

# Community Link

MARCH 2018



## Welcome...

I am delighted to welcome you to my newly designed newsletter. As a public representative, I want to provide residents, visitors, partners and victims of crime with updates about my work.

Many of you will be aware that I recently announced my intention to reduce the number of national commitments that I am engaged with, in order to spend more time focusing on local issues that are important to you. In the coming months, I hope to undertake a number of activities to encourage engagement with you, local partners and stakeholders within the Dyfed-Powys area.

I hope you find this newsletter both accessible and informative. Additional information regarding progress and what the Chief Constable and I have achieved in making Dyfed-Powys a safer area is detailed inside.

Enjoy!

*Dafydd Llywelyn*

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**Police and Crime Commissioner**



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## *This month I...*



hosted a Saint David's Day conference to discuss Mental Health and Policing



appointed a Chief Finance Officer within my office



lobbied local MPs to help keep our emergency workers safe from harm



put final preparations in place for my Charity Cycle Ride

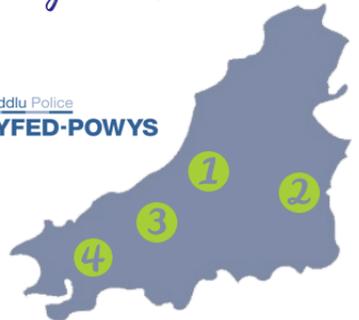


hosted and attended a number of public meetings across the Dyfed-Powys area

## *Upcoming events...*



Heddlu Police  
**DYFED-POWYS**



1 Tregaron

2 Hay-on-Wye

3 Pumsaint

4 Narberth

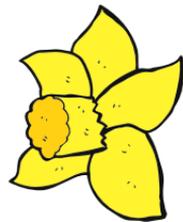
# Saint David's Day Conference

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Despite a gloomy forecast of heavy snow, our annual Saint David's Day conference was a fantastic success. This year's focus was on mental health & policing, and included a variety of speakers; from serving police officers to specialists working within the arena.

During the day we heard from Chief Constable Mark Collins, Professor John Williams, Michael Brown OBE and Tony Herbert. Tony's son, James Herbert died in police custody in Somerset in 2010. Tony gave an impassioned speech of his campaign for social justice since the events that led to James' tragic and avoidable death in 2010.

Chief Constable (CC) Mark Collins (below) is the National Police Chiefs' Council Lead for Mental Health and Policing. 



CC Mark Collins expressed concern over the surge in mental health and welfare related demand to front-line policing, noting that "demand is rising not just in policing but across our whole emergency system and in society as a whole".

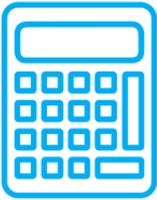


Alongside this, I was delighted and honoured to launch a valuable new NHS service, IAWN.  Developed by Hywel Dda in partnership with West Wales Action for Mental Health, the website provides good quality and easily accessible information to those in need of mental health support in our communities. Partnership working is an approach that is essential to addressing and tackling the issues that lie ahead of us.

The event was well attended, and most importantly, encouraged much needed discussion around mental health provision in the area.

*'Do the little things..'*





## Chief Finance Officer Appointment

The Chief Finance Officer is a statutory role that a Police and Crime Commissioner must appoint. Their duty, as set out in legislation, is to ensure that the financial affairs of the Commissioner are properly administered, having regard to their probity, legality and appropriate standards.

I am delighted to announce that following a thorough recruitment process, which attracted over 20 qualified applicants, Beverley Peatling was successful in attaining the position of Chief Finance Officer. [👉](#)

After qualifying with the Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy in 1993, Beverley brings with her over 25 years of considerable experience, including senior finance roles within local government and policing.

She has a grass roots finance background with expertise across all aspects of financial and management accountancy, medium term strategic financial planning, audit and inspection regimes, corporate governance arrangements, risk management, operational service review, and financial systems implementation and development.



Beverley will play a key role in supporting me and others within the office, ensuring that my strategic objectives are delivered in a sustainable way and in the public interest.



## Assaults on Emergency Workers

This month, I wrote to local Members of Parliament within the Dyfed-Powys area to encourage them to support the upcoming Assaults on Emergency Workers (Offences) Bill.

This is an important initiative which seeks to underline the importance of protecting emergency workers from assault. Emergency workers do their utmost to deliver invaluable services, day in day out no matter the circumstances.

Last year, Dyfed-Powys Police recorded 187 assaults against police officers, of which 48 were serious. This is unacceptable. I stand in solidarity with colleagues and officers, and indeed all blue light emergency workers alike in supporting this Bill.

To view the letter I sent to your local Member of Parliament, click on the letter above. [👉](#)

# Charity Cycle Ride

30/04/2018 - 04/05/2018



As you may be aware from the last instalment of Community Link, I will be embarking on a Charity Cycle Ride to visit every Police Station in Dyfed-Powys in aid of launching Safer Dyfed-Powys Diogel. This is a new charity, of which I am a trustee.

The main objective of the Cycle Ride will be to raise awareness and funds for the Charity, which will in turn be given back to the communities of Dyfed-Powys through various funding avenues that support the key objectives of the Charity.

