



Newsletter



Welcome to the Towyn and Kinmel Bay Town Council newsletter! We are delighted to share with you the latest updates and initiatives aimed at making a positive impact in our community.

Firstly, we would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to all our residents for being an integral part of our community's growth and success.

Together, we can continue to achieve great things for Towyn and Kinmel Bay.

The Newsletter will be shared quarterly on Social Media and on our website, and if you would like a paper copy please pop in and see us. As we step into 2025, we are eager to share updates about our town's growth, improvements, and events.

This newsletter is your go-to source for council news, community highlights, and opportunities to get involved in shaping our wonderful town.

Warm regards

Mayor Anna Macauley and the Councillors of
Towyn and Kinmel Bay Town Council.

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Kinmel Bay Coastal Defences Improvements Scheme

The length of coastline at Kinmel Bay is threatened by flooding due to climate change causing the sea level to rise and more frequent large storms. In some places existing coastal defences need to be strengthened and increased in height.

The coastal defences along this stretch of coastline are in varying conditions. They were not designed for the projected sea level rise and increasing storms we can expect in the future.

The present coastal defence in front of the Golden Sands holiday park, includes a large rock armour barricade. The rock armour is in a good state of repair but does not provide enough protection from the sea level rise or increasing storminess. The plans include raising and widening the rock armour and raising the seawall.

The coastal defence along the frontage at Kinmel Bay West includes a seawall with no rock armour. The western seawall is currently too low to give sufficient coastal flood protection, so the plans include raising the seawall to increase protection.

Kinmel Bay East currently has a seawall with rock armour protection. This rock armour will be raised and widened, and the seawall will be raised.



Update December 2024

The last few months of 2024 were busy. The contractor mobilised to site in October and established their compound at the St Asaph Avenue Beach Car Park adjacent to Asda. They have made good progress establishing the work areas on the beach.

Construction of the 2nd new replacement beach access steps is progressing well, and the temporary working platform required to construct the beach access steps at Golden Sands is progressing well in preparation for a pilling rig to mobilise to site early next year.

Delivery of approximately 14,000T of rock armour, all of which has been locally sourced from quarries in North Wales. The contractor has also commenced the installation of the precast concrete wall raising units which are used to increase the height of the existing seawall.

Construction works commenced on the 6th January 2025 after the Christmas break.

We will keep you updated as the work progresses.



Kinmel Bay Library

Kinmel Bay Community Library secured funding as part of a collaborative bid with other Conwy Community Libraries from the UK Government, via the UK Shared Prosperity Fund (UKSPF) – Conwy County Borough Council Community Regeneration Key Fund.

The Library officially reopened in December after undergoing recent building works and refurbishment.

The renovation has brought several improvements, including a more modern and welcoming interior and upgraded facilities



Kinmel Bay Community Centre

In November 2024, Kinmel Bay Community Centre received an award from Bryson Recycling through their 'Recycling Rewards' campaign and received a donation of £1398.

Through "Recycling Rewards", Bryson donates £1 to charity for every tonne of garden waste collected through their brown bin collection service that they provide on behalf of Conwy County Borough Council.

Cllr. Nigel Smith, Chair of Kinmel Bay Community Centre said "I wish to thank Bryson Recycling for their environmental work and continued support of local charities in Conwy County. Kinmel Bay Community Centre will use this most welcome donation to continue providing activities promoting physical and mental wellbeing for its local residents."

Ysgol Maes Owen

Ysgol Maes Owen has embarked on an exciting garden transformation project.

They have secured funding from 'Keep Wales Tidy' to revamp their outdoor space and have started to install their new garden.

This initiative will create a vibrant, engaging environment for students and staff.

We'll keep you updated on their progress throughout the year as the project unfolds!

Towyn and Kinmel Bay thrive because of the dedication and collaboration of our residents and businesses.

We are immensely grateful to everyone who contributes to making our town such a wonderful place to live. Here are some recent highlights

Christmas Gift Collection

Lainey's Hair Salon plays an important role in supporting the local community, particularly during the festive season.

In 2024, the salon continued its annual tradition of participating in the Mayor's initiative to provide Christmas gifts for children in need. This year, the focus was on young carers—children who take on significant responsibilities for caring for family members.

