

# Community Link

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## Welcome...



Firstly, I'd like to wish everyone a happy, healthy and prosperous New Year. It's hard to believe it is now 2019; how fast 2018 has gone. I look forward to continuing to represent the public's voice on policing matters and to ensuring local, regional and national concerns are understood by police, partners and stakeholders this year.

A highlight for me in 2018 was to see the progress of the CCTV rollout which is still ongoing. Eight towns across the Force area have so far benefited from my pledge to reinvest in a modern CCTV infrastructure. To have been able to see it in action, supporting officers and staff in their work in safeguarding our communities and investigating crime, gives me great satisfaction. Details of the latest installation are inside. I look forward to other towns getting this investment and for the monitoring staff to be in place, so that we can use the system to its full potential in 2019.

We will, without doubt, be facing 2019 under a financial strain. Having consulted with the public, I will imminently be making a decision on the Police precept.



Dafydd Llywelyn  
Police and Crime Commissioner

In facing this financial challenge, I will also continue to lobby the Government in London on your behalf as their actions are having an impact on our local services.

I hope you find this newsletter both accessible and informative. Additional information on my work is available on my website. Diolch.

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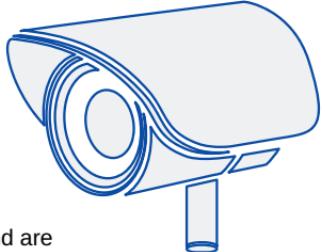
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# Five New CCTV Cameras are live and recording in Tenby



Five new state of the art CCTV cameras have been installed and are live and recording at Tenby, Pembrokeshire. The five cameras are located at High Street, South Parade, Tudor Square, St George St and Upper Frog Street. A sixth camera will soon be installed near the harbour when a new pole has been erected.

Over 120 cameras are being installed in 17 towns throughout the police force area of Pembrokeshire, Carmarthenshire, Ceredigion and Powys.

The work started in Builth Wells in July 2018 and is progressing well. Saundersfoot, Milford Haven, Llanelli, Carmarthen, Ammanford and Brecon have already benefited from the scheme. Work is due to start in Haverfordwest this week and should be completed by the end of January. A modern CCTV Monitoring Room is also being introduced in the Force Communication Centre at Police Headquarters, Llangunnor, which will allow cameras to be monitored centrally by dedicated staff.

"It is a very positive move to have these cameras up and running in Tenby. The town attracts a huge number of visitors to the area as the holiday season starts up again in spring. Having the cameras in place in readiness of this influx of visitors can only help us to keep everyone as safe as possible and assist us in carrying out quality investigations when required."

**Divisional commander for Pembrokeshire,  
Superintendent Ross Evans**



Joanne Harries from my Office engaging with Tenby businesses on CCTV



The work has been carried out by contractors Baydale Control Systems Ltd, as part of the reinvestment in CCTV programme being driven by a key pledge from the Dyfed-Powys Police and Crime Commissioner. Police and Crime Commissioner Dafydd Llywelyn said: "I have regular meetings with the CCTV Project Manager who is keeping me up to date on this project, and it is very encouraging to see that such progress continues to be made in the installation of CCTV cameras across the force area. I'm glad that my key pledge to reintroduce CCTV in the Dyfed-Powys Police force area is being well-received amongst the communities that need it most."



# Youth Forum Launch

## The Launch of my first ever Youth Forum and meeting my Youth Ambassadors

I recently launched my first ever Youth Forum during a special event held at Canolfan S4C Yr Egin, Carmarthen. My Youth Forum for policing and crime was officially launched on Thursday 13 December and highlights my commitment to listening to the voice of young people. The Forum consists of Youth Ambassadors who are aged 11-18 and represent a range of community youth groups and organisations from across Dyfed-Powys.

It marks an exciting development in the way in which I am listening to the voice of young people. I am eager to build relationships with existing youth groups, youth councils and forums across the region, many of which were represented at the launch, so that they can inform my decisions in relation to policing and crime. I'm also developing new methods to reach the harder to reach. I'm excited to announce that we have newly-elected members of the Welsh Youth Parliament represented





Denise Barry from Travelling Ahead said:

“Our young people have thoroughly enjoyed the process of working with Theatr Genedlaethol Cymru through the Police and Crime Commissioner, to explore such complex issues in a dynamic way. They are now also delighted to become Youth Ambassadors for the Gypsy Traveller and Roma community on the Commissioner’s Youth Forum.”

