



# PENNARD LIFE

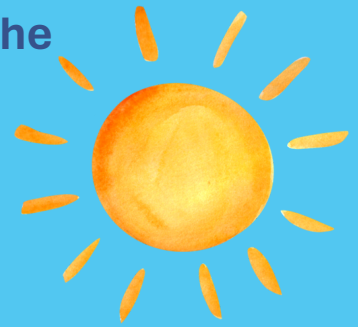
Spring / Summer  
2026

## Welcome to Pennard life

Welcome to the first edition of Pennard Life for 2026, the newsletter produced by Pennard Community Council.

The aim of this newsletter is to inform the community about what the council are doing and our future plans.

We hope you find it interesting and informative.



## Inside this edition

### You can find out about...



- **Your Council**
- **The New Wellness Walks**
- **What's on this Summer**
- **Some useful info for residents and visitors**
- **What's happening to the Rose Garden**
- **Pavilion update**
- **Call for Committee members**
- **And much much more.....**

### Have you noticed the EV Charger at the Hall?

Thanks to the UK Shared Prosperity Fund South West Wales, awarded last year, we have a 22kwt EV Charger available to use at the front of the Community Hall. It accepts all card payments so is easily accessible to all, perfect for those holiday visitors....



# YOUR COMMUNITY COUNCIL



## Who are your Community Councillors?

Richard Beynon	Southgate
Rachel Carter	Southgate
Ralph Cook	Southgate
Jon Dickson	Southgate
Rebecca Donnachie	Southgate
Lynda James (Chair)	Kittle
Cari Jones	Southgate
Adam O'Brien	Southgate
Keith Roberts	Kittle
Jasmine Roberts	Kittle
Susan Rodaway	Southgate
Will Smith	Southgate
Jason Thomas	Southgate



Your Councillors are here to represent you and our community.

Please do contact your Councillors with any questions, issues or concerns.



Find Cllr's contact details on our website: [pennardcc.gov.wales](http://pennardcc.gov.wales)

Contact the Clerk: [pennardcommunitycouncil@gmail.com](mailto:pennardcommunitycouncil@gmail.com)



Phone us: 07825 225567



## WE HAVE A VACANCY

Community Councillor  
needed for Southgate



### ARE YOU:

- ✓ Are community minded
- ✓ Want to be involved in local decisions
- ✓ Interested in what goes on in your village

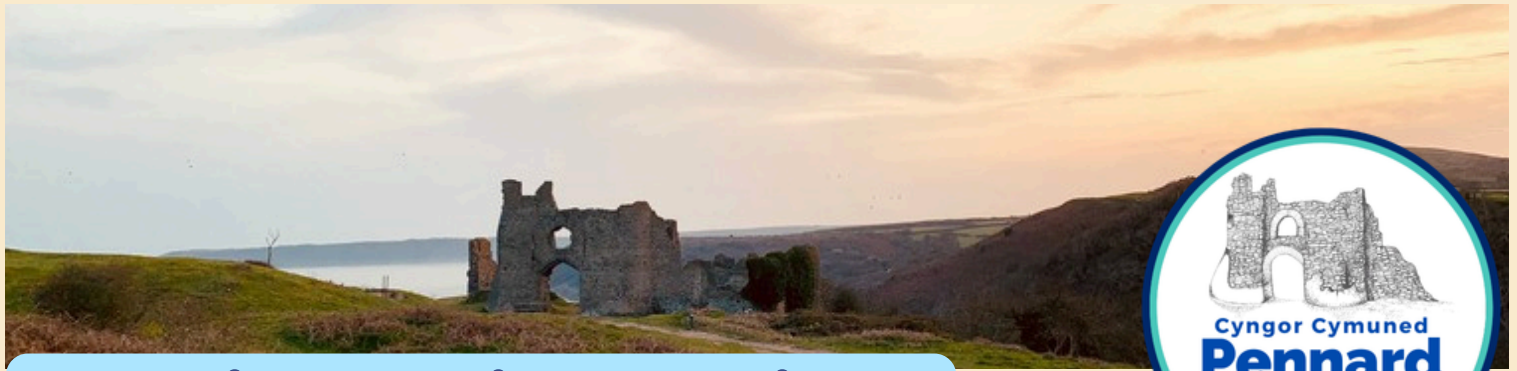


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## Who Sits On Which Committee?