The salon collected 98 gift bags filled with thoughtful items, ensuring these young carers felt appreciated and supported during the holiday season. The gift drive was part of a broader community effort, highlighting the salon's ongoing partnership with Mayor Anna Macauley and its dedication to bringing joy to local families.

The salon's generosity and commitment have been consistently recognised, as this marks the third year Lainey's has contributed to the Mayor's Christmas gift collection project. Their efforts reflect the strong sense of community spirit in Towyn and Kinmel Bay



Christmas Party

Jake's Bar, led by the Seldon family, organised a free Christmas party in December 2024 exclusively for senior residents of Towyn and Kinmel Bay. The event aimed to foster a sense of community and ensure that senior citizens felt included and celebrated during the festive season.

The party featured a variety of activities, including a delicious festive meal, live entertainment, and opportunities for socialising. The atmosphere was described as warm and joyful, with attendees expressing gratitude for the Seldons' thoughtful efforts.

This event was part of Jake's Bar's commitment to giving back to the community, particularly to its older residents who might otherwise feel isolated during the holidays. The initiative received widespread praise, with many attendees highlighting how much they appreciated the day.

The community extended heartfelt thanks to the Seldon family for their generosity and for making the event such a memorable success.

Project Updates



Owain Glyndwr Community Garden

We are excited to share with you that the Town Council was awarded a UK Prosperity grant to fund the transformation of an abandoned play area on the Owain Glyndwr Estate in Kinmel Bay, and are transforming it into a thriving community garden for all to use.

The Owain Glyndwr Community Garden will be vibrant space located in Towyn and Kinmel Bay, serving as a hub for local residents to engage in gardening, connect with nature, and build a sense of community. The garden is designed to promote sustainable practices, encourage social interaction, and provide opportunities for residents to participate in outdoor activities.

In the future the garden hopes to host events, workshops, and volunteer days, making it an inclusive and welcoming space for individuals of all ages and abilities. Community gardens like this one are instrumental in improving mental and physical well-being, fostering environmental awareness, and enhancing the overall quality of life in the area.

Stay tuned for further updates on the grand opening!

The Friends of the Garden Committee are looking for volunteers to help maintain the space. If you have a keen interest in gardening or just want to help, please get in touch with the Town Council.



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Trefi/Smart Towns Wi-Fi Project

Through grant funding from the UK Government and match funding from the Town Council, Trefi/Smart Towns Wales Wi-Fi is coming to Towyn and Kinmel Bay.

The aim of Trefi/Smart Town Wi-Fi is to support businesses, councils and communities in using digital technology and data to regenerate their high streets, in line with the Transforming Towns agenda. This means helping businesses to use data to work smarter and not harder, and to identify opportunities for growth; using data to justify and inform investment, and to measure the success of any interventions.

This project is due to be up and running by Spring 2025 and we will keep you updated of any progress!



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Solar Lights Project

Towyn and Kinmel Bay Town Council has been dedicated to enhancing safety and promoting Active Travel throughout the area by installing LED solar lights. These eco-friendly lights not only help improve visibility and safety during the darker months but also contribute to sustainability efforts in our community.

We are pleased to announce that the following areas have been successfully completed:

- Green Avenue
- Ogwen Avenue
- Tir Prince Park
- Path between Tir Prince Park and Chester Avenue
- Chester Avenue
- Clwyd Park
- Sandbank Road car park

With these initial improvements, we're continuing to prioritise safety and are excited to share that further installations are planned for 2025. These additional lights will further improve the safety of pedestrians and cyclists, helping to create a more connected and active community.

Stay tuned for more updates as we continue to work towards a brighter and safer future for Towyn and Kinmel Bay!



During her tenure as Mayor, Cllr Anna Macauley together with the support of the Councillors has worked tirelessly to raise funds for two incredible causes: St Kentigern Hospice and Diabetes UK.