on my Forum, and I have already started discussions with the Senedd in Cardiff on ways for my Youth Ambassadors to feed into the work of the Welsh Youth Parliament and vice versa. I’m very grateful to my Youth Ambassadors for volunteering their time, and I look forward to seeing the Youth Forum develop over the next few months. The launch of my Youth Forum was also an opportunity to premiere a short film created by Theatr Genedlaethol Cymru and Travelling Ahead’s West Wales Gypsy, Roma and Traveller Youth Forum, which was created as part of National Hate Crime Awareness Week 2018. The work, that I commissioned via Welsh Government funding, was the result of a series of workshops which explored the concept of community, love and a sense of belonging.



If your youth group or organisation would like to hear more about the Commissioner’s Youth Forum, please contact his office on 01267 226 440 or email [opcc@dyfed-powys.pnn.police.uk](mailto:opcc@dyfed-powys.pnn.police.uk).

To view the short film created by the young people: <https://vimeo.com/305764080/e86ca27c3b>

# The Future of Fishguard Police Station



Police and Crime Commissioner Dafydd Llywelyn has made a decision that the Police is to continue operating from the current Fishguard Police Station in the short term. Three options were posed to the public in a consultation survey launched in November 2018 on the future location of the Police Station, as the Commissioner had stated that the current Station was not viable in the longer term. A high

level of local interest in the future base was evident, both from the general public and local partners. The public's favoured option was to remain at the current site until a planned new Community Hub Collaborative project is completed.

The Commissioner also arranged face to face consultation with members of the public and business owners, and meetings were held with Fishguard and Goodwick Town Council and Fishguard and Goodwick Chamber of Trade and Tourism to gather local knowledge and opinion. Police and Crime Commissioner Dafydd Llywelyn said:

"In furthering my commitment to listen to Dyfed-Powys public opinion, and following a thorough financial analysis of each option, it is my recommendation that in the short term, we continue to operate from the current Police Station in Fishguard.

We do, however, find ourselves in a complicated situation due to the indefinite timeline of the new Community Hub Collaboration Project and Brexit-related uncertainty. Our aim is to gain clarity over the next 12-18 months on what the future of the new Police Station may look like, as the above impacting factors become clearer. I would like to thank the community of

Fishguard and Goodwick for their continuing cooperation on this important matter".



Pembrokeshire Superintendent Ross Evans said: "We are committed to providing the best possible Policing service. I am very grateful to the local community for their important feedback as part of the consultation process in recent months. We have listened to this carefully and responded accordingly. I am also grateful to the local officers and staff who continue to work hard to keep the public safe".

The Police and Crime Commissioner will communicate his intention for the longer term location of local Police operations in Fishguard with the community in due course.



# Successful Funding Joint Bid Early Intervention Youth Fund

Together with my South Wales, Gwent and North Wales counterparts, funding has been secured to tackle the root causes of serious violence crime, through early intervention and prevention.

In April 2018, the Government published its Serious Violence Strategy, setting out its commitment to provide funding over 2 years for a new Early Intervention Youth Fund. The fund was open to all Police and Crime Commissioners to bid for funding to support targeted early interventions and prevention activity.

Last month, the Home Secretary, Sajid Javid, announced that a joint bid from all four Welsh Police and Crime Commissioners and Chief Constables was one of 29 successful bids for funding from the Early Intervention Youth Fund. £1.2m will be received across Wales, over two years, to help tackle the root causes of serious violence, through early intervention and prevention.



I will work with key partners, to deliver intervention and prevention methods at a local level, identified and based on local need. A Serious Violence Prevention Co-ordinator will be appointed within Dyfed-Powys and each of the other three Welsh Force areas, who will work with their counterparts to co-ordinate four key approaches:

- 1 One to one direct intervention and holistic approaches;**
- 2 Positive activities to develop resilience and offer alternative pathways;**
- 3 Education and awareness;**
- 4 Family intervention.**

I am committed to ensuring that Dyfed-Powys Police continues to target serious crime through early intervention, and this funding will allow for a multi-agency approach to understanding and tackling the root causes of serious violence through early intervention and prevention, focusing on localised, targeted interventions with young people.

With the increase in County Line activity across the country, it is anticipated that serious violence will continue to rise in Dyfed-Powys. The above, as well as other force activity, aims to tackle serious crimes before they become a significant problem in Dyfed-Powys. My office continues to work with Dyfed-Powys Police to monitor the situation and tackle the root cause of serious violence.