### Environment

Cllr Rachel Carter  
 Cllr Jon Dickson  
 Cllr Cari Jones  
 Cllr Susan Rodaway  
 Cllr Ralph Cook  
 Cllr Jason Thomas  
 Cllr Rebecca Donnachie  
 Cllr Will Smith  
 Cllr Richard Beynon  
 Cllr Lynda James  
*Co-opted member of the Public*  
 Noel Clerk

### Hall

Cllr Lynda James  
 Cllr Jon Dickson  
 Cllr Keith Roberts  
 Cllr Susan Rodaway  
 Cllr Ralph Cook  
 Cllr Adam O'Brien  
 Cllr Jason Thomas

### Planning

Cllr Richard Beynon  
 Cllr Jon Dickson  
 Cllr Jasmine Roberts  
 Cllr Susan Rodaway  
 Cllr Ralph Cook  
 Cllr Jason Thomas  
 Cllr Lynda James  
 Cllr Adam O'Brien  
*Co-opted members of the Public*  
 Noel Clerk

### Land Management

Cllr Susan Rodaway  
 Cllr Richard Beynon  
 Cllr Jon Dickson  
 Cllr Jasmine Roberts  
 Cllr Cari Jones  
 Cllr Jason Thomas  
 Cllr Lynda James  
 Cllr Rebecca Donnachie  
 Cllr Adam O'Brien  
 Cllr Will Smith



## Community members wanted

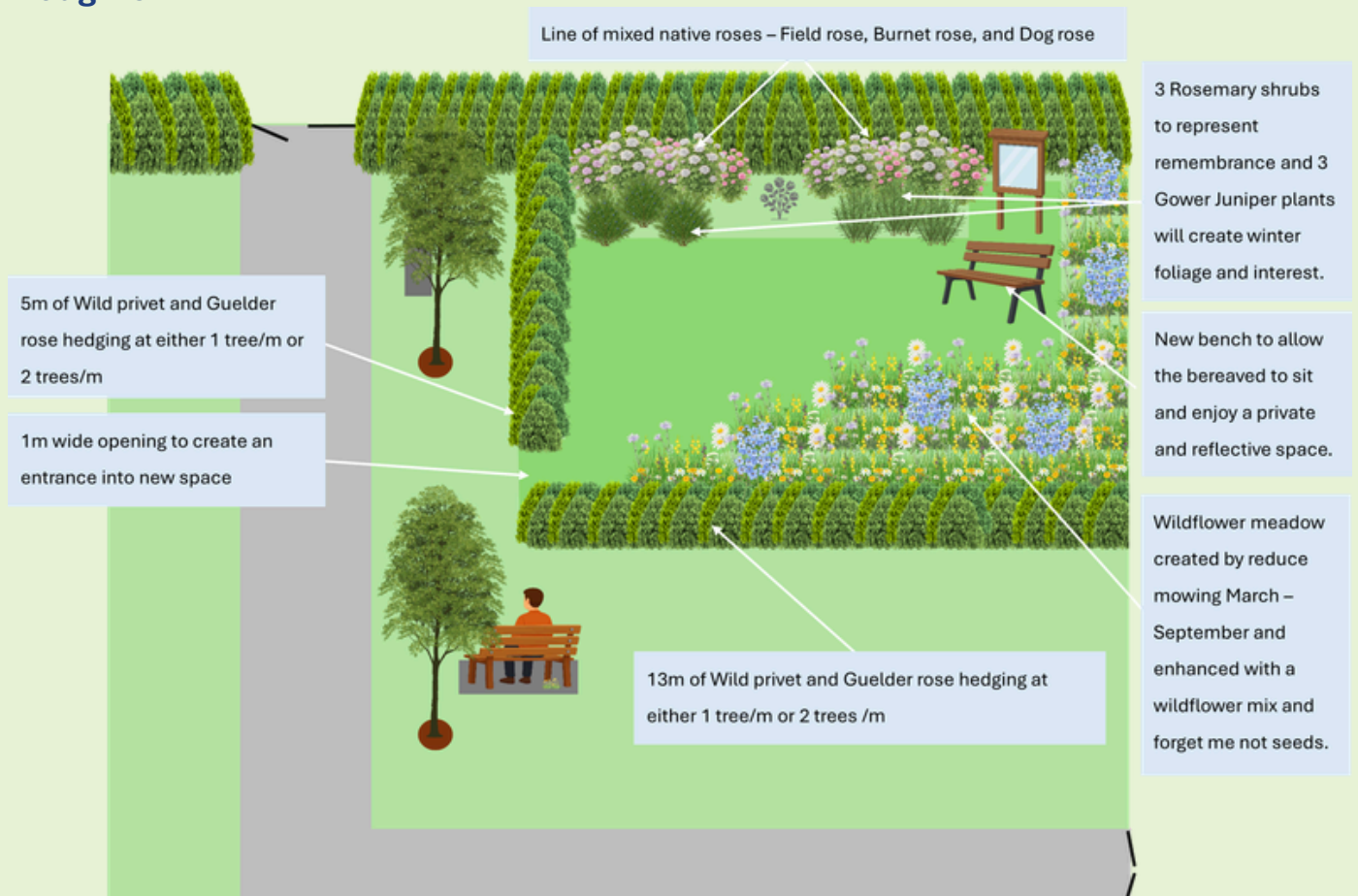
As well as our Councillors we also welcome members of the Community to join our Committees, Sub Committees and Working Groups. This enhances the teams with much needed diversity of knowledge and experience. All of our Committees listed above are looking for members of the community to join as well as the three new Sub Committees formed in May which sit under Environment these are:

