

## BUILTH WELLS TOWN COUNCIL / CYNGOR TREF LLANFAIR-YM-MUALLT

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## BUILTH WELLS TOWN COUNCIL: END OF MUNICIPLE YEAR 2021 - 2022 REPORT & REGISTER OF ACTIVITIES.

Last night (10/05/2022) brought the end of the current municipal year for Builth Wells Town Council, and the election by Council members of the Mayor and Deputy Mayor for the forthcoming year

I am delighted to let you know that Councillor Alan Waller was voted in as Mayor, and Councillor Lauren Pugh was voted in as Deputy Mayor.

The Town Council continues to work towards helping to improve the environment and wellbeing of the Community we serve. I thought I would share with you a few of the Councils achievements:

- Family Fun Day, held during the summer of 2021, which was a huge success. Over 800 people enjoyed the variety of events being held, the favourite being the Sumo Wrestling!
- Santa's Sleigh project: this really brought the Town together. We had many donations for this project & what a great success it was, seeing the faces of the children light up as Santa passed by on his shiny new sleigh.
- The Christmas Grotto had a different feel this year, being held in the Strand Hall. We were delighted with the huge number of people who attended. Again, this was a great success, and a lot of fun was had by all.

- As always, our Town Council's Christmas Lights were spectacular and brought people from near and far to see them. We have a dedicated team of Councillors and Volunteers who give up a lot of their time to make them looks fantastic.
- The bench project took off this year, with repainting and refurbishing all of Council's benches in and around the Town, together with some new additions on the Groe. This took a lot of time and dedication by a small group of Councillors and Volunteers', but what a difference it has made.
- The Bee and Butterfly Garden continues to take shape and is really started to blossom.
- Last year, and again this year, the Council will be supplying, paying for, and putting up the hanging baskets for the Town.
- We have been supplying and maintaining the free dog waste bags in the dispensers on the Groe for a number of years, and we will continue to do this.
- Mayors Charity Ball: a first for the Town Council and a chance to thank those who have gone above and beyond to make their community a better place. The event raised nearly £8000, £4600 of which will go to the mayors' chosen charities: The Bracken Trust, and Cancer Research Wales. This was a huge success, and it is hoped that it can be annual event.
- Attached is our Register of Activities, and as you can see, the Town Council has also continued to support local groups and charities.

Our Town Councillors, who are all unpaid volunteers and give up their own time to help the Community, remain a dedicated team and will continue to work hard in order to see how they can develop and improve on what the Council does, over the forthcoming year.

In addition, the Town Councils first 3-year strategy has now become operational, and all activities will be in conjunction with the aims and objectives set by the Council.

Louise Hammond Town Council Clerk

## Register of Activities for Annual Council Report, with Auditable Cross references, for the 2021 – 2022 Financial Year.

Aims and objectives:	<ul> <li>Mayor's Ball = fundraising opportunity.</li> <li>Citizens Awards = support a charity.</li> <li>Promote Bee and Butterfly Garden.</li> <li>New Welcome to Builth Signs.</li> </ul>
Training for Members/ Staff:	<ul> <li>All Councillors should attend Code of Conduct training.</li> <li>Chair and Deputy to attend chairing skills and other useful/helpful training.</li> <li>Refresher courses where appropriate and basic knowledge of finance and law for all members would be desirable.</li> <li>Encourage Councillors to attend seminars and webinars.</li> <li>Clerk to carry on gaining skills and knowledge with online learning, webinars, and training courses.</li> </ul>

Date	Activity	Monies given	Monies received	<u>D</u> onation or <u>H</u> onorarium	Reference Number
January 2021	To Community Support during the Covid -19 pandemic.	£3000			
Feb / March 2021	Refurbish the strand hall floor/ bar and painting.	Approx. £8500			BW/037/21.
March 2021	Electrics at Strand (Ongoing).	Approx. £6000			BW/028/20
April 2021	Grants total this year: £11500 to be spent.				Budget BW/120/20
April 2021	Community projects: £5000 to be spent this year.				Budget BW/120/20
April/May 2021	Hanging baskets for the high street in the Town: Budget set for £3000-£4000 – including watering.	£4000			HB/003/21
March 2021	Donation to Ysgol Calon Cymru.	£1000		D	BW/039/21
March 2021	Donation to Builth Wells Primary School.	£500		D	BW/039/21

March 2021	Grant to Builth Wells Heritage Society.	£1056			BW/038/21
April 2021	New Lights on the Bull.	£1000			BW/021/21
March - April 2021	To replace and repair benches around the Town.	£3000	£600 in donations.		BW/021/21
April 2021	To purchase Defibrillator for Strand £1607.	£1607.00			BW/034/21
April 2021	School crossing patrol.	£1500			Budget BW/120/20
April 2021	Purchase of Dog waste bags.	£800			Budget BW/120/20
April 2021	Upkeep/maintenance of Groe & Strand Street Public toilets.	£23300			Budget BW/120/20
April 2021	Towns Website.	£2500			BW/116/20
April 2021	Upkeep maintenance War Memorial.	£500			Budget BW/120/20
April 2021	New Lights for the Bull.	£1000			BW/040/21
May 2021	Bike Bash.	£3000			BW/066/21
May 2021	Speed Watch programme.	£100		D	BW/068/21
May 2021	School Crossing Patrol Full amount now to Powys.	Approx. £3000			BW/067/21
May 2021	Honorarium: Christmas lights Volunteers.	£300		Н	BW/064/21
May 2021	New Welcome Signs (application & design).				BW/071/21
June 2021	Work started on the renewing and repair of Council benches	£3000			BW/094/21
July 2021	Speeding issues Golf Links Road – Cllr Hammond met with MS and Cilmery Council to forge a way forward.				BW/101/21
July 2021	Tree felling of Die Ash back along river will be ongoing, work starts in September.				BW/106/21
August 2021	Summer Children's Fun Day.	Approx. £1500			BW/113/21
September 2021	Work starts on Christmas lights.		£600 in donations.		
November/December 2021	Santa's new Sleigh.	Approx. £1200	Donations received for this project £2900		BW/143/21
December 2021	Santa's Grotto.	Approx. £2000	Approx. £400 in donations.		
December 2021	Grant given to heritage Society.	£1500			BW/161/21
January 2022	Jubilee Cups (for Builth Wells Primary School).	£1763.76			BW/008/22
February 2022	Community Support Grant.	£3000.00			BW/024/22
February 2022	Scouts Grant.	£1500.00			BW/024/22
March 2022	Powys Mind.	£1000.00			BW/033/22

April 2022	Mayors Ball.	Self-Funding	Raised Approx.	BW/008/22
		Any monies	£8000	
		raised to two		
		Charities of		
		Mayors choice.		