

FRIENDS OF BORTH Y GEST

NEWS LETTER

October 2014

Dear All,

I think we are all waiting for winter to arrive but the exceptionally mild weather is still hanging on albeit with rain and wind. A number of trees have been blown down in the wind over the past couple of weeks especially in the woods at the top of Tan y Foel where I live.

A general meeting of FoByG was held on the 9th October and a resume is given below.

15 members attended.

A talk about the Coastal Path in Gwynedd was given by Mr Rhys Roberts officer in charge at Gwynedd Council.

A précis of points of interest during the meeting is given below.

Coastal Path Talk.

- a. Cost of maintenance of the Gwynedd section is approximately £1m/year. Volunteers will be needed to help maintain the path during the year e.g. cutting down bracken and brambles. The contact at Gwynedd Council is Gerallt Jones.
- b. The usage of various sections of the path is monitored by pressure sensors buried under the path. These showed that Borth y Gest was in the category of most heavily used part with 70,000 people or more yearly.
- c. The website for the Coastal path is ***walescoastalpath.gov.uk*** and this should keep you up to date on the path's route
- d. There is an e-mail address for Mr Rhys Roberts regarding any issues about the path. Rhysgwynroberts@gwynedd.gov.uk.

The CCTV Cameras Overlooking the Bay.

Mr Tom Brooks gave a well-informed resume of the situation so far. A straw poll of residents of Borth y Gest (not just members) and those members that were at the meeting was taken. In both cases it was a 50:50 split whether people were concerned or not. It was stressed that the FoByG took a neutral stance about the cameras.

An e-mail has been received from the Marine Crime Liaison Officer, Paul Duggan.

This is reproduced below.

Dear All.

Well that's it another summer gone!

And marine crime wise a very good summer certainly when we compare it to past years, so a big thank you to all for all your help, support, and cooperation.

A lot of boats/jetski's have already been removed from our area for winter storage elsewhere, and no doubt with some being transported over next couple of days, and with this in mind we hope to organise some random roadside checks but can I ask that if you should see any stored locally that raise concerns, to let me know.

I am as always very happy to visit and bring along our security expert, who will check out yards and other premises and advise on security all free of charge.

Please do not hesitate to get in touch if you think I can help.

Paul.

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Activities

Pauline Lloyd Davies gave a report on previous and forthcoming activities.

- a. Thanks given to Georgina Tomkins for organizing the flower watering
- b. Coffee and Mince pie evening to be arranged for December (date to be advised).
- c. There will be monthly coffee mornings last Tuesday in the month starting November 25th between 10.30 and 12.00 at the Sea View Café.
- d. A walk to be arrange along the Coastal path on Friday 14th November by catching a bus to Criccieth and walking from Criccieth to Borth y Gest weather permitting. Meet outside the Morannedd Café at 10am. We aim to have lunch in the Sea View Café on our return to Borth-y-Gest. (Please contact Deirdre Burke on 512967 if you are coming or need more information).

Join the local contribution to the Macmillan Coffee Morning on Monday 3rd November from 10 to 12, in the Sea View Café. (Please contact Deirdre 512967 for help getting there.)

Final Repairs after storm damage to the Coastal Path adjacent the bay.



That's all for now. If you have other things of interest for future letters please email me at rich.edmonds@btopenworld.com

Thanking You

Richard Edmonds.