- Communications - content writers, proof readers etc...
- Tyfu Garden - all thing garden orientated
- Accessibility - covers a whole raft of areas

All would benefit from your involvement, if you are interested contact the Clerk.

# Pennard Burial Ground – Rose Garden Revamp

Over the next few months the area around the rose garden has been going through a bit of a make over. Our aim is to create a peaceful area for contemplation and remembrance for visitors to sit and remember their loved ones. Complete with a bench, native hedging, native roses and a wildflower meadow. It will serve as a lovely space for both visitors and pollinators and enhance biodiversity. Look out for the Burnett rose and the rare Gower juniper. We would love to hear your thoughts.



## Why not book the Hall for your event!

The Hall is home to lots of different groups and there's something on every day, but we do still have the odd spot available, especially during the Summer.

Do you or a group of friends want to do some roller skating, hold some craft sessions, or just need more space for a get together?

Why not get in touch and I am sure we will be able to accommodate you.



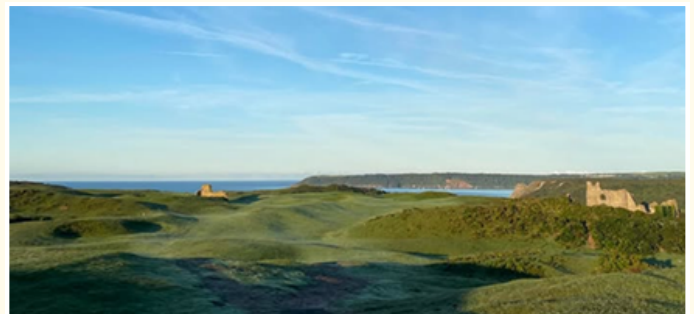


## **Bishopston and Pennard Walkers are Welcome Report for Pennard Newsletter March 2026**

**As some of you may know, Clive Scott and crew have done a fantastic job in putting Bishopston and Pennard on the UK map through making Bishopston and Pennard an accredited 'Walkers are Welcome' (WAW) destination. WAW is a UK wide initiative and Bishopston and Pennard WAW aims are:**

- To attract all walkers to our area and provide excellent information on local walks.**
- To ensure that footpaths and facilities for walkers are maintained, improved and well signposted.**
- To contribute to local tourism plans and regeneration strategies.**
- To promote the health benefits of walking and increase participation.**
- To encourage the use of public transport.**

**Currently there is regular walk on the first Friday of the month from West Cross Inn to Mumbles and another on the third Friday of the month from Langland to Snaple Point, led by Clive Scott.**