The purpose of the charity is to support the prevention and reduction of the fear of crime throughout the Dyfed-Powys area through working with community groups, other charities and Dyfed-Powys Police to undertake crime and disorder prevention programmes and projects. Another important intension of the Charity is to support families, individuals and vulnerable groups who have become victims of crime and are affected by crime or the fear of crime. To view in more detail, click on the logo above. [!\[\]\(23d9fc146e83b5c3013cfa32c784f8d5\_img.jpg\)](#)

**Between April 30th and May 4th, my team of volunteering Police Staff and Officers and I will be passing through your area. Why not come out and give us a wave to spur us on along the way?**



**DAY 1**

• HQ Llangunnor • Whitland • Narberth • Saundersfoot • Tenby • Pembroke Dock •  
• Milford Haven • Haverfordwest • St. Davids • Fishguard •



**DAY 2**

• Fishguard • Crymych • Cardigan • Newcastle Emlyn • Llandysul • Lampeter •  
• Aberaeron • Aberystwyth •



**DAY 3**

• Aberystwyth • Machynlleth • Llanfyllin • Welshpool • Newtown • Llanidloes •  
• Rhayader • Llandrindod Wells •



**DAY 4**

• Llandrindod Wells • Presteigne • Builth Wells • Hay-on-Wye • Crickhowell •  
• Brecon •



**DAY 5**

• Brecon • Ystradgynlais • Llandovery • Llandeilo • Ammanford • Cross Hands •  
Llwynhendy • Llanelli • Burry Port • Kidwelly • HQ Llangunnor •

# The Route...



There are a total of 41 police stations dotted in the Dyfed-Powys area. To view local news and events, click on the bicycles on the map below.

## DAY 1



Police HQ to Fishguard  
91 miles

## DAY 2



Fishguard to Aberystwyth  
90 miles

## DAY 3



Aberystwyth to Llandrindod  
118 miles

## DAY 4

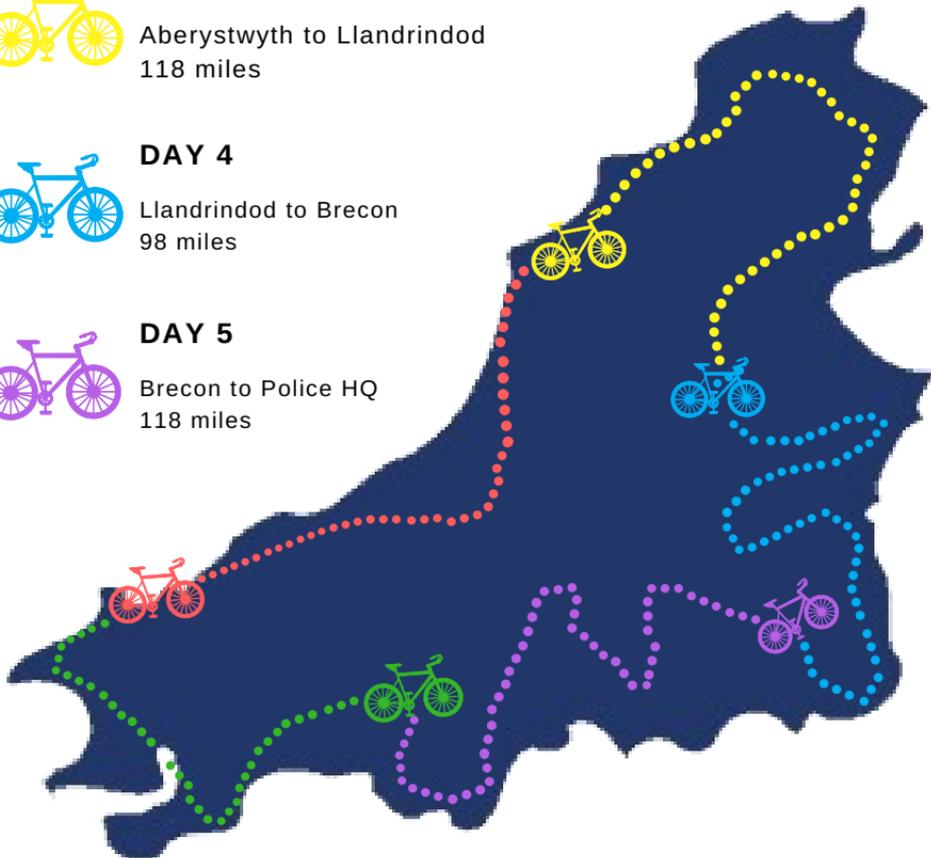


Llandrindod to Brecon  
98 miles

## DAY 5



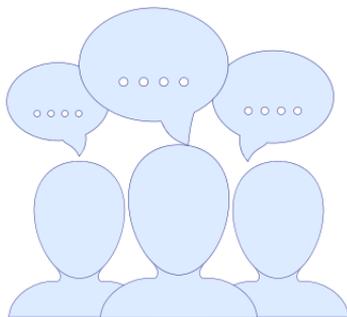
Brecon to Police HQ  
118 miles



# Public Engagement

MARCH, APRIL & MAY 2018

A key commitment in my Police and Crime Plan is to engage with local communities. I want you to work with me on local policing and criminal justice so that we approach and solve problems together. I endeavour to ensure that decisions are based on a sound understanding of the issues that affect and matter to you.



I want you to have trust and confidence in the police. Each month, I host and attend a number of public meetings. I encourage you to attend so that you can hear and ask about what is happening in your area. 

## Engagement Opportunities

### 1 TREGARON

March 29, 2018  
09:30 - 17:00

### 2 HAY-ON-WYE

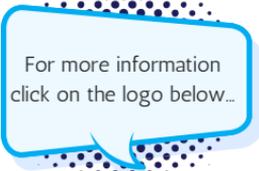
April 13, 2018  
09:30 - 17:00

### 3 PUMSAINT

April 24, 2018  
19:00 - 20:30

### 4 NARBERTH

May 31, 2018  
09:30 - 17:00



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