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### NOTICE OF MEETING

A meeting of Solva Community Council (SCC) will be held on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2024 commencing at 6p.m. in Solva Community Clubhouse. This is a multi-location meeting allowing community councillors and members of the public to attend virtually or in person.

Members of the public are warmly invited to attend and are encouraged to notify the Clerk in advance which business items on the agenda they wish to contribute views on.

Agenda and minutes will be available from the Clerk and at [Solva Community Council](https://solva.gov.wales/) <https://solva.gov.wales/>

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## COUNCILLORS CORNER

### Solva & St Davids



As local County Councillors, Bethan Price and myself (MarkCarter) attended the Policy Overview and Scrutiny on 12th November.

#### **St Davids Waste and Recycling centre**

We are both very pleased to report that after making Committee members aware of all the circumstances around the suggested closure of St Davids Waste and Recycling centre, the Committee voted 10-3 to request that Cabinet adopt option 4 of the recommendations. This proposes that all 6 WRC (tip) sites will lose 1 day per week whilst saving St Davids to achieve the required £70k saving. It must be remembered that the final decision lies with Cabinet and that they could go against this recommendation. There is also the question as to where the funding will come from for any site improvements but that is a matter that requires further investigation.

#### **Speed Limits & Parking**

On Friday 15th November, Services Overview and Scrutiny was held. Unusually 3 local petitions for members' consideration were presented, 2 in respect of lowering speed limits and 1 in respect of reorganisation of parking in Porthgain. Petitions are available for use by any resident who gathers a number of signatures and wishes to bring an issue that relates to the Council to their attention. Details of how to present one are on the PCC website.

#### **Solva Surgery**

Concerns have also been raised to me that cars may be travelling towards the Doctors surgery through Maes yr Eglwys at a speed that is inappropriate. This stretch of road is, like the rest of Solva village, 20mph. As PCC is only responsible for setting the speed limits, it is the Police who enforce the limit and concerns about excessive speed should be reported to 101 noting Reg number, date, time and location.

#### **Winter Driving**

With colder weather coming, can we remind residents that only the primary routes are gritted and in Solva this is just the main road. Full advice for winter driving and all county gritter routes can be found on the PCC website. Link is <https://www.pembrokeshire.gov.uk/road-maintenance/winter-driving-and-gritting-routes>

As always if you have any Council related concerns, please feel free to contact Mark on 07976 553912 or [cllr.mark.carter@pembrokeshire.gov.uk](mailto:cllr.mark.carter@pembrokeshire.gov.uk) and Bethan on 07767 398924 or [cllr.bethan.price@pembrokeshire.gov.uk](mailto:cllr.bethan.price@pembrokeshire.gov.uk)

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If you would like to include something in Solva & St David's News, and for advertising rates, please contact the editor Mic Rushen.

**Email [solvanews@outlook.com](mailto:solvanews@outlook.com)**

**St Davids  
Christmas Market**

Thursday 12th December 2024  
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CITY COUNCIL

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## Notice of St Davids City Council Meetings:

Monthly Meeting – Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December – 7.00pm in the Memorial Hall

The agenda and minutes are available from the Clerk and on the City Council website – <https://stdavids.gov.uk/>

Members of the public are welcome to attend and are given reasonable opportunity to make representations about items of business on the agenda to be discussed.

Members of the public wishing to attend on a remote basis should notify the Clerk to the Council by 12pm on the day of the meeting so that guidance can be provided on how to attend.



Congratulations to Hannah, Adam and the team who have taken over the restaurant at Oriel y Parc. It's been given a bright new makeover and renamed The Brunch House. Serving fresh, vibrant and tastebud tantalising brunches from 9.30 - 3pm daily.

## WORLD FAMOUS KING'S COLLEGE CAMBRIDGE CHOIRMEN SING CHRISTMAS IN ST DAVIDS!

For many, the start of Christmas is the sound of Carols from King's College, Cambridge, and this year, a week before broadcasting to the world on BBC TV & Radio, the lower voices of King's Choir, *The King's Men*, are coming to Pembrokeshire for the first time to *Sing Christmas!* – a special mix of Carols and nostalgic Christmas 'evergreen' songs in glorious close harmonies.

Pembrokeshire based professional musician, Quentin Poole, who was guest castaway on BBC's *Desert Island Discs* on Boxing Day 1970 when he was Head Chorister of this world famous choir, is hosting and bringing his choir to St David's Tabernacle, Cross Square on **Wednesday December 18th** at 7.30pm, just six days before the choir broadcasts live to the world on Christmas Eve, as they have done annually since 1928.

Seats for this very special Festive Performance are £25 each, payable by *cash only* at the door, which opens at 7pm, when you can choose your seat

However, it is strongly advised to book and reserve seats in advance, as demand will be high and a sell out is expected for such a rare visit from this world famous choir.

To guarantee admission, simply email [davidsonsmusic2020@gmail.com](mailto:davidsonsmusic2020@gmail.com) to book seats.



# ST DAVIDS COMMUNITY GARDEN

**A COMMUNITY GARDEN OPEN TO EVERYONE!**

*Where is it?*

Half way along Cathedral Close, next to the Canonry, St Davids, SA62 6PE

Visit anytime to relax & enjoy the space or pop along to a volunteering session

- Saturday 21st Sept 10am - 12pm
- Wednesday 25th Sept 10am - 12pm
- Saturday 5th Oct 10am - 12pm
- Wednesday 9th Oct 10am - 12pm
- Saturday 19th Oct 10am - 12pm
- Wednesday 23rd Oct 10am - 12pm
- Saturday 2nd Nov 10am - 12pm
- Wednesday 13th Nov 10am - 12pm
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**Join St Davids Lifeboat Fundraisers**

**For a fun evening of bingo with great prizes**

**Wednesday 4th December**

**Eyes Down at 6.30pm**

**@ St Davids City Hall**

Win cheese boards, vouchers, wine, chocolates, hampers and more !!  
Raffle, refreshments, mulled wine



# Christmas Lights Competition



Independent judging of houses and businesses in St Davids that have been decorated festively will take place on

**Friday 20th December 2024**

Winners will be personally notified by the Mayor of St Davids and the results will be made available thereafter.

