

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
Every Friday	Morning Prayers	9.00 am

St Cedwyn's Church, 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
Every Tuesday	Morning Prayers	9.00 am

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

Gofalaeth Bro Llansilin a'r Cylch

Medi

2	Parch Stanton Evans	Cefncanol	2.00 pm	Pererindod (i'w drefnu)
9	Parch Ddr Sion Aled	Rhiwlas	6.30 pm	
16	Parch Graham Floyd	Llansilin	6.30 pm	
23	Mr Noel Jones *	Cefncanol	2.00 pm	
30	Mr T M Ellis	Rhiwlas	10.00am	

Hyd

7	Parch Stanton Evans (C)	Llansilin	10.00 am	Diolchgarwch yr Ifanc
14	Mr Thomas Morris	Cefncanol	10.00am	
21	Parch E Elfyn Richards	Rhiwlas	2.00 pm	
28	Parch Ddr J Tudno Williams *	Llansilin	2.00 pm	

Tach

4	Parch Stanton Evans	Cefncanol	6.30 pm	Pregeth a thrafodaeth
11	Parch Rhys ab Ogwen-Jones *	Rhiwlas	2.00 pm	
18	Parch Ddr Elfed ap Nefydd Roberts	Llansilin	2.00 pm	
25	Mr John Rosser	Cefncanol	2.00 pm	

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

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Church, Chapel and Village News



Mary Cunnah

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Dear Friends

When the news in Britain is gloomy, people all too often look for someone to blame. My heart was gladdened, therefore, when at the time of the recent floods someone said that she was as content as could be expected and keen to help others in return for the many kindnesses shown to her. She added, "There's too much taking and not enough giving these days." How very true. Her comments made me reflect on the material society we live in today.

In Llansilin, we are very blessed. We are a small community that gets on well together and chats amiably enough when we pass by in the street. But to what extent do we really know each other? I do not mean in the gossipy sense. I mean about whom in the village and surrounding farmsteads is having a difficult time, is unhappy, lonely, depressed or neglected. Whilst in reality none of us is badly-off compared with many people in our world, we still need to take an interest in each other and look out for those who might need us from time to time. Let's not wait for a disaster to bring everyone together. We can always act as a proper Christian community by caring for each other; befriending, bringing comfort and reassurance to those in need on our own doorstep. God wants us to help each other even when there has been no disaster; to love, as we ourselves are loved.

We have many reasons to count our blessings and we can do this by readily coming together as a community in worship, prayer and fellowship. St Silin's is pleased to announce new Service times, and everyone is welcome to join us in our worship. There is something to suit everyone. As well as Holy Communion, Matins and Evensong, we are introducing a new style Family Service. So come along and join us for worship, friendship and refreshments after service in our new Parish Room.

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With every blessing,

Margaret Robarts
Vicar

Mothers Union meets in the Institute 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 (Llansilin Drama Group). For information about time and place of meetings, contact Alison Beeston ☎ 791 262

Parochial Church Council Meeting: second Tuesday monthly at 7 pm in 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). Contact Dan Evans ☎ 791 417

Police Welsh 0845 607 1001
English 0845 607 1002

Post Office Tuesday 8.30 am to 2.30 pm
Thursdays 8.30 am to 12.30 pm

Rhiwlas Community Centre: contact Will Thomas ☎ 680 451

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

Shopping/Mobility Bus every Friday £3 return, free to bus pass or token holders. Leaves Llansilin 11 am and returns from Oswestry at 1.15 pm. Suitable for wheelchair user. Contact Border Community Transport ☎ 01938 556 281

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

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 ☎ 791 580 or Rosemary Edwards ☎ 791 413

YFC: contact Richard Evans ☎ 600 228

Youth Club meets Thursdays 7 - 9.00 pm in the Hall. Contact Elena Jones ☎ 772 477

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. Contact Ray Denye ☎ 791 434

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

C.R.A.F.T. Group meets on Monday mornings 10 am - 12 noon. Contact 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 at Rhiwlas Community Centre Tuesdays 10 am - 12 noon.