# Successful Funding

## Bid to Support

### Victims of Domestic Violence

My Office, together with Dyfed-Powys Police, and in partnership with Mid and West Wales Fire & Rescue Service, has successfully received funding from the Welsh Government's Violence Against Women, Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence (VAWDASV) Capital Project Grant.

The sum of £9,064 has been granted to my Office, and we will work with Dyfed-Powys Police and the Fire & Rescue Service to provide a multi-agency and victim centred approach aimed at minimising the effects of domestic violence on its victims.

The project will enable domestic violence victims to stay in their own homes, and will limit the risk of repeat incidents through the provision of Domestic Violence

Vulnerability Kits. These Kits will consist of different security measures and equipment, which will be loaned out to the household and fitted.

This will improve their home security and provide reassurance to the victim that it is safe for them to remain in their own home.

The Kits are issued following a review of the domestic incident by a Police Officer. I am very pleased we have been able to secure this vital funding with our partners. Households at risk of domestic violence often have to leave their homes because of the risk of repeat incidents.

Through this project, we will be able to provide the necessary security measures to enable them to stay in their homes, and to feel safe there: some peace of mind for the victims of this serious crime.



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# Community Engagement: Our Vision

"I want to ensure that all members of the communities across Dyfed and Powys are provided with an opportunity to engage with both myself and the police."



Hannah Hyde, Policy and Engagement Advisor with members of Pembrokeshire People First

Throughout 2018, I have undertaken many successful engagement activities; many of which I have detailed in previous issues of Community Link. Towards the end of 2018, my Engagement Team started developing a new approach to community engagement. The fundamental principle of this new approach is that my team and I will directly engage with communities on a grassroots level; visiting community groups, educational facilities, charities, businesses, and individuals to seek your opinion, rather than solely expecting you to come to us.

A big thank you to all who have taken the time to speak to us so far: we hope to reach even more of you soon!

Detailed on the next couple of pages are examples of this new approach...

I see my role as your Police and Crime Commissioner as the bridge between the community and Dyfed-Powys Police.

I represent you when I talk to police officers at a local level; when I discuss matters with the Chief Constable of Dyfed-Powys Police, Mark Collins, on a Force-wide level; and also when I talk to colleagues at Welsh Government and Westminster about policing issues at a national level. I therefore want to provide you all with as many opportunities as possible to communicate with me, and the police, so that I can ensure that the key decisions made, and the key discussions had, are informed by you.



OPCC Staff engaging with a worker from Cafe No. 25 in Tenby

# Engagement with Pembrokeshire People First

"A Great Engagement Day in Johnston,

Pembrokeshire with members from Pembrokeshire People First, and students from Pembrokeshire College"

In November 2018 my Engagement Team worked closely with Pembrokeshire People First to deliver an Engagement Day for their members and students from Pembrokeshire College. Pembrokeshire People First is an independent Charity, run by and for adults with learning disabilities and / or autism, and the students who attended from

Pembrokeshire College are working towards a BTEC Entry Level Certificate in Personal Social Development. As previously stated, I am committed to engaging fully with all communities across Dyfed-Powys, and want people to engage easily with us; barriers for different groups of people must be identified and addressed. As such, Pembrokeshire People First staff and volunteers facilitated the day on our behalf; using methods and activities suitable for attendees. My Policy and Engagement Advisor, Hannah Hyde, explains...



"This was a very exciting engagement opportunity for our office. We want to give everyone the opportunity to engage with the Commissioner, and our new approach to engagement allows us to widen our audience. We worked closely with Karen from Pembrokeshire People First to tailor the approach to this event to meet attendees' needs. The engagement methods adopted were fun, made people feel comfortable, and we believe helped them to open up more and share their views on the police. We also invited the local Neighbourhood Policing Team to attend, to encourage face to face engagement with the police in an informal and comfortable environment. PC Emma Smyth and PS Terri Harrison came along, and it was obvious that they had already developed a really good rapport with the members of Pembrokeshire People First.

As well as the group giving us their views on the police and local issues, Emma and Terri were able to give the group invaluable information and advice on Hate Crime, Mate Crime, and their rights if they are stopped and searched by the police.