St Davids City Council  
Cyngor Dinas Tyddewi



# SENIOR CITIZENS CHRISTMAS LUNCH

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2024  
at 11.45am in the City Hall.

Residents wishing to book a lunch MUST obtain a ticket from **Siop y Bobl**.

*Only senior citizens (over 65s) resident in St Davids may apply.*

Clerk to the Council, City Hall, High Street, Pembrokeshire SA62 6SD  
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## Peninsula Practice / Meddygfa Penrhyn

### Opening Hours:

Phone lines are open 8.00am – 6.30pm. Main Surgery line is: 01437 721306. We are closed at weekends and Bank Holidays. When we are closed, emergency cover is available by phoning NHS 111 to access the Out of Hours Service. For anything life-threatening, patients are to dial 999.



**Building works** – Over the next few weeks you may see Contractors carrying out maintenance work inside and outside of the Surgery. We will endeavour to keep disruption to a minimum, please bear with us whilst we carry out this necessary work.

**NHS APP** – We are changing from using My Health On-line to the NHS Wales APP. Patients can access services such as ordering repeat prescriptions and booking some appointments, by logging into: <https://app.nhs.wales/>

To access the NHS Wales APP services, you must:

- be registered with a GP practice in Wales
- have a fully verified NHS login
- be aged 16 or over

**Repeat Prescription requests** – Please contact the Surgery to order your prescription 7-10 days before your medication is required. Order your prescription online via the NHS APP or post your repeat slip directly to the surgery. You can also nominate your preferred pharmacy and ask the surgery to send your prescription to one of the Pharmacies that has a collection service from Solva.

**Flu Vaccination** – Our flu clinics are open! Please ring the surgery to book an appointment. Eligibility for the 2024 to 2025 this autumn and winter, as part of our winter respiratory vaccination programme include:

- children aged two and three years on 31 August 2024
- people aged 6 months to 64 years in a clinical risk group
- people aged 65 years and older (age on 31 March 2025)
- pregnant women
- Registered carers of a person whose health or welfare may be at risk if the carer falls ill
- frontline health and care workers
- people experiencing homelessness
- household contacts of the immunocompromised



If you are an adult in a risk group, are pregnant, or are aged 65 or over, you can get your flu vaccine here at the Surgery.

**Children's flu (nasal) vaccination** – If you have yet to book your child in, please contact the surgery to make an appointment.

**COVID Booster Vaccination campaign** – We continue to

vaccinate eligible patients. This vaccination can be given at the same time as your flu vaccination. Eligibility for 2024 to 2025 this autumn and winter includes:-

- \*People aged 6 months to 64 years with a long-term health condition (which includes pregnant women and people with a weakened immune system)
- Residents in a care home for older adults
- People aged 65 years and older (age on 31 March 2025)
- Unpaid carers
- Frontline health and social care workers
- Staff working in care homes for older adults

\*Please check with our reception team if you're unsure or you can visit the Public Health website: <https://phw.nhs.wales> for further information.



## Connecting our Community

Solva Care is a community based charity focusing on volunteer social support. Solva Care aims to maintain and improve health and wellbeing, enabling people to stay in their own homes and to combat loneliness, isolation and social disadvantage.

If you think that Solva Care might be helpful to you or others please see our website [www.solvacare.co.uk](http://www.solvacare.co.uk) for further information, or contact Lena Dixon, Co-ordinator on 07805 717556. Or email [solvacare@solva.gov.wales](mailto:solvacare@solva.gov.wales)

Solva Care are offering warm rooms on Tuesdays 2pm-4pm in Solva Football Community hub. Come and join us for a hot drink, company and a classic film!



### MERCHED Y WAWR - CANGEN BRO DDEWI

Hyfryd oedd gweld pob aelod yn bresennol yn Ffestri Seion Mis Hydref i glywed darlith ddiddorol a manwl gan Boyd Williams am hanes y Celtiaid. Diolch iddo am ei gyfraniad.

Bu sawl aelod yng nghaffi'r Felin ar brynhawn o Hydref gan ymuno i ddiolch i Nan George am ei gwaith dibynadwy a'i ffyddlondeb diffuant fel ysgrifennydd y Gangen am 38 o flynyddoedd. Cyflwynwyd flodau trawiadol iddi yn o gystal a thaleb i'w wario gyda'i gwr, John, sydd wedi ei chefnogi mor ddifffael yn ystod cyfnod ei swydd. Cytunodd Pearl Kaill dderbyn yr her o lenwi'r swydd prysur am y tro gyda chefnogaeth yr aelodau eraill.





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ST DAVIDS CATHEDRAL

## St Davids Cathedral from Advent to Epiphany

30<sup>th</sup> November: 10am to 4pm Christmas Fayre: Around 40 local makers and crafts people will have stalls in the Cathedral. Mulled wine, welsh cakes and more at MamGu in the Refectory!

1<sup>st</sup> December: 11am: Christingle Service; 6pm Advent Procession

14<sup>th</sup> December: 7pm: A Christmas Spectacular! Join the Cathedral Choir and Vox Angelica for an evening of festive fun and cheer

20<sup>th</sup> December to 5<sup>th</sup> January: Angel Trail – an interactive trail through the illuminated Cathedral Close

22<sup>nd</sup> December: 11am: Scratch Nativity – come dressed in your best Christmas story outfit and join in – suitable for all ages

22<sup>nd</sup> December: 7pm: A Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols. No tickets required, but first come, first served with doors opening at 5.45pm

24<sup>th</sup> December: 4pm: Carols Round the Crib

24<sup>th</sup> December: 11pm: Midnight Mass, led by Bishop Dorrien

25<sup>th</sup> December: 10.30am Family Choral Eucharist

26<sup>th</sup> December: 10am to 4pm: Follow the Star – a Nativity Treasure Hunt round the Cathedral for all the family

1<sup>st</sup> January: 2pm John S Davies New Years Day Concert (go to [www.johnsdaviessingers.co.uk](http://www.johnsdaviessingers.co.uk) for ticket details)

12<sup>th</sup> January: 6pm: The Epiphany Procession

Please see our website [www.stdavidscathedral.org.uk](http://www.stdavidscathedral.org.uk) for details of all our regular services



The Solva Harbour Society Ltd AGM is arranged for Saturday 7th December commencing at 10am at The Ship Inn. All Members should by now have received their calling papers/Agenda which includes elections for committee, votes on rules and bylaws changes, open forum discussion for member questions - hopefully an informative event rather than just dealing with the legal necessities - all members warmly invited to attend.