Garage Shop Monday to Friday 8.30 am - 1 pm and 2 pm to 6 pm
Saturday 8.30 am - 1 pm

Llanfyllin Group Practice Patient Participation Group Comments and questions regarding any aspect of medical care and practice to Rob Ellis ☎ 791 214

Llansilin Mixed Choir practice weekly 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: Secretary and Booking Clerk Arthur James ☎ 791 346

Mobile Library: every other Monday at Llansilin Church at 1.30 pm, then Moelfre layby 2.40 pm, Llangadwaladr 3.15 pm, Rhiwlas 3.45 pm. ☎ 01938 553001

“JUST THE RIGHT THING” FOR THE MOTHERS’ UNION

St Silin’s hosted an unusual event recently - a Fashion Show, organised by the Llansilin and Llangedwyn Mothers’ Unions. Churches in the surrounding area were invited and a large congregation almost filled the church. After a service taken by the vicar, Revd Margaret Roberts, the models took to the catwalk to show off the beautiful selection of clothes from “Just the Right Thing” in Beatrice Street, Oswestry. Christine Williams, Margaret Evans, Melanie Maddox, Jean Evans and Evelyn Brighty represented the Mothers’ Union and the other models came from the shop.

At the end of the show a bouquet was presented to Mrs Karen Morris, the owner of Just the Right Thing, by Angharad Jones and Jas Maddox (Glenice Jones’s grand-daughters), together with Mollie Chad from Llangedwyn. Gifts of chocolate were given to the hard-working models.



The refreshments were truly delicious and much appreciated by everyone. Glenice would like to thank everyone who worked so hard to make this such a successful event. Proceeds from the £400 raised were shared between the Mothers’ Union and Mrs Morris, who is donating her share to the cancer charity she supports.

NEWS FROM YSGOL BRO CYNNLAITH AND OUR LAST REPORT FROM MAIR SMITH

The term ended with more farewells than usual this year. Going to Llanfyllin High School in September will be Sarah Butler, Fenton Cosford, Grace Fensome, Siôna Glennie, Hannah Lloyd, Isabelle Kalra, Jack Needham and Louis Vittle. We have enjoyed their company and wish them well for the future. Shelby, Luke and Callie Springett will be flying to the USA in August. We hope they settle in quickly to their new home and schools.

All our Year 5 children have passed their Cycling proficiency and we are grateful to Bob Williams for training them. Thank you to Greg Cosford for providing football training every week. The children have benefited greatly from regular sessions. For the first time we had children playing mini tennis at Welshpool and we had 3 teams taking part in the Football Tournaments at St Cedwyn’s and Pennant

Fun Days. The rounders match between Year 6 and their parents resulted in victory for the parents.

The markings on the playgrounds are now completed and both are looking bright and colourful. The PTFA have purchased 3 new computers for the school with donations from parents and money raised at a concert given by the Llansilin Choir. Thank you to all members of the community who attended our Open Day. We had a good turn out. Watch for a date next term when we will be holding another. A lovely day was spent at the Welsh Mountain Zoo at Colwyn Bay - and luckily the rain kept off until we were on our way home. Our Fruit Tuck Shop is doing well with both children and staff having a piece of fruit every morning. Year 5 children are responsible for ordering and distributing the fruit and banking the money.

"ALL TOGETHER NOW"

We have a new group of songsters in our midst. The school has just launched its first ever CD and it's on sale at the school, Llansilin Post Office and Lowri's in Oswestry. All the children took part, singing their favourite songs in English and Welsh. Make sure you get your copy!

FAREWELL TO MAIR SMITH

At the end of the summer term the pupils, staff and governors had to say farewell to their headteacher, Mrs Mair Smith. Mair has been at the school for nine years and during that time has brought many new ideas to the school. She has been very popular with all the children, who were very sorry to see her leave. The governors will be advertising for a replacement early in the new academic year.



At the school leavers' service in the church, Mrs Smith was presented with a pencil pot, a telescope and an embroidery of the school logo.

Mair responded by saying: "My nine years here have been very happy ones. I have loved being at the school and will miss everyone, especially the children. I am grateful to the staff, parents and governors for their support."

Gweinidog

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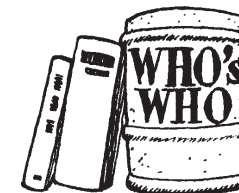
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Bellringing, St Silin's

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Ringing Practice
Wednesdays at 7.30 pm

Rhiwlas Mission Church

Contact Marjorie Evans
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August

- 25 Local Sheepdog Trials
- 27 Open Sheepdog Trials and Village Show

September

- 8 Church Produce stall and Open Day at St Silin's
- 11 PCC meeting at 7 pm in the Parish Room
- 23 Confirmation at Llansantffraid 2.30 pm (no evensong at St Silin's)
- 29 Grand Concert in Memorial Hall at 7.30 pm

October

- 6 Church Produce stall 10 am to 11.30 am
- 7 Harvest Service at St Silin's 10.30 am, followed by a Come and Share Harvest lunch
- 9 PCC meeting at 7 pm in the Parish Room

November

- 11 Remembrance Service (details to be announced)
- 13 PCC meeting at 7 pm in the Parish Room
- 17 St Silin's Christmas Fair in the Memorial Hall

NB Details of regular church and chapel services are on page 16 and include details of the changed services at St Silin's and St Cedwyn's.