As a result of this successful engagement day, we are already looking to plan similar events elsewhere in the Force area." - **Hannah Hyde, OPCC**



# Community Engagement Days

In order to listen to your views, concerns and compliments about policing, every month, I visit a different county across Dyfed-Powys. I spend the day – a Community Engagement Day – in a specific location discovering first hand, the needs of that community. It is also a great opportunity to find out about the invaluable work undertaken within the communities by various organisations and charities. At the end of 2018, I held Community Engagement Days in Aberystwyth and Haverfordwest, which were two very interesting and thought-provoking days. I'll hand you over to my Engagement Officer Helen, who arranged these days for me, to tell you more...

The Commissioner and I visited Aberystwyth. We called at The Hub, Penparcau Community Centre and could see first-hand the valuable work they do in the community. We were accompanied by colleagues of The Hub, PC Phil Westbury and local councillors. We met with West Wales Domestic Abuse services and learnt about the important services and support they offer to victims and survivors of domestic abuse. It was a pleasure to meet personnel of the Morlan centre and receive a warm welcome from friends of the mosque (Pictured).



The Commissioner and I visited Haverfordwest. It was a pleasure to visit PAVS - Pembrokeshire Association of Voluntary Services and Area Commissioner and Chairman for Pembrokeshire Scouts. We viewed the amazing art work made by the local community at the VC Art Gallery. The VC Gallery is a community art initiative that helps veterans, disabled people and the young and old using art as a creative way to cut social exclusion, to gain confidence, and have fun.

Most recently, on 11th January, I spent the day with Helen in Powys, visiting a number of locations: Llandrindod Wells, Builth Wells, and Talgarth. In Llandrindod Wells, I called in with Dyfodol Powys Futures and learnt of the remarkable work they do with isolated young people in communities across Powys; particularly the work of their Detached Youth Worker.



PCC with YFC staff, OPCC Engagement Officer Helen Shayle, and PCSO Adam Chard

In Builth Wells, I visited the Young Farmers' Club Centre at the Royal Welsh Showground. I met with the Director of Wales and their Operations Officer / Youth Forum Co-ordinator. We had an important discussion on how the Police and the Young Farmers' Clubs can work effectively together.

In Talgarth, I attended Ysgol y Mynydd Du with Councillor William Powell. It was a very practical and educational afternoon, with Go Safe colleagues and school pupils carrying out a speed watch exercise. I even had a go at measuring vehicles' speed!



Speed watch activity with Go Safe and Ysgol y Mynydd Du pupils

That evening, I attended a One Voice Wales Road Safety Meeting in Talgarth Town Hall: A very busy, informative and worthwhile day.

I will continue to hold these invaluable Community Engagement Days, and here's some information on the next dates...

- **Friday 14th February 2019 – Ceredigion**
- **March 2019 – Carmarthenshire**
- **April 2019 – Pembrokeshire**
- **May 2019 – Powys**
- **June 2019 – Ceredigion**
- **July 2019 – Carmarthenshire**
- **August 2019 – Pembrokeshire**

I am yet to decide on specific locations for these days, so if you know of any groups within your communities who would like me to meet with them – to hear their views or learn of their work, please let my Engagement Team know on 01267 226440 / [opcc@dyfed-powys.pnn.police.uk](mailto:opcc@dyfed-powys.pnn.police.uk).  
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# A Successful Volunteer Training Day

## Volunteers from my Office and Dyfed-Powys Police come together for a joint training day

Members of my Independent Custody Visiting Scheme, Animal Welfare Scheme and Quality Assurance Panel, joined with Police Volunteers for a day of information sharing, personal development and networking on 5th December 2018.

I had the pleasure of opening the event, and was thankful for this opportunity to express my personal gratitude for their commitment and support. The work they do impacts positively on my duty to hold the Chief Constable to account in running an effective police service.

It was a busy day for all of the volunteers, with various inputs and break-out sessions:

- Dyfed-Powys Police's Governance Manager gave a detailed update on how Dyfed-Powys Police is currently performing;
- Volunteer scheme members gave an overview of their roles;
- The lunch break provided an opportunity to network and gather information from a variety of stallholders;
- Volunteers were then able to choose from a selection of personal development break-out workshops:
  - Assertiveness and good communication skills;
  - Uncounscious bias; and
  - Tackling illegal drug use.

The Training Day was closed by the new Temporary Deputy Chief Constable, Richard Lewis, who echoed my message of thanks for the ongoing support of all of the volunteers.

There are a variety of volunteer roles both within my Office and Dyfed-Powys Police. If you want to find out more, have a look on my website, or contact Carys Bond, my Assurance Support Officer on 01267 226440 or e-mail [opcc@dyfed-powys.pnn.police.uk](mailto:opcc@dyfed-powys.pnn.police.uk).