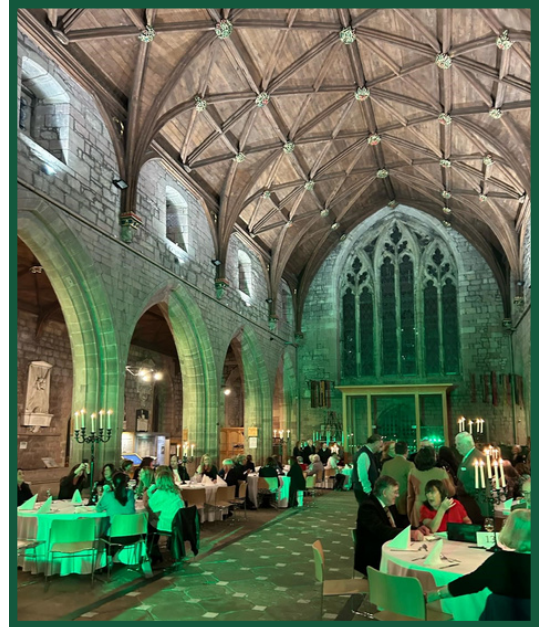
Fundraising Events



Pre-Loved Fashion Show

In September 2024, Mayor Macauley hosted a successful Preloved Fashion Show at the Kinmel Manor, bringing the community together in support of a great cause. The event was well-received, showcasing both fashion and generosity.

The event raised an amazing £6,127.45



Murder Mystery Night

The fundraising continued in November 2024 with an unforgettable Murder Mystery Evening held at the stunning St Asaph Cathedral.

Guests enjoyed a night of intrigue and entertainment, all in aid of the charities.

The event raised a fabulous £ 1,738

Cabaret Night

Additionally, in August 2024, the Sandy Cove Club supported Mayor Macauley and hosted a fabulous Cabaret Night, where an incredible £2,500 was raised and donated to the Town Council's 'Santa for a Senior' project.



What's happening in the local area



Chester Avenue Woodland Willow Coppicing

Chester Avenue Community Woodland in Kinmel Bay features a willow maze, where experienced willow weavers regularly harvest shoots for their crafts.

Members of the community are welcome to participate and in the process learn about weaving and the products that can be made. If you would like further details please contact the Town Council on 01745 355899.



Kinmel Bay Bowling Club

Kinmel Bay offers opportunities for both indoor and outdoor bowls enthusiasts.

During the Winter months sessions are held at the Kinmel Bay Community Centre on a Monday afternoon. The club provides outdoor facilities during the Summer months, located at Kendal Road, Kinmel Bay, LL18 5BT

These facilities provide excellent opportunities for both casual and competitive bowlers in and around Kinmel Bay

For more information, you can contact the club directly or visit their Facebook group.





Young at Heart Dance Club

The Young at Heart Dance Club in Kinmel Bay offers dance and exercise classes tailored for older adults. These sessions are designed to be enjoyable and promote physical activity among seniors

Participating in the Young at Heart Dance Club is a wonderful way to stay active, meet new people, and enjoy dancing in a friendly environment.

Sessions take place on a Thursday afternoon 1pm to 4pm at the Kinmel Bay Community Centre.

Football at Y Morfa



Kinmel Bay Football Club attracts hundreds of players, supporters, volunteers and visitors to Y Morfa.

The football club has teams for all junior ages both boys and girls, and also adult teams.

For further details contact:- frankstanding1@gmail.com



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WELLBEING ACTIVITIES

Towyn and Kinmel Bay and Surrounding Area



The Community Wellbeing Team help connect adults to activities available in their local area. Can't see what you're looking for? Contact the team today to find out about other opportunities available where you live.