Flower and Cleaning Rota at St Silin's

September

- 1 & 8 Joyce and Mary M
- 15 & 22 Brenda and Lynnette
- 29 Christine

October

- 6 & 13 Joint clean and decorate for Harvest Thanksgiving
- 20 & 27 Megan and Alma

November

- 3 & 10 Janet and Sheila
- 17 & 24 Glenice and Margaret L



Don't forget! Bank Holiday weekend!

Saturday, 25th August from 2 pm

Sheep dog trials for local competitors - it's harder than it looks!
Enjoy refreshments from the special caterer
Then come for the Family Barbecue at 8 pm
All on Cae Dentyr



Monday, 27th August - it's all happening!

Open sheep dog trials all day
Horse show with lots of new classes in 4 rings from midday
Show in Village Hall from 2 pm
Flower pot competition
Football and sports for all
Decorated "fountain" display
Church open



Schedules available in village shop

Gweinidogaeth Bro

Yn y Cylchlythyr olaf soniwyd am y tywydd bendigedig a gafwyd yn ystod y tymor wyna, wel dydy'r tywydd y ddau fis diwthaf ddim wedi bod yn dywydd cynheuafu gwair na silwair, o bell ffordd, ond fe ddaw haul ar fryn eto 'rwy'n siwr.

Nos Sul, Mai 13eg, cynhaliwyd gwasanaeth ddwyieithog Cymorth Cristnogol yng Nghapel Bethania. Cymerwyd y rhannau arweiniol gan aelodau o bob enwad, ac yna cafwyd anerchiad am waith Cymorth Cristnogol yn Nicaragua gan y Dr. Dafydd Tudur, Aberystwyth.

Gwasanaeth Neges Ewyllys Da a gafwyd Nos Sul, Mai 20fed. Gwasanaeth yw hwn sy'n cael ei gynllunio gan yr Urdd. Trefnwyd y gwasanaeth gan Y Parch Stanton Evans, ac fe fu yr ieuencid yn gyfrifol am y darlleniadau, gweddiau a'r emynau. Rhian Griffiths, Ty'n Llwyn ddarllenodd y neges eleni.

Y brodyr oedd yng ngofal gwasanaeth y nos Sul cyntaf ym Mis Gorffennaf. Gwasanaeth Cymun oedd hwn a'r themau oedd "Gobaith".

Eleni, bydd ein Pererindod blynyddol ar y Sul cyntaf o Fedi yn mynd i Lanystumdwy. Mae croeso i bawb, ac os ydych am ddod rhwch eich henw i'r Parch Stanton Evans neu i Myr Evans.



BAND CONCERT

The very successful Afternoon Concert held in the Church in May raised over £400, which was divided between the Wales Air Ambulance and Church funds. As always, we are most grateful to everyone who supported this event.

SCHOOL LEAVERS' SERVICE

The Revd Margaret Robarts welcomed everyone to this special service. It was an emotional service as not only were 9 pupils leaving to go to Llanfyllin, but the headmistress, Mair Smith, was also retiring after 9 years in Llansilin. She was presented with a telescope from the children and staff. The service ended with the children singing a farewell song to Mrs Smith, accompanied by Mrs Iona Jones. Mrs Smith thanked the staff and children and expressed her 9 years in Llansilin as having been very happy ones.

The children entertained with songs, poems and their memories and each child leaving was presented with a pencil pot. Mrs Robarts, having wished the pupils every success and Mrs Smith every happiness in her retirement, closed the service with the blessing.

FAMILY SERVICE

St. Silin's Church held a very happy Family Service on Sunday, 29 July. The service was arranged by the Worship Group of the PCC and proved to be a great success. There were 25 children present together with their parents - and the occasional grandmother! A good time was had by all, with the children taking a lively part in the proceedings. It so happened that it was the 8th birthday of Lisa Jones, and there was a rousing chorus of 'Happy Birthday', which was sung with great enthusiasm by all. After the service everyone enjoyed a welcome tea, coffee or orange juice. It is hoped to repeat this happy experience before too long.

