

DOLWYDDELAN'S HISTORIC CAPEL BETHEL

Capel Bethel was proposed as a potential solution, to facilitate the expanding needs of the local community, as identified in the Dolwyddelan Community Survey. Bethel Action Group is a constituted charity, working towards securing the Chapel for this purpose, whilst at the same time preserving Welsh heritage. We hold regular meetings and have been established for 18 months.

Last year, we carried out an internal visual inspection and dimensional survey, to evaluate potential area use. As the photos show, the interior is spectacular. We would like to thank Eurwyn for his kindness, in allowing BAG to access the Chapel, which was greatly appreciated.

Unfortunately, there is some evidence of decay and vandalism, which is difficult to ignore given the prominent position of this historic asset. One of our members has recently volunteered to help make the building safe and protect the interior from the elements.

We have had a positive response to our cause from various organisations, including a letter from Eryri National Park Authority, expressing their support to the plans for community space and housing. A Welsh historic religious buildings organisation has also paid a visit and we are engaging with local groups to ensure we are reflecting the needs, as identified by the Community Survey.

So, what are the next steps? We will be inviting letters of support from local community groups, businesses and traders, we are constructing a modest website (www.bethel-action-group.jimdosite.com) and will continue working to secure and preserve Dolwyddelan's historic treasure.

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