### We are currently recruiting to the Joint Audit Committee!

Our Joint Audit Committee is a key component of the Dyfed-Powys Local Policing Body's corporate governance. It provides an independent and high level focus on the audit, assurance and reporting arrangements that underpin good governance and financial standards.

The purpose of our Joint Audit Committee is to provide independent assurance to the Police and Crime Commissioner and the Chief Constable on the adequacy of the governance and risk management frameworks, the internal control environment, and financial reporting, thereby helping to ensure efficient and effective arrangements are in place.

For further information on the role please visit our website: <http://www.dyfedpowys-pcc.org.uk/en/accountability-and-transparency/joint-audit-committee/>

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# Continuing to develop the workforce of the future

You may have read in my July newsletter about the introduction of a Student Intern, Teleri and Business Support Apprentice, Anwen to my office. I'm pleased to say that Anwen continues to be an asset to my office and is progressing well with her studies alongside work. It was bitter-sweet to say "so-long" to Teleri, who after a year's placement with us, has returned to



Aberystwyth University to continue with her undergraduate studies – pob lwc Teleri!

However, my office doesn't stay still for long – in fact, within a few weeks of Teleri leaving, my office teamed up with the Open University in Wales to offer a unique Student Internship opportunity, sponsored by Santander.

James Tansley, a recent Maths and ICT graduate of the Open University, joined my team in October, for a 10 week paid work placement. Brought in to work with my assurance and engagement staff, James has been responsible for supporting additional public engagement surrounding my scrutiny of Dyfed-Powys Police. James quickly settled into the office and has taken on a number of tasks in support of my office's activities, most notably an engagement event with Pembrokeshire People First, where service users and police officers worked together to understand perceptions of the police and their rights when being stopped and searched. James has quickly become a valued member of my team and I'm pleased that he will be staying with us for a further four months' employment to extend his experience across my office functions.



James explains, "I had received an e-mail from the Open University about a possible internship with The Office for the Police and Crime Commissioner. I was interested to hear more and to see what the kind of things the OPCC were involved in, so I contacted the Office and we set up an interview. Jumping to my first day and I was greeted by the friendliest group of people in the world. As more time went on I was getting more involved in different pieces of work such as summaries for Brexit, creating newsletters and engagement plans. Speaking to more and more people in and outside of our office, I realised that it wasn't just the office that I worked in but anyone I spoke to was kind and ready to drop what they were

doing at any point to try and help. I can wholeheartedly say that I have thoroughly enjoyed my time here and will be sad to finish in March."



# Dyfed-Powys Police Embarks on 16 Days of Action for White Ribbon Campaign

One of the priorities in my Police and Crime Plan is Safeguarding the Vulnerable and one of the key ways to make that happen is to protect people from domestic abuse. As the victims' voice it is key that I am able to provide services that support those individuals who are affected by some of the most heinous and damaging crimes.

I was therefore pleased to be part of international White Ribbon Campaign at the end of November, with 16 days of action in Pembrokeshire, Carmarthenshire, Ceredigion and Powys. The White Ribbon campaign is the global initiative to end male violence against women. The days of action actively raise awareness of the White Ribbon campaign within the organisation and out in the communities the police force serves.

I'm proud to be a White Ribbon Ambassador, along with Temporary Deputy Chief Constable Richard Lewis, and call on everyone to support this campaign; together, we can feed out this important message, change attitudes and behaviour and make a real difference.

Temporary Deputy Chief Constable (T/DCC) Richard Lewis said:

"Everyone has the right to live free from fear, intimidation and abuse, especially within their own home. I am proud to be a White Ribbon Ambassador for White Ribbon campaign and I am proud to be leading the 16 days of action for the force.

The global campaign calls for men to come together and pledge their support to end violence against women. Within Dyfed-Powys Police, we are using the 16 days of action as an opportunity to raise awareness of the support available for victims and survivors of domestic abuse. I urge anyone concerned that someone may be suffering domestic abuse - whether a family member, friend or neighbour - to report it to police."



PCC Dafydd Llywelyn and T/DCC Richard Lewis  
White Ribbon Ambassadors for the Force

Police and Crime Commissioner, Dafydd Llywelyn said: "I'm proud to be a White Ribbon Ambassador, and call on everyone to support this campaign; together, we can feed out this important message, change attitudes and behaviour and make a real difference."