**The Pennard Wellness Walks will be restarting on 8<sup>th</sup> June where we walk from Pennard Surgery through the Pennard playing fields, stopping for coffee at Three Cliffs Coffee Shop and back. For those needing to take it easy and rest, there are benches on the way. There is also the possibility to take the bus back. For those who are more mobile, there is also the possibility to take a circuit route, especially since the stiles in the field behind the school are being changed to kissing gates. Bishopston and Pennard WAW are keen to work with others, including Pennard Community Council, to increase the accessible walks with resting places in our area.**

**At a meeting of the Bishopston and Pennard Walkers are Welcome (BPWaW) committee held on the 4th of February 2026, Cari Jones was appointed as BPWaW Disability and Access Officer. In this role, Cari will be the conduit for communication between BPWaW and Pennard Community Council.**

**If you also would like to join BPWaW please contact:**

**Clive Scott on 07369 299198**

**Cari Jones on 01792 979757**

**Email: [carijones@pennardcc.gov.wales](mailto:carijones@pennardcc.gov.wales)**

# PENNARD WELLNESS WALK

Starting 8th June 2026

All Abilities  
Welcome

Join us for a casual walk from  
the Wellness gardens (outside the GP Surgery)  
to Three Cliffs Coffee Shop  
for a cuppa and chat.

Meet us Fortnightly  
On the 2nd and 4<sup>th</sup> Monday  
of the Month at 1.30pm



Any questions?  
Contact Cari on 01792 979759  
carijones@pennardcc.gov.wales



HEALTH WALK  
All abilities & ages (over 18)  
WELCOME



Join us for a gentle stroll designed to increase physical activity. Suitable if you just want to 'stretch' your legs, if you're not as nimble as you were, if you use a wheelchair or mobility scooter or for some enjoyable company. We will also stop for a cuppa and chat.

Come and enjoy a walk, chat, cuppa and the fresh air!

SWANSEA PROMENADE TO MUMBLES:  
FIRST FRIDAY OF EACH MONTH

🕒 10:00 am

📅 1st Friday of the month

📍 Meeting point in Alderwood Road Car Park  
OPPOSITE, The West Cross Inn



LANGLAND TO SNAPLE POINT:  
THIRD FRIDAY OF EACH MONTH

🕒 10:00 am

📅 3rd Friday of the month

📍 Meeting point in Langland Carpark  
BEHIND the Langland Brasserie

For more information or if you need a lift (car sharing from Bishopston / Murton):  
Contact Clive Scott 07369 299198  
www.facebook.com/BishCC  
Join the WhatsApp Group with the QR Code here:

BCC Health Walk Group  
WhatsApp group



PENNARD  
Village Market



Local Produce • Food • Arts & Crafts • Pop-up Cafe

1<sup>ST</sup> SATURDAY OF THE MONTH

9:00am - 1:00pm

PENNARD COMMUNITY HALL, SA3 2AD



Indoors - Whatever the weather  
Free Entry • Free parking • All welcome

T. 07760 767363 Email. pennardmarket@gmail.com



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Here are some of the services currently provided (subject to change):

MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS  
SHOPPING TRIPS  
WORKSHOPS  
POST OFFICE/BANK VISITS  
SCHOOL DROP OFF/PICK UP  
OUT OF AREA TRIP  
PARCEL COLLECTIONS  
DAYS OUT

PERSONAL CARE APPOINTMENTS  
OUT FOR COFFEE  
CLASSES  
UTILITY APPLICATIONS  
TRAIN/BUS STATION TRIPS  
AIRPORT TRANSFERS  
PARCEL RETURNS  
BEACH TRIPS

I can take you or go for you. Your choice

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I am open to suggestions so if you have a query, please message me or call (signal permitting)

Does a retired relative need some help getting around?  
Do you wish you could sit and chat and hang out with loved ones more than you usually get chance to?

Wendy Will Help  
MY TIME IS YOUR TIME



# Beach Wheelchair Survey

To increase accessibility in the area, Pennard Community Council are considering purchasing a beach wheelchair so that it can be hired out for anyone who needs it for things like going to Pobbles Beach, accessing Pennard Community Garden, Pennard Playfields, etc

I would appreciate your opinions, and I would like to know:

- What do you think about being able to hire a beach wheelchair?
- Have you ever used a beach wheelchair and if so can you? Give some feedback of how it was to use it and how useful was it?
- What type of beach wheelchair do you suggest?
- What else would you suggest that would make things more accessible in the area?