The toilets on Trinity Quay are closed until further notice.

SHS members displaying a parking permit are permitted to park on the Quays. No public parking permitted at any time. The Trinity Quay and Sand Quay are monitored by 24 hour CCTV.

SHS members are reminded to secure their vessels and kayaks against adverse winter weather. All sails must be removed. Outboard motors and electronic equipment should be removed and secured.

We look forward to next Season. Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

## St Davids Waste Recycling Centre Update

Myself, County Councillor Mark Carter and St Davids County Councillor Bethan Price, St Davids City Councillor Sam Minas & City Clerk Simon Mann have worked tirelessly to save the St David's civic amenity site from closure.

After the November 12th meeting PCC Scrutiny Committee Members voted in favour of keeping the site open with reduced services; this decision will now go to Cabinet for full approval but this potentially means that the site will remain open but reducing one of the summer days opening times, so effectively it'll be two days a week all year round. The Cabinet will meet in December to vote on the decision and we're hopeful they will keep the site open.

Thank you to all residents who've sent letters of support to maintain this vital service, diolch yn fawr lawn.

**Richard Davies - Solva Community Councillor**



## MENEVIA WI

November's meeting will be the annual meeting for nominations for the committee. Our President Eleri Davies is due to step down and a new president will be voted on. Chris Williams our treasurer is also stepping down after serving many years as a treasurer, a new treasurer will also be appointed. The evening will combine a formal WI business meeting with a social evening afterwards.

The craft group are busy making items to decorate our tree entry for the St Davids annual Christmas tree competition which is held on 28<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> November. The walking group are planning to hold a Christmas Walk before the end of the year, which will also include tea and cake. The gardening group have finished clearing and planting the tubs on The Cross Square, hopefully in the Spring the tubs will be



St Davids Rugby Club  
Saturday 21<sup>st</sup>  
December  
10am - 2pm

Local food and crafts,  
hot takeaway food,  
mulled wine & cider,  
along with music.

looking very colourful. The group are also hoping to plant hundreds of daffodil bulbs in 'Malcolm's Field' on Glasfryn Lane as soon as the weather permits.

Our year will end with a Christmas dinner at St Davids Cross Hotel where members will enjoy a 2/3 course dinner, followed by amusing party games. A collection will be made in lieu of Christmas cards and members will have the opportunity to nominate a local charity which will be drawn at the dinner.

We wish you all a Merry Christmas from Menevia WI. New members are also welcome to come along. We have a packed programme of events for the New Year. Contact our current President Eleri Davies on 07791903221 or email [meneviawi@gmail.com](mailto:meneviawi@gmail.com) . You can also find us on Facebook – Menevia WI



## 54 years of Susan's Hairdressers in St Davids

Susan's has been one of the rare businesses to have kept going so long through the various financial challenges including the pandemic and survived, it's longevity a testament to the blood sweat and tears that have gone into the running of it, and Susan's commitment to it. Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> November was Susan's last day and the end of an era in St Davids.

She had a wonderful turnout of customers and well-wishers calling in all week, but on Saturday the people who came into the salon were a special tribute to her dedication in providing a hairdressing service in the community for all these years. The Mayor and members of the City Council presented her with flowers, joined by First Minister Eluned Morgan and her mother, together with many families and friends who gathered to wish her well. She and Alison were quite overwhelmed with all the gifts that they received.

Susan left school to become an apprentice hairdresser with Mrs Cooke and eventually took over running the business herself. She has employed local staff, worked above and beyond the normal salon hours (including Christmas Day) to go to customers who have been too poorly, in hospital or unable to come in. She has been a counsellor, a confidante a shoulder to cry on, and a listening ear - together with that sense of humour which brought so much laughter to the salon - you will all know what she has done for you over the years so we want to say thank you Sue and all the best to you for the future.



## EDGE X

**25th, 26th and 27th July 2025 in Solva, Pembrokeshire, Wales**

In 2025 we will celebrate 10 years since the first Edge Festival in 2015.....Edge X.

We invite you to immerse yourself in a three-day festival celebrating arts, music, food, literature, and the outdoors. Located on the 'Edge,' with a scenic backdrop of the sea and the Pembrokeshire Coast Path, in the beautiful village of Solva. Enjoy live performances by bands, poets, singers, and speakers, complemented by craft beers, local ciders, great food, a bar, a bouncy castle, kids' activities, and more.

Edge Festival Tickets, ideal for Christmas presents, will be available for purchase from early December. Keep an eye on our social media accounts on Facebook and Instagram for announcements. The Festival Committee is delighted to confirm we have been able to hold ticket prices at 2024 rates. Stay updated on ticket prices by visiting our website at [edgefestival.co.uk/buy-tickets](http://edgefestival.co.uk/buy-tickets) Local residents can secure tickets directly from Helen Thomas at 07432 648596, avoiding booking fees.

With headline bands secured for Edge X, we look forward to an exciting weekend. To kick off Edge X preparations, the first committee meeting will be held at The Hats and Barrels on Tuesday, 7th January 2025, at 7 pm. Longstanding and new committee members are welcome to join us in shaping the upcoming festival.

Attend the meeting or contact [info@edgefestival.co.uk](mailto:info@edgefestival.co.uk) for more information.