Call: 01492 577449 Email: stayingwell@conwy.gov.uk Visit: www.dewis.wales

Please note, this guide has been put together by the Community Wellbeing Team who are funded by UK Government. However, the activities listed are run by a range of local providers and community groups and not the team, therefore, are subject to a charge. Information correct at the time of publishing 20/12/2024. Mae'r ddogfen hon ar gael yn Gymraeg hefyd.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Sing and smile - 10am - 11am 4th Monday of the month Chester Avenue Community House, 57 Cynlas Road, Kinmel Bay, LL18 5LP. First session FREE - Suggested donation £3. Contact: Goldies Cymru - 01761 470 006 Kinmel Bay Indoor Bowls every Monay at 1pm-4pm. Singing for fun / Social session - Every other Monday next session is 30th December - 1:30pm Board games, crafts, knitting and crocheting Eglwys St. Sannan Church, Llansannan, LL16 5HH. £2 including refreshments. Contact: Eifion - 07584 413400 Welsh Reading group - 4th Monday of every month - 2pm Abergele Library, Market Street, LL22 7BP. FREE Contact: Abergele Library - 01492 577505 Craft and chat - Every 3rd Monday of the month - 7pm -9pm (check centre's Facebook page for any changes) Rhyd Y Foel Community Centre, Rhyd-y-Foel, LL22 8FG. £2 refreshments included Contact: Just turn up	Patchwork and quilting - 1:30pm - 4pm Must have some experience and have a sewing machine as this is not a sewing by hand session. Please call before attending for more information Festival Church, 87 Gors Road, Towyn, LL22 9NR. £6 Contact: Cllr Bernice McLoughlin - 01745 361 318	Oasis Luncheon Club - 11:45am - 1:30pm Homemade soup and a sweet. All Welcome Festival Church, 87 Gors Road, Towyn, LL22 9NR. £3.50 Contact: Festival Church - 01745 343 781 Mix and Mingle - 2pm - 4pm Festival Church, 87 Gors Road, Towyn, LL22 9NR. FREE donations welcome Contact: Cllr Bernice McLoughlin / Cllr Lynda Griffiths: 01745 361 318 / 01745 355 714 Line Dancing 6pm to 9.30pm Kinmel Bay Community Centre Contact Mike Stringer on 07715445918 Rhyl Indoor Bowls (Oct-March) 9am-12pm and 1pm-4pm.
Thursday	Friday	Weekend
Knit and Natter Group - 10am - 12pm Festival Church, 87 Gors Road, Towyn, LL22 9NR. FREE Contact: Lilian / Paula - 01745 343 781 Young at Heart Dance Club - 1:45pm - 3:45pm Kinmel Bay Community Centre, The Square , Off Foryd Road, Kinmel Bay, LL18 5BT.£3 per person includes refreshments Contact: Jenny and Hugh Fitzpatrick - 07983 642 081 Yoga - 5pm - 7pm Abergele Old Peoples Club, 3 Church Street, Abergele, LL22 7AN. £6 Contact: Winnie - 07732 009 654 Tai Chi - 5pm - 7pm Kinmel Bay Community Centre Contact Hong on 07443924063	Craft Class - 1:30pm Kinmel Bay Community Centre, The Square , Off Foryd Road Kinmel Bay, LL18 5BT. £2.50 including refreshments Contact: Rose Walsh - 01745 886 632	Festival Community Choir - Saturday - 10:30am - 11:30am All types of music and no experience necessary Festival Church, 87 Gors Road, Towyn, LL22 9NR. £1 Contact: Vicky - 01745 343 781

Community Support

The Town Council has been proud to support various initiatives aimed at benefiting our community. Here are some of the key projects we have been involved in:

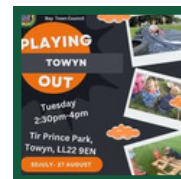
Supporting Those in Need



The Town Council is proud to support the Kinmel Bay Church Food Bank by providing monthly food donations throughout the year. This initiative helps ensure that vulnerable members of our community have access to essential supplies.

The Food Bank is open 11am – 1pm
Tuesday & Friday
Contact details –
kbcelaine@gmail.com
07841678889

Encouraging Play and Community



During the summer holidays, the Town Council funded five Conwy Council initiative 'Playing Out' sessions at Tir Prince Park.

These sessions provided children with a safe and enjoyable environment to play and engage with peers, fostering community spirit and healthy activity.

Free Defibrillator Training



The Town Council is proud to offer free Defibrillator training to our community in conjunction with the Welsh Ambulance Service. This vital training will equip you with the skills and confidence to respond to an emergency where using a defibrillator could be life saving.

Our community has 14 Defibrillators available through out Towyn and Kinmel Bay (see website for locations) and this training will ensure that residents are prepared to use them effectively in emergencies.

Please see Towyn and Kinmel Bay Town Council Facebook page and website for future training dates. www.towynkinmelbay-tc.gov.uk

Spreading Joy During the Festive Season



This year, the Town Council was delighted to support both the Sandy Cove Club and North Wales Police in hosting two Children's Christmas Parties. These wonderful events brought festive cheer and joy to local children, creating lasting memories for families in our community.