Send your comments to: [carijones@pennardcc.gov.wales](mailto:carijones@pennardcc.gov.wales) .

Thank you so much

## Introducing Rachael

### Adult Services—Early Help Area Coordination

I'm Rachael, Area Coordinator for:  
Bishopston, Pennard,  
Gower, Three Crosses,  
Penclawdd, Fairwood and  
Upper Killay.



We can talk about any changes you'd like to make in your life. I am based locally so we can meet wherever is best for you. I will walk alongside you, take things at your pace and be guided by what works for you.

#### Together we can:

Explore options and solutions to any issues you might be facing.

Plan your goals and help you towards your vision of a good life.

Help you build connections and share your skills and interests.

#### Get in touch:

Mobile: 07929743468  
Email: [Rachael.cole@swansea.gov.uk](mailto:Rachael.cole@swansea.gov.uk)



## Swansea Early Help Team

### *Family, Friends, Community*

Area Coordinators will work alongside you and your community while you:

- Build new connections and friends
- Get involved in groups and activities in your community
- Overcome personal challenges
- Get the support that you need to achieve your good life
- Make your contribution to your community
- Think about what your good life looks like and work towards it



More information, including contact details of your Area Coordinator, can be found here:

[www.swansea.gov.uk/localareacoordination](http://www.swansea.gov.uk/localareacoordination)

For general enquiries about Early Help in Swansea, please contact the team by email at:

[Local.AreaCoordination@swansea.gov.uk](mailto:Local.AreaCoordination@swansea.gov.uk)



# SUMMER FUN 2026



**PENNARD PLAYING FIELDS**

**PENNARD** 2026

**CARNIVAL WEEKEND**

**10-12 JULY**

**SAVE THE DATE 2026**

**FRIDAY NIGHT DUNVANT CHOIR**  
**SATURDAY PROCESSION & CARNIVAL**  
**SATURDAY NIGHT LIVE MUSIC**  
**SUNDAY GOWER CHURCHES TOGETHER**



**GOWER**  
FOOD & DRINK  
**Festival**

**PENNARD COMMUNITY PLAYING FIELDS**

**SATURDAY 5<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2026**

# WHAT ACTION TO TAKE IF YOU ENCOUNTER COWS IN PENNARD

As most of you know, the cows from one of our local farms roam freely around Pennard and Southgate in the warmer months when the grass is growing. This is due to historic grazing rights that have been here for many many years. Although this does sometimes cause inconveniences (such as queuing on the road, and having to close your gate), the cows, which are reared for beef, have the benefit of a free range lifestyle and the higher standards of animal welfare associated with it.



In addition, they are responsible for maintaining the grazed aspect of the cliffs which many locals and visitors enjoy. Without livestock grazing the cliffs, they would soon become covered in brambles and gorse and would not have the open aspect they currently do. However, much as the cows do a great job, and are lovely to see, please do keep your distance from them as they can become defensive, especially if they have young calves which they tend to be protective of (Think of parents and their toddlers). The best thing is to give them all a wide berth and definitely no selfies! If you see the bull, rest assured he is generally more interested in the cows than you, but again, just keep a sensible distance.

## Health and Safety on Pennard Burrows and Golf Links

We are lucky enough to enjoy some of the most picturesque scenery in the heart of an AONB in Gower but there are some safety rules we all must think about.

Back in 2000 The CROW Act created Public rights of access over “open” land, which includes common land but excludes Golf courses, racecourses and aerodromes. Which is why the permitted safe walkways on the Golf Course are marked by white stones. One of the lasting effects of the Covid epidemic, when golf was not permitted, was that members of the public felt free to wander anywhere on the golf links and Pennard Burrows. Fine with no golf, but extremely hazardous when in play. The topography of the links means there are many blind spots. Golfers know and respect the right of the public to cross the course using the designated footpaths, and indeed compulsorily give way to walkers, but walkers emerging unexpectedly from a blind spot cause a significant safety risk.

An increasing problem on the Burrows and surrounding countryside is Dog mess. Most owners collect and dispose of their dog’s mess responsibly. But there are a small but increasing minority who have little regard for their fellow users by leaving dog mess behind, or worse collecting the mess in a bag and then leaving the bag at a convenient dropping point (other than a designated receptacle).