## SOLVA FIREWORKS

On Friday 1st November Solva Community Council held its annual fireworks display in perfect weather conditions. As usual the display was funded by the bucket collection and donations from local businesses and traders on the night that was collected last year.

It started off with the lighting of the bonfire followed at 5.45 with a low noise display that lasted for 10 minutes, which was enjoyed by many children and adults alike. A break of an hour then took place before the main display during which the substantial crowd enjoyed burgers, cheesecake, ice cream and cider from local traders. The local pubs were overflowing with probably several thousand people enjoying a great atmosphere and it is great to see the event supporting local businesses. The main event took place at 7pm with background music from a professional sound system.

There was a huge array of fantastic fireworks that lasted 25 mins that has been said to be the longest and possibly the best display in Pembrokeshire.

The event was helped by the great weather and a high tide that gave great reflections and photo opportunities. The bucket collection and donations from businesses has given a 40% increase over last year (£4500 collected) thus ensuring another great display next year.

Solva CC is very grateful to all those families and businesses who donated and those who helped with the display and bucket collections. The provisional date for next year is Saturday 1st November 2025. If your business would like to sponsor part of the 2025 fireworks event, please email [alysia.solva@gmail.com](mailto:alysia.solva@gmail.com)

## Cheaper than the Ferry!

Recently experienced sailor Chris Ellery from Bristol made the news in Pembrokeshire when he set off in his inflatable boat from the Parrog at Goodwick for a day photographing wildlife. He left on the afternoon of October 30<sup>th</sup>, and then nothing more was heard from him, leading to increasingly worried and frantic messages on social media from his family.

Police and the RNLi combed the area and eventually his tent and some personal belongings were found near Carreg Gwasteg point, a cove only accessible by boat. Helicopters joined the search and over a hundred rescue personnel looked for Mr Ellery.

It turned out he had engine trouble and his phone lost power – after 3 days he drifted right across the Irish Sea, landed his boat in County Wicklow and made his way to the nearest Garda station none the worse for wear, to the relief of all involved.





## Solva Community Cinema

You can become a member on the night. It's £5/person for 12 months and it gives you 20% off the ticket price and the use of a cushion!

### Upcoming films

5 Dec The Holdovers (15)

Doors open at 7 pm. Refreshments are available or BYOB. Tickets £5 for adults and £3.50 for under 18's. Become a member for £5/year and get 20% off the ticket price and the use of a free cushion! If you have any film suggestions, please email us at [solvacinema@gmail.com](mailto:solvacinema@gmail.com)

No screening in January, but we'll be back in February!



**GET YER KILTS ON!**

SOLVA MEMORIAL HALL

SAVE THE DATE

**BURNS NIGHT CEILIDH!**

25th JANUARY 2025

Doors open 7.30pm

Licensed Bar

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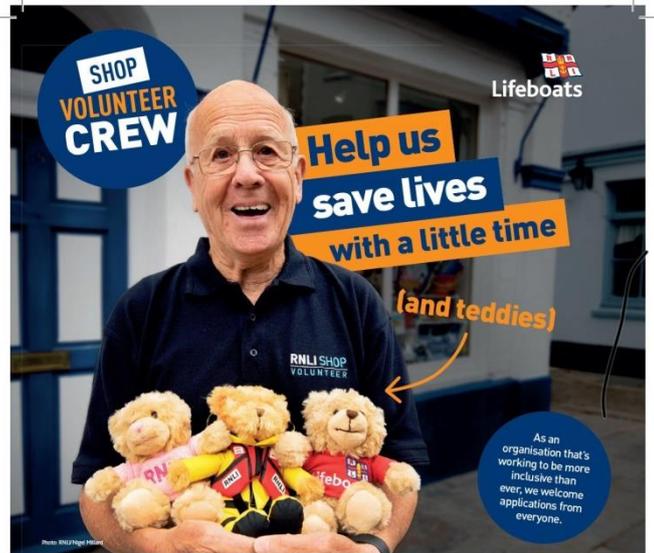


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Winter Opening Times:  
 Monday 9 - 4pm  
 Thursday 9- 4pm  
 Friday 9 - 4pm  
 Saturday 9 - 4pm  
 Sunday 9 - 4pm

### Festive Wreath Making Workshops at the Print House Cafe:

6th Dec, 13th Dec. 6pm for mulled wine, mince pies and seasonal sweet and savoury treats. Guided Workshop starts at 7pm for 2.5 hours with florist Rob Palmer. Booking is required as spaces are limited per workshop.



Our shop in **St Davids Lifeboat Station** is having a recruitment day on the **18th January 2025 from 9am**, and the lifeboat will launch on exercise at 9:30am. So if you think you'd like to volunteer come down and see us.

**Will you join our lifesaving shop crew?**  
 Apply now at [RNLi.org/ShopVolunteer](http://RNLi.org/ShopVolunteer)

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Dec 12th Community Carols and Seasonal Songs with Fishguard Singers.  
 7.30pm start, all welcome. Collection.

## THE OLD SCOUT HUT ST DAVIDS

### WHATS ON WEEKLY

**MONDAY** Life Drawing 7-9pm

**TUESDAY** People's Shed & Knit&Natter 10am-12  
 Pilates 5.30-6.30 + 6.30-7.30

**WEDNESDAY** -

**THURSDAY** 5.30-6.30 Kid's Dance 5-8yrs old  
 Pilates 6.30-7.30

**FRIDAY** Stitchy Witches 10am-12

**SATURDAY** -

**SUNDAY** Y Groesfan Church 4.30-5.30

### BOOKINGS

To attend one of these activities or book the hall for a one off private or public event/activity

**Contact Becky**  
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TALK TO BECKY ABOUT VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITIES WITH ST DAVIDS BEFRIENDERS AND THE PEOPLE'S SHED AT THE SCOUT HUT

## MONDAY WALKS from ORIEL Y PARC

Come and join our friendly group on a gentle stroll in good company, followed by a coffee and chat, as part of West Wales Walking for Wellbeing. Walks start from Oriel y Parc Visitor Centre at 13.45 and are up to an hour in length. You can walk at your own pace and even if you consider yourself less mobile or not used to a lot of physical activity you will be welcomed.

