://www.llanfairtowncouncil.co.uk) and in paper form from the Library, Town Council Offices, Steam Railway and other outlets in the Town. The first issue will be in October and then by-monthly. Anyone wishing to put forward an article for inclusion in the next issue should contact either Cllr Ursula Griffiths on [ursulagriffiths1953@gmail.com](mailto:ursulagriffiths1953@gmail.com) or Robert Robinson Town Clerk on [Llanfairtownclerk@mail.com](mailto:Llanfairtownclerk@mail.com) / 07767 267830.

If you need more information on any of the above please do call us.

More news later in October.

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