Enjoy Pennard Burrows and the Golf Links and all it has to offer, but please follow these simple rules:

- Keep to the designated footpaths and bridleways
- Keep dogs under close control
- Pick up your dog’s mess and deposit in the correct waste bin
- Be aware of golfers in your vicinity
- Direct wandering visitors to the footpaths
- Respect the fauna and flora, but above all show respect for all the other users.



# Pennard Community Council's Vision

At our recent Vision Setting Workshop Council Members looked at various questions set which included :

- Who are our communities
- What do our communities need?
- What is the role and function of the Community Council?
- What are the strengths and weaknesses of the Community Council itself? Is it facing any opportunities and threats outside of its control?

From the answers and points raised a vision statement was drafted.

## **"Pennard Community Council's VISION is:**

- **to preserve, protect and develop community life throughout our communities,**
- **to maintain and improve the environmental, social and economic wellbeing of the area for the benefit of all who live here and visit our area, regardless of age or ability, and for future generations.**

**To achieve this we will work with residents of all ages and abilities and with other organisations to secure good quality local services and facilities that meet people's changing needs and help them enjoy the best possible quality of life".**

We would now love to hear from you .....

How does this Vision make you feel?

Do you agree with it as a Vision ?

Would you add or take anything out ?

To let us know your thoughts  
email the Clerk on [clerk@pennardcc.gov.wales](mailto:clerk@pennardcc.gov.wales)

text on 07825 225567

use this link

<https://forms.office.com/r/JgVWrsyWFJ>

or

use the QR Code below







# Come and join in the fun at Tyfu Pennard community garden

It has been fantastic to have so many members of our community visit the garden over the last year. Many come to have a look around, some return to volunteer and most never go away empty handed!

The garden has produced lots of delicious vegetables and herbs which have been shared with anyone who comes to say hello!



Developing this project has had it's challenges but I am sure you agree it is a wonderful addition to the Community, we are always keen to have new volunteers join the team to help keep everything watered and tackle lots of jobs as the garden develops.

Everyone is welcome to the garden, you do not need to know anything about gardening or ecology, just be keen to get involved. If you don't feel like being active then there are quiet tranquil places to sit, enjoy a cuppa and watch the birds and bees.

There are lots of opportunities for children to get involved too, helping grow food, doing fun activities like, painting, spotting bees and butterflies, or making fat balls for the birds



There are under cover areas, so whatever the weather you can spend time outdoors. We have a range of nature ID guides and books, art materials and more available for you to use.

There are open volunteering sessions every  
Saturday 11am - 2pm



Scan the QR code above to register as a volunteer and join the WhatsApp group to keep up to date with what's going on at the garden.

 [tyfupennard@outlook.com](mailto:tyfupennard@outlook.com)

# PENNARD YOUTH NEWS

We have had a really busy few sessions with the young people getting stuck into planting in the Garden. They have also been developing their spray painting skills ready to design the paint the mural for the side wall of the Community Hall. Guided by Fresh Creative and funded by Welsh Government the Mural will depict the Nature History and Heritage of Pennard. Our Youth session held every Tuesday during term time are far more than ping pong and softball.

If you have a young person over the age of 11 who wants to get involved just get them to pop along to the hall at 4.30 on a Tuesday to join in the fun.....





# **Calling All Pennard Panthers Old and New**

**2027 will celebrate 50 years of cricket in Pennard. The Pennard Panthers will be celebrating being part of village life.**

**We plan to be at the Pennard Carnival on Saturday 12th July 2026 and in 2027 we will even be holding a mini tournament on the Sunday of the carnival.**

**Cricket, is in part of many families in the community and we hope this engagement will welcome many new players.**

**The team are looking for tales of those involved. So should you have been an ex player or sporter, the team would welcome your stories and old photos, Email [thecliffgower@gmail.com](mailto:thecliffgower@gmail.com).**

**Look out for more information on their coming events.**



# SOUTH GOWER COMMUNITY BUS

As you maybe aware, a group of local residents started the South Gower Community Bus a few years ago. This was done with the assistance of the 4th Region, an organisation established by the Welsh Government to promote sustainable transport, and the bus service was set up as a project through the Pennard Area Community Partnership.