CHURCH OPEN DAY ON 8 SEPTEMBER

On Saturday, 8 September, along with all other churches in Wales, St Silin's will be hosting an Open Day. Because of this the produce stall will be held on that day, not on 1 September. This will be an opportunity for people to have a look round our beautiful old church and refreshments will be laid on in the Parish Room. Please look out for full details on posters.

LLANSILIN TABLE TENNIS CLUB



We have established a Table Tennis club in the village. We started with a couple of free taster sessions in April and May in the village hall. Since then we have held four further sessions in June and July which have attracted a total of 14 people of all ages and abilities. The intention is to run the club every Tuesday evening from the middle of September through to April starting at 7.30pm. The club will provide opportunities for people to play table tennis on a social or competitive basis. For those who wish to play socially, the club will be open for anyone to come along, meet people, have some fun and try their skills. On the competitive side, we will be running at least one team in the Oswestry and District Table Tennis League.

We will be arranging two pre-season sessions in August and early September and the dates will be placed on the Village Hall Notice Board. If you are interested in playing either socially or competitively, please contact Pat Lovell on 791235 or email pkplovell@tiscali.co.uk



During Christian Aid Week in May, Llansilin and district managed to collect £580.09. Christian Aid works with the world's poorest people in more than 60 countries regardless of race or faith. The money was raised as followed: individual donations £60; Rhiwlas Chapel £32; Cefnancol Chapel £53.35; St David's service £49.50; the Christian Aid United service £37.80; the coffee evening £200 and house to house collections in Llangedwyn, Moelfre, Rhiwlas and Llansilin £147.44.

Local secretary, Rhiannon Lewis, and treasurer, John Jones, wish to thank you all for the kind donations and the house to house collections. Diolch yn fawr.

A PICTURE IS WORTH A THOUSAND WORDS



Very true. We do like to include photos with articles - digital, if at all possible - so please remember to take your cameras along to events. They will, of course, only be photocopied in the newsletter so they won't be as clear as the original but they are still well worth having.

FROM GLYNDWR TO GAWLER

The Memorial Hall was packed for a repeat performance of the talk given last year by Paul Hughes on his family tree, together with an update on his further researches.

Family members gathered around Wyn from far and wide; none further, of course, than Paul, his wife Ann and their two daughters, Sarah and Eleanor. We were all treated to an informative and interesting account of the impressively long line on both sides of the family. How he managed to get it all in was an achievement in itself. Paul's research has been most thorough, which is even more creditable when you realise how much he had to do back home in Australia. His presentation was highly professional, as too is the book he has produced of the material he has gathered. It wasn't all information, however: we were entertained by Paul's anecdotes and his teasing good humour – now where did he get that from?!

The Hughes clan, as Wyn calls them, provided excellent refreshments to round off a most enjoyable evening.



PALS



Having been requested to take part in the Rhydycroesau Victorian Music Hall PALS decided on a light-hearted version of a Victorian news bulletin with a twenty-first century slant. As it was a busy time of year for many of the members the bulletin was divided into a number of amusing snippets spread amongst several actors. The group is hoping to start rehearsals in the autumn for their next production which is planned for the turn of the year.

Quote of the year from Queen Victoria when trying on her bustle for Trinny and Susannah: "Does one's bum look big in this?"

WHAT A RELIEF

The Foot and Mouth crisis is not quite over yet, but a huge sigh of relief has gone up over most of the country that this present outbreak appears to have been contained. It still brought back bitter memories, however, and a reminder to stay on guard.

Did You Know?

Llansilin had its own electricity plant installed in 1927. It supplied 110 volts DC from batteries charged from a turbine-generator on the River Cynllaith.

Llansilin Local History Society

In March 1984, fifteen local people met at Priddbwl Ganol to discuss the formation of a history group, and to draft a programme of meetings. The Local History Society was formed then, with Mrs Nesta Morgan as chairman. A pattern emerged of having a summer season of about ten or twelve talks and visits. The Society has flourished and expanded since that time, with something like 60 to 80 subscribing members. Typically about 30 members attend meetings. Members are drawn from as far away as Wolverhampton, Wrexham and several from Oswestry. The present chairman is Mr Emyr Evans, and events take place on alternate Mondays during the season in the Village Institute.

Apart from the programme of meetings, a little project work has been done by the Society, and a great deal is done by members individually. A graveyard memorial survey was undertaken of one of the village chapels, followed by a similar survey at the chapel in the adjacent hamlet of Moelfre. Recently the Society hosted the Cadw travelling exhibition about Owain Glyndwr, and we occasionally contribute our own exhibition when an occasion demands. One of our members has written a book about how dis-establishment affected Llansilin, published under the auspices of the Society.