We hope that you would like to join us. Please get in touch with Amber Manning, 07483 377414, email [amberm@pembrokeshirecoast.org.uk](mailto:amberm@pembrokeshirecoast.org.uk), or Ellie Sherwin mobile 07788583630



### St Davids City Hall

The City Hall is located at the heart of St Davids and offers a range of facilities for arts, sport, exhibitions, sales, community events and meetings.

For bookings and enquires please contact:

Mrs Katie Bolger on 07821656233 or e-mail [hallmanager@stdavids.gov.uk](mailto:hallmanager@stdavids.gov.uk)



### CLWB SOLFACH/SOLVA LUNCHEON CLUB

Lunch Club for this term will continue until 18th December. The members & helpers will be out enjoying a Christmas Lunch that day!

We will be back in Solva Memorial Hall from 12.30pm every Wednesday, starting again on January 8th. We would happily cater for more, so please consider joining if you are over 60 or disabled.

*Please contact Jane Pascoe on 01437 721544 if you think you would like to join.*



Coffee & Chat

## St Davids City Council

Wednesdays 10.00am – 12noon at the Drop In Centre, City Hall, St Davids

All welcome to attend **Free of charge**

S Mann - Clerk to the Council, City Hall, High Street, Haverfordwest,

Pembrokeshire SA62 6SD [clerk@stdavids.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@stdavids.gov.uk)

Tel 01437 721137



# Coastal Voices: Seeking local participants!

## Take part

Share **your views on St Davids' coast, sea and seaweed farming** in the *Coastal Voices* project with researcher Maria Wilke from the Scottish Association of Marine Science (SAMS).

### Our research: *Coastal Voices*

We're gathering a wide range of voices to create a short documentary film that reflects community perspectives on the marine environment and sustainable seaweed farming. We will screen the film in St Davids in September 2025 and invite you for a discussion workshop.

### Your views matter



Interviews:  
25th Nov–6th Dec 2024  
& 24th Mar–4th Apr 2025



Location of your choice



45min - 1h  
**filmed interview**



### Partners and Funding

This research is part of the larger project *Unlocking the Power of Seaweed: Scaling up Seaweed Farming in the UK* focussing on finding **community-based solutions** for **sustainable seaweed farming** and **climate action**. Our partners are **WWF Cymru**, **PEBL** (Plant Ecology beyond Land, a seaweed and environmental monitoring company) and **Câr-y-Môr**. The project is funded by the **National Lottery Climate Action Fund**.



### Get in touch

To participate, contact us to schedule a time or learn more:



[maria.wilke@sams.ac.uk](mailto:maria.wilke@sams.ac.uk)

Dr Maria Wilke





## St Davids Policing Team - Drop In Surgery

Members of Dyfed Powys Police will be running a monthly Drop In Surgery on the first Thursday of each month from 10.30am - 12 noon in the Youth Drop-In Centre (entrance via Bryn Road). This is an opportunity for local residents to bring any matter to the attention of the Police. No appointments necessary.

Next Surgery - Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December

Please contact the Clerk on 01437 721 137 or [clerk@stdavids.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@stdavids.gov.uk) for more information

St Davids City Council, City Hall, High Street, St Davids, Pembrokeshire SA62 6SD



## FRIENDS OF SOLVA CARE

We have launched a new scheme for people to regularly support our charity if they would like to. You can become a Friend of Solva Care by donating monthly or annually via a standing order from your bank account. Any amount would be much appreciated to help ensure Solva Care can continue to be here for all the people we support.



If you have online banking, there will be an option marked 'Standing Orders' within your account to enable you to set up a standing order to Solva Care.

You will need our bank details which are:

- Account Name: Solva Care
- Sort Code: 30-93-98
- Account No: 75641460

If you do not have online banking you will need to pop into your bank to set up the standing order.

If you need further information please contact Bruce Payne

*brucepayne241@gmail.com*

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Registration from **11.00am**  
**SWIM AT 12PM**



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 Join us for Cawl and Les's Quiz at the Farmers Arms St Davids  
 Followed by Live Music donations on the door.

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## Speak to your Community Banker



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[Rachael.jenkins@pembrokeshire.gov.uk](mailto:Rachael.jenkins@pembrokeshire.gov.uk)

## Defibrillators in Solva



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**Bay View Stores**  
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**Lower Solva Car Park – Harbour Inn**  
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**Trinity Quay**  
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**SOLVA  
CARE**

## Friday Club

2-4pm at the Community Clubhouse, Solva AFC. All Welcome!

*Yoga, Qigong or mindful movement, plus music, craft, games, talks, quizzes, outings etc, plus tea, coffee and cake in a warm and welcoming space!*

- 🚦 Dec 6<sup>th</sup> – Mindful Movement with Judy, Craft with Debbie
- 🚦 Dec 13<sup>th</sup> – Ukelele Pirates (full session)
- 🚦 Dec 20<sup>th</sup> – Mindful Movement with Judy, St Davids Handbells

Friday Club has a break over the Christmas/New Year holiday and resumes on Jan 10<sup>th</sup> 2024



## Surviving Christmas without Chiropractic

Some valuable tips to get you through the festive season from Solva chiropractor Patrick:

### **KEEP MOVING**

It's easy to get super busy and decide to leave exercise until the New Year BUT will have the benefit of reducing anxiety and even mild depression whilst boost esteem. ALL VERY VALUABLE AT THIS TIME OF YEAR



### **ENJOY EATING**

Go for lower fat, higher protein snacks such as nuts rather than mince pies. Save the mince pies for Santa and keep yourself fuller for longer with protein not fat!



### **DRINK IN MODERATION**

We all like a little tittle especially at Christmas time but make sure you pace yourself and drink in moderation. Don't risk injury to yourself or others....think ahead and book a taxi!



