

Canolfan Edward Richard Centre Ystrad Meurig

Official Opening – 29 October 2005



The Centre – a community resource

The Centre is being developed as a multi-purpose community resource, offering up-to-the-minute facilities in a tranquil, historic setting.

Rooms will be available for hire at reasonable rates. We welcome enquiries from anyone interested in setting up a group, running a class, or holding an event.

The building will be equipped for a range of uses, including:

- concerts and social events
- meetings, large or small
- Welsh classes
- local history group
- adult education classes
- mother and baby group/childcare
- youth/children's club
- brownies, cubs, scouts
- computer classes
- Women's Institute
- Merched y Wawr
- arts and crafts
- yoga, keep fit, tai chi
- gardening group
- floral arranging
- hire for parties and wedding receptions
- indoor/outdoor camping facilities
- senior citizens' club
- photocopying facilities

These are just some possibilities - please tell us how you'd like to use the centre.

The building

The Centre is housed in the historic

Edward Richard Grammar School, next to St John's Church. This school was started by Edward Richard in 1734, and until the



school building was erected in 1812-15 was conducted in the adjacent St John's Church. This was an important educational institution, particularly in the training of future clergy. It closed in 1972, and then the building was used as the Church Hall, available to the local community as a meeting place and youth centre, until mounting repair costs led to its closure in 1992.

Thanks to an Objective 1 grant from the European Regional Development Fund, with match funding from the Local Regeneration Fund and the Aggregates Levy Sustainability Fund, together with funds raised by the Association and private donations, this beautiful Grade 2* listed building has been sensitively restored to provide the best of both worlds - historic architecture and 21st century facilities which include an ICT training suite, comfortable meeting and exhibition spaces, and a fitted kitchen.

There are four rooms for meetings - the main hall (5.5 x 11.5 m), the activities room at the front and two smaller rooms - the office (the Old Library), and the upstairs room (the 'Vatican') for private meetings/consultations and IT training). The rear of the building, with kitchen, toilets and shower facilities, is entirely new. There are full facilities for the disabled.

The surrounding grounds are mainly turfed, with a paved area.

Lionel Curtis Rory Wilson Architects (Aberystwyth), with DJD Quantity Surveyors (Llanarth), were employed on the project from feasibility through to completion. The main contractors were D E Developments (Dihewyd).

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Tel: 01974 831488

Established and run by the Ystrad Meurig
Community Association (founded in 2000 -
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Y Ganolfan – at ddefnydd y gymuned

Mae'r ganolfan yn cael ei datblygu ar gyfer y gymuned, yn cynnig y cyfleusterau diweddera mewn lle tawel, hanesyddol. Bydd ystafelloedd ar gael i'w hurfio am delerau rhesymol. Rydym yn croesawu ymholiadau oddi wrth unrhyw un sydd â diddordeb i gychwyr grŵp, cynnal dosbarth neu weithgaredd. Bydd yr adeilad yn addas ar gyfer ystod eang o weithgareddau gan gynnwys:

- cyngherddau a digwyddiadau cymdeithasol
- cyfarfodydd, bach neu fawr
- dosbarthiadau Cymraeg
- grŵp hanes lleol
- dosbarthiadau addysg i oedolion
- grŵp mam a'i baban
- clwb ieuencid
- geidiad a sgowtiaid
- dosbarthiadau cyffifiadur
- Seŷdliad y Merched
- Merched y Mawr
- celf a chrefft
- yoga, cadw'n heini, tai chi
- grŵp garddio
- trefnu blodau
- parthion a gwledodod priodas
- adnoddau gweisyilia tu allan/dan do
- clwb henoeod
- cyfarpar llun gopio

Rhai syniadau yn unig yw y rhain - d'i wedwch chi wrthym sut y byddech yn hoffi ei defnyddio.

Sefydlwyd ac yn cael ei chynnal gan Gymdeithas
Gymunedol Ystrad Meurig (cychwynnwyd yn y
ffwyddyn 2000 - Eilsen Gofrestredig rhif 1086985)

Yr adeilad

Mae'r Ganolfan wedi ei lleoli yn hen adeilad hanesyddol Ysgol Ramadeg Edward Richard, ger Eglwys Sant Ioan. Cychwynnwyd ysgol gan Edward Richard yn 1734 a gynhaliwyd yn yr eglwys hyd nes i adeilad pwrpasol gael ei godi yn 1812-15. Roedd yn ganolfan addysgol bwysig yn arbenigo mewn hyfforddi gŵyr ieuanc i'r offeiriadaeth. Bu i'r Ysgol gau yn 1972 ac fe ddefnyddiwyd yr adeilad fel neuadd yr eglwys ar gael i'r gymuned leol fel man cyfarfod a chanolfan ieuencid. Oherwydd prinder arian i ymgymryd â'r gost enfawr o gynnal a chadw bu'n rhaid ei chau yn 1992.

Gyda chymorth ariannol derbynol o Ewrop yngryd ag arian cyfatebol oddi wrth y Gionfa Adfywio Lleol a Chronfa Ardoll Aregau Cynaliadwy Cymru, arian a godwyd gan y Gymdeithas ei hun a rhoddion ariannol wrth unigolion, mae'r adeilad hardd cofrestredig Gradd 2* wedi cael ei adnewyddu yn chwacthus i gynig y gorau o'r ddau fyd - pensemniaeth hanesyddol a chyfleusterau yr unfed ganrif ar hugain gan gynnwys cyfarpar gwybodaeth technoleg, man cyfarfod cyfforddus, lle delfrydol ar gyfer arddangosfeydd a chegin fodern.

Mae pedair ystafell ar gael i'r cyhoedd - y neuadd (5.5 x 11.5 m), ystafell ar gyfer gweithgareddau megis crefftau a dwy ystafell llai o ran maint - y swyddfa (yr Hen Lyfrgeili), a'r ystafell i fyny'r grisiau (y 'Fatican') ar gyfer cyfarfodydd a thrafodaethau preifat ac hyfforddiant yng ngwybodaeth technoleg. Mae'r ystafelloedd wrth gefn yr adeilad lle lleoli'r y gegin a'r toiledau i gyd yn newydd gyda chyfleusterau addas i'r anabl.

Mae'r tir o amgylch wedi'i dwarchu a rhan wedi'i balmantu.

Cyflwynwyd y pensein Lionel Curtis a Rory Wilson (Aberystwyth) a D.D. Maintesurtyddion (Llanarth) ar y cynllun o'r cychwyn hyd y diwedd. Y prif adeiladwyr oedd D E Developments (Dihewy)