The Society is in process of setting up a Local History Archive housed in steel cupboards inside the church, where members will be able to browse our growing collection of documents and artefacts.

New members are always very welcome to join us; there is a small annual subscription to cover speakers' fees and expenses and the hire of the Institute, or you can sample an individual meeting for £1.50.

Christopher P. Burton

Hon.Sec. Llansilin Local History Society

01691 791 274 or email llhs@envex.demon.co.uk

Rhydycroesau Area Design Plan

The progress so far of the Rhydycroesau Area Design Plan (with Llanforda and Sychtyn Wards) will be displayed at the Llansillin Show on Bank Holiday Monday. There will be an opportunity to make comments and suggestions to Sheila Ashley who will be presenting the display during late morning/early afternoon.

NEUADD GOFFA LLANSILIN MEMORIAL HALL
CYNGERDD
MAWREDDOG
(GRAND CONCERT)
gyda/with
TRI TENOR
(The Three Tenors)
Crwys Gwynnant Evans—Robyn Lyn Evans—John Davies

Cyfeilydd/Accompanist—Eirwen Hughes
and
CÔR CYMYSG
LLANSILIN
(Llansilin Mixed Choir)
Arweinyddes/Conductor—Iona Jones
Cyfeilydd/Accompanist—Eleri Owens

Nôs Sadwrn/Saturday 29th Medi/September 2007 at 7:30pm
Tocynnau/Tickets-£6 (Plant/Children-£3)
Ffôn/Telephone 791346 for tickets

TWO REPORTS FROM LLANSILIN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

At the Annual General Meeting Cllr Hywel Jones was appointed Chairman and Cllr Mrs Carol Foulkes Vice Chairman.

It was reported that the pot holes on local roads had been attended to. Dog fouling was still prevalent, particularly on the Moeliwrch road. It was agreed to invite the Montgomeryshire Dog Warden to the next meeting to discuss what could be done to solve the problem.

The Chairman, Vice Chairman and Cllr E O Evans were re-elected to the planning sub-committee. Cllrs Carol Foulkes and E O Evans were re-elected to serve on the Youth Club committee.

A planning application for an extension to Pantyllyn, Moelfre, was supported. It was recommended that an application to erect a dwelling on land opposite Pantyllyn be refused as no local need could be demonstrated and the site was deemed to be unsuitable for development.

It was decided to donate £50 to the 2007 Powys Eisteddfod. Requests for financial assistance from Pennant MaEangell Festival, Welsh Air Ambulance and Caring for Carers, Montgomeryshire, were left on the table.

The clerk was requested to deal with the following complaints: unlicensed cars on the Bryncelyn estate; dangerous corner opposite Lledrode; badgers causing damage to the Moelygwelltyn Isa road.

The July meeting was chaired by Cllr Hywel Jones, supported by the clerk, H Hughes. Mrs Liz Evans was welcomed to the meeting and gave a presentation on the aims of the Rhydycoesau area designs plan group. This could be incorporated in a community strategy which allowed inhabitants of villages and hamlets to have an input into future developments whilst ensuring that local characteristics are maintained. Mrs Evans indicated that when the results of a local questionnaire were made known, she would contact the Community Council seeking their views and hopefully their support. She was warmly thanked by the Chairman.

It was reported that the damage attributed to badgers near Moelygwelltyn Isa had been attended to and that appropriate notices had been displayed on the abandoned cars on the Bryncelyn estate. Members approved a planning application to erect a dwelling on land between Aelbryn and the Vicarage and also listed building consent for use of the east wing as a family flat at Tynewydd. An application to erect 23 dwellings on land opposite the Wynnstay was approved in principle subject to highway problems being resolved. Notification had been received from Powys CC that the new dwellings on the Bryn Dentyr estate would be numbered as follows: houses 1,3, 5 and 7 and bungalows 10 and 12. Members agreed to renew membership of Clwyd Community Chest. Applications for financial assistance from Powys Welfare Rights Forum and Llanfyllin Integration Trauma Group were left on the table.

The clerk was requested to report damaged direction signs near Preswylfa, Cymdu and The Vron, Llancadwaladr. Excess water on the road from Tyisa to Rhydeos and uneven surface of road opposite Tynygroes, Rhiwlas. The clerk was also requested to contact neighbouring Community Councils to ascertain their reaction to the proposed Welsh Language Act.

Congratulations to the Clerk of the Community Council, Harry Hughes, on his appointment as Montgomeryshire committee chairman on Powys C.C.