We are proud to have contributed to making these celebrations possible and extend our gratitude to everyone involved for their hard work and dedication to spreading holiday magic

Supporting Local Sports



The Town Council proudly provided grant funding to Kinmel Bay Football Club, enabling the purchase of a new set of goal posts. This investment supports local sports, encourages physical activity, and helps our youth teams thrive.

We are committed to fostering opportunities for sports and recreation within our community and are thrilled to see the positive impact this funding has had on our local athletes.

The 'Santa for a Senior' project was again a huge success thanks to the overwhelming generosity of our community. Through your kind donations of gifts and continued fundraising efforts, we were able to deliver luxury gifts to over 370 elderly residents in Towyn and Kinmel Bay, spreading joy during the festive season.

A special thank you goes to North Wales Fire and Rescue, who joined us for the second year and ensured that residents had safe fire safety equipment in their homes. Their support was invaluable, and we are deeply grateful for their dedication to community safety.

We would also like to extend our heartfelt thanks to Kinmel Bay ASDA, who supported our Councillors in collecting donations and nominations.

Additional gratitude goes to Tanz Hair, Kinmel Bay Library, Festival Church, and 2K Hair Salon for kindly serving as donation drop-off points.

Your contributions have made a real difference, and we thank everyone who played a part in making this project such a success.



Community Engagement

Mayor Anna Macauley and the Councillors have had a busy season connecting with residents, schools, nursing homes, Kinmel Bay Library, Glan Clwyd Hospital and neighbouring Councils. Their efforts have focused on fostering community spirit and collaboration, ensuring our town continues to thrive.



Grant Funding Available from the Town Council

The Town Council is pleased to offer grant funding for local organisations, charities, and community projects. If you have a project or initiative that would benefit the residents of Towyn and Kinmel Bay, we encourage you to apply.

Are you a local group or organisation working for the benefit of Towyn & Kinmel Bay and/or our residents?

If so, you could be eligible for a grant from the Town Council. The grant scheme aims to support local clubs and community organisations which can demonstrate a clear need for financial support to benefit Towyn & Kinmel Bay and/or its residents by:

Promoting Towyn & Kinmel Bay in a positive and lasting way.

Providing a service, or effectiveness of a service, to Towyn & Kinmel Bay residents.

Meeting the needs of residents experiencing social or economic difficulties.

Enhancing residents quality of life, health or wellbeing.

The closing dates for applications this year are

30th June 2025
31st December 2025

HOW TO APPLY:



For more information on eligibility and application forms, please visit the Town Council's website on www.towynkinmelbay-tc.gov.uk or contact the council office on 01745 355899.

We look forward to supporting more exciting projects and initiatives that make our community stronger!

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Thank you

We're proud to serve the vibrant community of Towyn and Kinmel Bay. Your ongoing support and engagement make all the difference in creating a thriving and connected town

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Follow us on our social media channels for the latest updates and events:

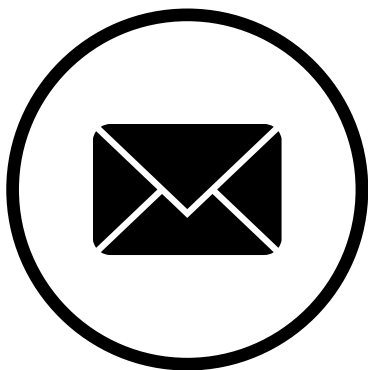
Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/people/Towyn-Kinmel-Bay-Town-Council/100092613241299/>



Or on our website

www.towynkinmelbay-tc.gov.uk



DO YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR SUGGESTIONS?

We'd love to hear from you! Contact us at deputy@towynkinmelbay-tc.gov.uk or call 01745355899

Looking Ahead

Don't miss our next newsletter, where we'll share updates on upcoming events, community projects and engagement.

To join our email mailing list and receive a copy of the Newsletter by email, please contact deputy@towynkinmelbay-tc.gov.uk.

If you would like a paper copy please pop into the Town Council Resource Centre and we will happily provide you with a copy.