### **REDUCE STRESS**

Rushing around to get everything done can trigger tension headache. The key is to drink plenty of water, as dehydration can make symptoms worse. Do the lip test- if you lick your lips and they feel dry? Have a glass of water.



### **REST! REST! REST!**

The body doesn't really distinguish between physical stress (such as lack of sleep) and emotional stress (such as work, relationships and negative emotions). Remember when you can to let your body rest.



### **HAVE FUN....**

Smiling and laughing reduce the level of stress hormones. Laughter increases the number of anti-bodies resulting in a stronger immune system.



So have fun, your body will thank you for it.

[www.solvachiropractic.co.uk](http://www.solvachiropractic.co.uk)



### **Solva Senior Citizens Christmas Lunch**

**Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> December in  
the Memorial Hall, Solva**

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Contact Delfryn Creative for more information or to book a space. Email: [info@delfryncreative.co.uk](mailto:info@delfryncreative.co.uk)

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MEETING ROOM		
<i>Upstairs private room...</i>	£10.00	£2.50

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## Shalom House Day Centre

*Shalom House supports the people of Pembrokeshire, providing holistic, accessible, personalised care for those who have been diagnosed with cancer and other life limiting illnesses, such as MND, Parkinson's and COPD. We are here to support people through a difficult time and to help provide a better quality of life.*

### Shalom House News

We are holding our annual Christmas Raffle for Shalom House. We have some amazing prizes, including one night's B&B at the wonderful Penrhiw Hotel in St Davids. Tickets available in both our shops and online, contact us for more details.

Join us for our Christmas quiz at The City Inn, St Davids, on 10th December from 7pm. Great event for all the family.

Why not join our 100 Plus club? From just £3 per month you could win a cash prize. Contact Sam for more details.

We are looking for volunteers for both our shops if anyone is interested in sparing a few hours. We are also looking for volunteer drivers to help bring attendees to and from Shalom House.

*If you are interested get in touch with Sam on 01437 721 344.*



Solva Shopping Evening is confirmed for Thursday 5th December, with the retail element being 5pm-7pm throughout the Lower Village, and entertainment continuing throughout the evening. There will be mulled wine, special offers and plenty of festive treats and inspiration. The event is being coordinated with the help of Solva Community Council, who will be arranging a Treasure Hunt and holding a fabulous raffle. Even more exciting, SCC know how to make contact with **Father Christmas**, so he'll be there too!

### St Davids Library

#### Opening Times

Tuesdays and Thursdays from  
10.00am - 5.00pm

\*(Closed 1.00pm - 2.00pm)\*

Saturdays from 10.00am – 12noon

### Siop Y Bobol

#### Opening Times

Monday – Friday from 10.00am –  
1.00pm

Saturdays 11.00am – 2.00pm

## **\*The former Scout Hall in St Davids is to be saved for the community! \***

The former Scout Hall in St Davids is to be saved for the community! St Davids City Councillors have voted that the City Council shall take over the much loved St Davids Scout Hut. This is to be made possible by a Community Asset Transfer of the land it is sited on, from Pembrokeshire County Council, for zero rent, for 125 years. In turn the Scouting Association has pledged to gift the building to the community, into the guardianship of the City Council. This has been a long time in the planning and was proposed by The St Davids Befrienders when they set up a men's (and subsequent a people's) shed in the building. Recently the Befrienders group secured a grant from PAVS, funded from the government through the Shared Prosperity Fund. The grant aptly named 'Doing the small things' echoing the words of St David, has helped to engage the community by having events and workshops to help boost the use of the building and grow volunteer support.

City Councillor Becky Lloyd said 'The building has gone from strength to strength and community use has more than tripled from just 6 hrs per week! Volunteers have worked so hard, clearing, fixing and painting and local businesses have provided free services and donations. Everyone has pulled together and theres now such a buzz about the building. New life has been breathed into the hall with things like Pilates classes, life-drawing, band practices, women's joinery classes and private party bookings! The summer BBQ event and raffle was great as the sun even shone and we had lots of local stakeholders supporting it like ATEB and PCC Housing. St Davids City Council sponsored a Children's Circus Workshop and the Penknife Club free ice creams for local children on the surrounding estates. A name your building exercise was started at the event, and continued online on social media, where the winning name was announced as 'Ty Pawb'.

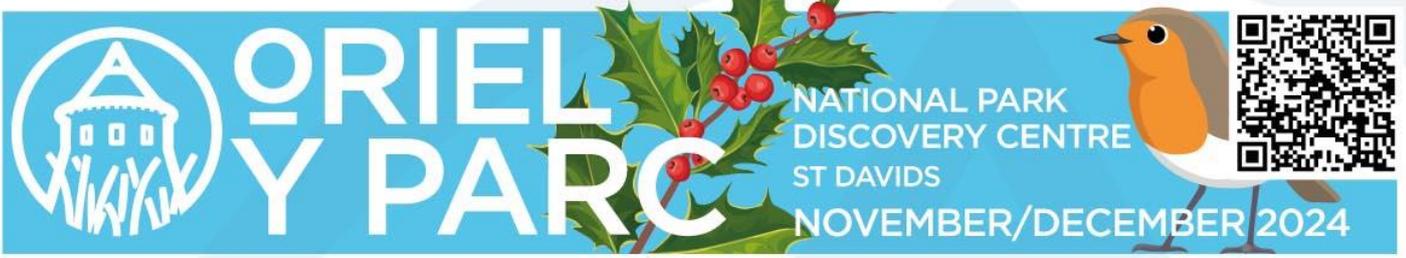
A new group is being formed as a management group to lease the building from the City Council going forward. If anyone feels they have skills that could benefit this group please get in touch with Becky on 07788633719 about joining. The building has lots of things going on and also availability for bookings too. A huge fundraising effort has raised over £3,500 which is going towards a new heating boiler.

