

News on Dolwyddelan's Historic Capel Bethel

Bethel Action Group (BAG) recently sent out numerous questionnaires to companies and individuals that have a direct interest in Dolwyddelan. A fabulous response was received.

Enthusiasm from respondents has been 10 out of 10 and providing this project goes ahead, we have many individuals prepared to volunteer their time to help renovate Bethel and get the place running. New ideas for Bethel's usage have also been provided which include:

- Outdoor activities for disused space behind the chapel.
- The ability to demonstrate Dolwyddelan's history including artifacts to holiday guests and residents alike.
- Tourist information to include maps of local walks and mountain bike tracks.
- Mum's and toddler's group.
- The ability to accommodate larger numbers of people with the added benefits of toilets, hot/cold water etc.
- Educational courses, workshops and demonstrations including evening classes for the local community and further afield.
- Ability to rent/sell space for local artisans to sell their products.
- Daily dog care and other pet services, i.e., grooming.
- Focal point for younger residents of the village (children and teenagers.)
- Friendship groups for those that feel isolated.
- Monthly local product market.
- Book exchange / reading groups.

Capel Bethel's location was significant within the ideas brought forward. Numerous comments have been made regarding the benefit of having a central and visible community hub, easy to access and observe for both visitors and the community, whether on foot or travelling along the A470. This could complement the existing facilities that the Pavilion provides.

If you share our vision, please join us. We are looking for volunteers and donations. Maybe you would like to join us at the next group meeting?

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