Over the last year, the bus committee have been working hard towards formalising its organisation in becoming a Charitable Incorporated Organisation with its own constitution and bank account.

The service has not been without it's hiccups, as there was a short break when the original bus provider closed down. It is now being provided by DANSA, a not for profit organisation that specialises in Community Bus Services. DANSA have now purchased a new bus for the service and stops have been added to the Linkside Estate.

**SO LOOK OUT FOR THE NEW PURPLE BUS.**

We are very grateful for all the support by various local groups, such as The Gower Society, Pennard Community Charity, Pennard Community Council, Ilston Community Council and Penmaen Community Hall

## Buses run on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

From Nicholaston to Mumbles	Run 1	Run 2	Run 3	From Mumbles to Nicholaston	Return 1	Return 2	Return 3
Nicholaston Cross	0900	1100	1330	Mumbles (Bracelet Bay)	1000	1230	1430
Penmaen House	0901	1101	1331	Oystermouth (Bus Stop)	1007	1237	1437
Penmaen Church	0902	1102	1332	Northway, Bishopston	1019	1249	1449
Parkmill (Shepherds)	0904	1104	1334	Kittle (Shops)	1022	1252	1452
Sandy Lane / Gower Inn	0905	1105	1335	Pennard (St Mary's Church)	1024	1254	1454
<b>Cannisland Park (turnaround)</b>	<b>0910</b>	<b>1110</b>	<b>1340</b>	Pennard Primary School	1027	1257	1457
Pennard Church	0912	1112	1342	Linkside Estate	1028	1258	1458
Pennard Primary School	0914	1114	1344	<b>Southgate (Three Cliffs Café - turning point)</b>	<b>1032</b>	<b>1302</b>	<b>1502</b>
<b>Southgate (Three Cliffs Café - turning point)</b>	<b>0919</b>	<b>1119</b>	<b>1349</b>	Pennard Primary School	1035	1305	1505
Linkside Estate	0920	1120	1350	Pennard (St Mary's Church)	1038	1308	1508
Pennard Primary School	0922	1122	1352	Cannisland Park (turnaround)	1042	1312	1512
Pennard Church	0924	1124	1354	Sandy Lane / Gower Inn (A4118)	1045	1315	1515
Kittle	0926	1126	1356	Parkmill (Shepherds)	1046	1316	1516
Northway, Bishopston	0929	1129	1359	Penmaen	1048	1318	1518
OYSTERMOUTH (Bus Stop)	0941	1141	1411	Penmaen House	1049	1319	1519
Mumbles (Bracelet Bay)	0943	1143	1413	Nicholaston Cross	1050	1320	1520

The service relies heavily on grants at present with some monies from tickets sold and the refunds from the Welsh Government for those using the various bus passes. So the service needs more people to use it in order to make it a viable service in the long term - Remember: USE IT OR LOSE IT.

**TICKETS Adults single fare £3.50, return £5.50 - Children 5 - 16 £2 return £3.00**

Information can be found on Facebook and WhatsApp under: South Gower Community Bus.



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PENNARD**



## **Pennard Pavilion Update**

Last year we reported that we had appointed Down to Earth for stage 2 of the project which included designing the proposed building, carrying out appropriate surveys, and applying for grant funding unfortunately we were unable to raise the £56000 needed to complete the full project phase to RIBA stage 4, so we asked them to revisit the costing to RIBA stage 2 which would help us explore options and give us drawings and plans to put in front of Swansea Planning as well as potential funders, the cost of this was estimated at £25200 an amount which we are currently holding in reserve. Unfortunately at the February Full Council Meeting the Community Council members could not agree on these new costs or the way forward so the pavilion project was voted off the table and will not be able to be discussed for six months in line with our Standing Orders.

We will be able to revisit the subject again in the autumn so the hard work and community consultation will not be wasted.

We will need to go through the tender process again in order to find a Project Manager Architect and Surveyors, so watch this space, it is still hoped that we will be able to provide the Community with a facility they deserve and asked for some time in the future.

If there are any Project Managers architects or surveyors out there that would like to help with this wonderful project look out for our future invitations to tender and get involved or call the Clerk on 07825 225567 to express an interest.



# **Have a Wonderful Summer**