The fund is still taking donations and can be found here:

**[gofund.me/09c131eb](https://gofund.me/09c131eb)**

*St Davids Scout Hut in Ffynnon Wen was built in 1992, funded by the community after a 'Buy a Brick Build a Hut' campaign and a lot of goodwill from locals and tradespeople.*





**AMGUEDDFA CYMRU GALLERY**



**Courage and Community  
– RNLI 200 Cymru**  
Saturday 29 June 2024  
– Sunday 1 June 2025

In 2024 we celebrate 200 years of the Royal National Lifeboat Institution, the charity dedicated to saving lives at sea. There are six lifeboat stations and 13 RNLI lifeguarded beaches along Pembrokeshire's beautiful but hazardous coastline. Be inspired by the stories of ordinary people doing extraordinary things, with games and activities for the whole family.

**Events**



**Letter to Santa**  
North Pole post box arrives at Oriely Parc!

A magical delivery appears each winter to collect your messages to Santa. Write your festive wishes in a letter and drop it into the special post box. Be sure to remember to visit again, after three days, to pick up Santa's reply and a surprise from the elves' workshop.  
**Free Post Office open Saturday 23 November – Thursday 19 December.**



**Discovery Room Windows**

**Rustic Revolution**

Wednesday 2 October  
– Saturday 16 November

The couple have been creating distinctive pieces of rustic furniture, sculptures and felt artwork since 2003, using local organic wool and wood. The natural forms of the local organic wood and wool they use determines the result – a happy occurrence for them as they don't do straight lines.



**Sharing my love of colour**  
by Joy Dixon

Tuesday 19 November –  
Tuesday 7 January

Joy's prints and embroideries often reflect the colours and images of the coast and countryside near her Pembrokeshire home. Hand printed backgrounds are combined with free-motion machine embroidery and hand stitching to enhance her designs.

**St Davids Room**



**The Peace by Piece**  
by Value Independence

Friday 8 November – Thursday 19 December

A collective art exhibition by individuals with learning disabilities and their carers who find solace in art as a testament to the transformative power of creativity. This exhibition illuminates the creative process, the challenges they've overcome, and the joy found in self-expression.

**Winter Festive Trail**

Saturday 23 November – Friday 20 December  
£4 per child

Join us for a magical family experience filled with wintry nature scenes and hidden surprises! Explore the festive trail and watch the children's faces light up as they discover their own special gift at the end of the adventure. Make sure to catch this new festive experience.

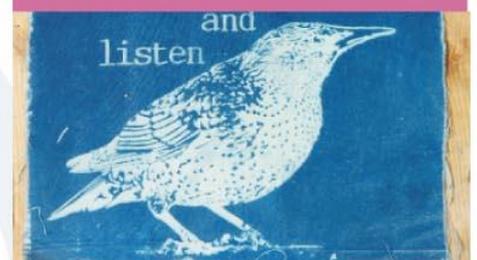


**Christmas Market**

Saturday 7 December, 10am–3pm  
Free entry & parking

Soak up the festive atmosphere and begin your Christmas shopping. With local craft and food stalls and festive food on offer in our café, it's the perfect way to get into the Christmas spirit.

**Tower**



**The Murmuration of Words** by Bean Sawyer

Fri day 25 October – Wednesday 18 December

The Murmuration of Words is a postal poetry project started by artist and writer, Bean Sawyer in January 2023. The collaborative poems are written by many voices travelling many miles.

**Closed Tuesday 24 December 2024 –  
Wednesday 1 January 2025.**

**CONTACT US**  
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## 31<sup>st</sup> December New Year's Eve Celebration in St Davids City Hall

Step into 2025 with Uearthed Festival's first NYE celebration! Dance the night away with the infectious rhythms of Los Pulpos, groove to the soulful sounds of Honey Fungus, and let DJ Uncle Funk keep the party alive until the early hours! It's time to gather, celebrate the close of 2024, and the beginning of a powerful year ahead. Let's make this New Year's Eve one to remember!

Tickets are £27 available online at [unearthedfestival.co.uk](http://unearthedfestival.co.uk)



Solva Treasure Hunt will be on New Year's Day, starting at Bay View Stores at 10:30am and finishing at the Hats and Barrels by 2pm

## Poetry & Book Launch with Ifor Thomas and Patrick Nash

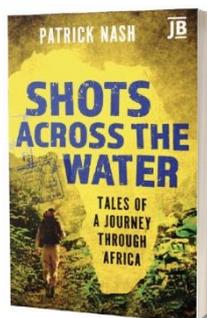
Thursday, December 12<sup>th</sup>, 6.30pm to 8pm, Twr y Felin, Free event.

Aged 22, Patrick set off on a journey walking and hitchhiking on an extraordinary and often dangerous trip across north and central Africa. He encountered famine, drought, a refugee crisis, a military coup, imprisonment, illness and was shot at by border guards. *Shots across the Water* is his story.

Ifor is a poet and short story writer. He will start the evening by reading some of his poetry and will then interview Patrick about his new book.

Reserve your place here:

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**Contact 07952 201813 to hire. Also available for parties, craft classes, music etc. Garden also available.**

**Monday** - Available for hire

### **Tuesday**

10am-11.15am Tai Chi with Judy Schunemann. Contact No.07890 647338

6.30pm-7.30pm Vinyasa Yoga. Contact Sophie at

<https://www.theflyingfitfoodie.com/classes>

### **Wednesday**

9.30am & 10.45am Pilates with Christine. Pilates for strength, flexibility and functionality. Contact Christine Higgins

6.30pm till 7.30pm. Slow Flow Yoga with As You Are Yoga & Wellbeing. Contact Abbie on 07817851853 or [www.asyouarewellbeing.co.uk](http://www.asyouarewellbeing.co.uk)

**Thursday** - Available for hire

**Friday** - Available for hire

### **Saturday**

9am-9.30am

My Journey Weight Loss class

### **Sunday**

11am until 12. Cyfarfod Crynwyr Tyddewi/ St David's Quaker Meeting. Sunday

Contact Nia Harries 01348 872002.

## SOLVA WI

At our meeting held on Thursday 10th October, in Solva Memorial Hall, we were pleased to welcome a favourite speaker, Julian Cremona who described and showed us varied and wonderful shots of New Zealand.

