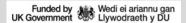
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### BANGOR COMMUNITY HUB: A GROWING LIFELINE FOR RESIDENTS

Run by Bangor City Council, a new Community Hub located on Garth Road has quickly become a cornerstone of local support. In just 22 weeks, the Hub has welcomed over 2,177 residents, working in partnership with 48 organisations and a dedicated team of volunteers. With £42,000 in grants secured and growing community donations, the Hub provides wide-ranging services including mental health support, safe spaces, bereavement care, outreach services and practical help with food, housing, and benefits. Looking ahead, plans include launching a 24/7 Crisis Café, delivering free training for local services, and strengthening links between community hubs across the city. For more information, please visit the Bangor City Council Website.



## CYNGOR GWYNEDD AIM TO COMBAT VACANT PROPERTIES ON BANGOR HIGH STREET

Cyngor Gwynedd is leading efforts to support Bangor's High Street through the Empty Property Pilot, a targeted initiative designed to bring vacant buildings back into active use and boost city centre regeneration. The project forms part of the Welsh Government's Transforming Towns programme, which supports the revitalisation of town centres across Wales. The project has now entered its intervention phase, working directly with property owners to provide tailored advice, support and, where necessary, enforcement to encourage positive change. One of the key interventions within the pilot is the Bangor Empty Property Initiative (BEPI), which offers financial assistance through grants of up to £200,000 per property. With nearly £1 million allocated to the scheme, BEPI will help fund structural repairs and conversions for mixed-use developments, including retail, leisure, and housing.

For more information or any queries please contact adfywio@qwynedd.llyw.cymru



#### BANGOR BID RENEWAL BALLOT UNDERWAY

The Bangor Business Imrpovement District (Bangor First) is preparing for an important renewal ballot that will shape the future of city centre investment from 2026 to 2031. The ballot process will begin with a Notice of Ballot on 16 October 2025, with voting opening on 30 October and closing on 27 November. The result will be announced on 28 November 2025, and if successful, the new five-year term will commence on 1 April 2026. For more information,

please visit the Bangor First website.

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## BANGOR 1500 CELEBRATIONS: A YEAR OF COMMUNITY SPIRIT

Bangor's 1500-year celebrations have been a vibrant showcase of local pride. Supported through the Welsh Government's Transforming Towns programme, the celebrations have brought communities together through a rich mix of events and projects. Events so far have included VE Day commemorations, the Music Festival, Pier Festival, Bangor Parade, and the Summer Festival. Upcoming events include the History Festival (18-19 October) and the Christmas Festival (exact date TBC). As well as events, green spaces have been transformed through planting schemes and park improvements, while schools have taken part in heritage projects and competitions. Inspired by Bradford's City of Culture work, discussions are underway on how Bangor can build on this momentum long-term, including exploring models to celebrate local heritage past 2025.



## GWYNEDD NI PROGRAMME: INVESTMENT IN COMMUNITY SPACES

Funded via the UK Government's Shared Prosperity Fund, £1.2M has been allocated to regeneration projects across Gwynedd through the Gwynedd Ni Programme, including several key initiatives invested in Bangor. The projects will vary and will run between June 2025 and January 2026, including a leisure provision assessment to shape the future of local sports and leisure facilities, a design project which aims improve connections between Pontio and Storiel, and a further design scheme to enhance access and biodiversity at the Roman Camp. These targeted investments will strengthen community infrastructure and ensure Bangor remains vibrant and well-connected. For more information please contact adfywio@gwynedd.llyw.cymru



### OLD PEACOCKS DEVELOPMENT: BREATHING NEW LIFE INTO THE HIGH STREET

Exciting progress is being made at the former Peacocks site on Bangor High Street, with the redevelopment project now nearing completion. Supported through the UK Government's Shared Prosperity Fund and the Welsh Government's Transforming Towns programme, this scheme led by Varcity Living will deliver high-quality accommodation for over 50 residents, bringing new life and activity into the heart of the city centre. Alongside the residential element, the ground floor will feature newly refurbished commercial units, creating opportunities for businesses to establish themselves in a prominent location in Bangor City Centre. For more information on the commercial units please visit the rightmove website.