Our meeting followed which included arrangements for the Annual Meeting which is on November 14th and is preceded by a soup lunch. It is hoped that we might gain one or two more committee members!

Decorating a window at WI House in Haverfordwest was discussed. Our Christmas meal is to be at 'Hats & Barrels' in Solva – menu to follow. Items from the Pembrokeshire Federation Newsletter were also discussed.

The Book Group will meet on October 18th and the Walking Group on most Monday afternoons.

Due to the building work being carried out on the Surgery, we have had to remove the model of a farmhouse kitchen which was all handmade by members many years ago! If anyone can think of a good home for it

Please contact Jane Pascoe 01437 721544.

# REGULAR EVENTS – DECEMBER 2024

## DYDD LLUN – MONDAY

St David's & Solva Art Group in Solva Clubhouse 10am – 1pm

St David's Day Centre for the Elderly in St Davids Memorial Hall 2 – 4pm Contact Kay Kimber 07791352349 or Bethan Price 07767398924

## DYDD MAWRTH – TUESDAY

Parent & Toddler Group in the Drop-In Centre, back of St David's City Hall 10am – 12pm (term time). Phone Bethan Price 07767398924

St David's Library in the City Hall, 10am – 5pm (closed 1-2pm)

St David's & Solva People's Shed in Solva Clubhouse 10am – 2pm

Friends in Harmony Choir meet in Haverfordwest 7.30pm. Car shares available from Solva & St Davids – Contact Sylvia 01437 720228

## DYDD MERCHER – WEDNESDAY

Luncheon Club in Solva Memorial Hall 12.30pm

Coffee & Chat in the Drop-In Centre, St David's City Hall 10am – 12pm

Playgroup in Solva Clubhouse 9.30am – 11.30am

Early Bird Social Gamers at Smorgasbord, St David's 11am – 3pm

Dai Ball's Quiz 8pm in The Ship, Solva

Tower bell ringing practice, St Davids Cathedral 2.45-4pm

## DYDD IAU – THURSDAY

St David's Library in the City Hall, 10am-5pm (closed 1-2pm)

Coffee Morning and Mini Lending Library in Solva Memorial Hall 10.30am – 12pm

Brushstrokes Art Group 1.30pm – 4pm in Solva Clubhouse (term time)

Open Mic at the Harbour Inn 8pm

## DYDD GWENER – FRIDAY

Friday Club in Solva Clubhouse 2pm – 4pm

Social Gaming Session in Smorgasbord, St David's 6.30pm – 10.30pm

## DYDD SADWRN – SATURDAY

My Journey Weight Loss Group in Ty Curtis Hall, St David's 9am

St David's Library in the City Hall, 10am – 12pm

Solva & St David's News would like to thank all the dedicated volunteers who help distribute the newsletter in the community, as well as the businesses and councils for their continued support in funding our publication. We truly appreciate all the support received.

Please post your events to our Facebook page – *What's On – St David's & Solva*

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# What's On – December 2024

- ❁ 1<sup>st</sup> – Friends in Harmony Choir at Mathry Church
- ❁ 4<sup>th</sup> – RNLI Bingo in St Davids City Hall 6.30pm
- ❁ 5<sup>th</sup> – Solva Shopping Evening with Santa from 5pm
- ❁ 6<sup>th</sup> - Festive Wreath Making at the Print House Café. 6pm for 7pm
- ❁ 7<sup>th</sup> - Solva Harbour Society Ltd AGM at 10am at The Ship Inn
- ❁ 7<sup>th</sup> – Solva Senior Citizens Lunch in the Memorial Hall
- ❁ 7<sup>th</sup> – Drag Queen at the Harbour Inn, Solva
- ❁ 7<sup>th</sup> – Xmas party evening at the Hats & Barrels with Gold Dust
- ❁ 8<sup>th</sup> – Xmas Wreath Workshop at Grain, St Davids .30-4.30pm
- ❁ 9<sup>th</sup> – Stitch Happens at Smorgasbord, St Davids 6.30-9pm
- ❁ 10<sup>th</sup> – Shalom Xmas Quiz at the City Inn from 7pm
- ❁ 11<sup>th</sup> – Senior Citizens Christmas Lunch in St Davids City Hall
- ❁ 12<sup>th</sup> – St Davids Christmas Market in the Cross Squaare 9-4pm
- ❁ 12<sup>th</sup> – Cuffern Manor Carols 7.30pm
- ❁ 12<sup>th</sup> – Book Launch at Twr Y Felin Hotel 6.30-8pm
- ❁ 13<sup>th</sup> – Xmas party evening at the Hats & Barrels with Ella Guru
- ❁ 13<sup>th</sup> - Festive Wreath Making at the Print House Café. 6pm for 7pm
- ❁ 14<sup>th</sup> – Cocktails for Two in Solva Memorial Hall
- ❁ 15<sup>th</sup> – Xmas Wreath Workshop at Grain, St Davids .30-4.30pm
- ❁ 16<sup>th</sup> – Xmas Enterprise Fayre at Non& Aidan Campus 2-4pm
- ❁ 21<sup>st</sup> – Christmas Market at St Davids Rugby Club, 10-2pm
- ❁ 24<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Carols at the Harbour Inn, Solva
- ❁ 31<sup>st</sup> – New Year's Eve Celebration at St Davids City Hall
- ❁ 31<sup>st</sup> – Muddy Funsters at the Hats & Barrels
- ❁ 31<sup>st</sup> – Hideaway Trio at the Harbour Inn, Solva
- ❁ 1<sup>st</sup> JAN – Solva Treasure Hunt starting at 10.30am at Bay View Stores
- ❁ 1<sup>st</sup> JAN – Ella Guru at the Hats & Barrels
- ❁ 25<sup>th</sup> JAN – Burns Night Ceilidh in Solva Memorial Hall
- ❁ 25-27<sup>th</sup> JULY – Edge Festival, Solva. <https://www.edgefestival.co.uk/>

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