

A collection of news stories affecting our community during 2011. As of New Year, 2020 we note our community will be liable to a higher tax burned for HS2 than it would cost to build a much-needed railway station at the centre of our community and the Pontcysyllte WHS. Therefore, we object to HS2, or as we call it the “Welsh Bypass”. Furthermore, our railway line (Marchers) offers a viable alternative to the main West Coast Line as the former Wrexham & Shropshire Service proved before closure in 2010. We ask, why not use this to alleviate congestion on the main West Coastline, which would literally save billions of pounds.

### **AOL Travel News 31<sup>st</sup> December 2011**

£3m cable cars to boost tourism in Welsh village

<http://travel.aol.co.uk/2011/12/31/3m-cable-cars-to-boost-tourism-in-welsh-village/>

### **BBC News 30 December 2011**

Cable cars plan to boost tourism in Cefn Mawr, Wrexham

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-wales-north-east-wales-16097881>

### **The Daily Post 30<sup>th</sup> December 2011**

Fears planned visitor centre extension at Trevor could damage local trade

<http://www.dailypost.co.uk/news/north-wales-news/2011/12/30/fears-planned-visitor-centre-extension-at-trevor-could-damage-local-trade-55578-30032069/>

### **The Leader 29<sup>th</sup> December 2011**

Cable car group's anger at plan to revamp centre

<http://www.leaderlive.co.uk/news/109043/cable-car-group-s-anger-at-plan-to-revamp-centre.aspx>

### **The Shropshire Star 23<sup>rd</sup> December 2011**

TV date with Ant and Dec for the Fron choir

<http://www.shropshirestar.com/news/2011/12/23/tv-date-with-ant-and-dec-for-the-fron-choir/>

### **The Leader 6<sup>th</sup> December 2011**

Cable cars centrepiece of new vision for village

<http://www.leaderlive.co.uk/news/108597/cable-cars-centrepiece-of-new-vision-for-wrexham-village.aspx>

### **The Leader 1st December 2011**

The torch will be carried over Pontcysyllte aqueduct on May 30 and through Trevor, Rhostyllen, Acrefair and the town centre on its journey to the Olympic ...

<http://www.leaderlive.co.uk/news/108546/wrexham-torch-relay-events-could-cost-up-to-1-000-a-minute-.aspx>

### **The Leader 25th November 2011**

There's a great social aspect to volunteering for Wrexham's Nightingale House Hospice, from the distribution centre items are sorted and sent out to the hospice's six shops – in Buckley, Flint and Cefn Mawr.....

<http://www.leaderlive.co.uk/news/108425/-there-s-a-great-social-aspect-to-volunteering-.aspx>

**The Leader 24th November 2011**

Celebrations planned to greet arrival of Olympic torch

<http://www.leaderlive.co.uk/news/108399/celebrations-planned-to-greet-arrival-of-olympic-torch.aspx>

**The Leader 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2011**

Charity champ's arch to arch marathon cycle ride

<http://www.leaderlive.co.uk/news/108304/charity-champ-s-arch-to-arch-marathon-cycle-ride.aspx>

**Wales On Line 17<sup>th</sup> November 2011**

Richard Wilkins, 21, from Acrefair, an apprentice with Broughton-based aerospace company Airbus, collected the apprentice of the year award. ...

<http://www.walesonline.co.uk/business-in-wales/business-news/2011/11/17/airbus-apprentice-s-award-proves-he-s-a-real-high-flyer-91466-29791197/>

**Waterways World 9th November 2011**

Plas Kynaston Canal Supporters urged to attend public meeting

<http://www.waterwaysworld.com/latestpost.cgi?post=2892>

**The Leader 9th November 2011**

Celebrations planned on the Olympic torch routes

<http://www.leaderlive.co.uk/news/107860/celebrations-planned-on-the-olympic-torch-routes.aspx>

**The Weekly Press 9th November 2011**

Living through war as a child: Glenys Leck's story of survival

<http://www.enfieldweeklypress.com/2011/11/08/living-through-war-as-a-child-glenys-lecks-story-of-survival>

**The Leader 8<sup>th</sup> November 2011**

Wrexham marina supporters urged to attend public meeting

<http://www.leaderlive.co.uk/news/107870/wrexham-marina-supporters-urged-to-attend-public-meeting.aspx>

**Wrexham.com 8<sup>th</sup> November 2011**

Olympic Torch to Pass Through Wrexham

<http://www.wrexham.com/news/olympic-torch-pass-wrexham-3420.html>

**The Leader 8<sup>th</sup> November 2011**

Olympic torch relay to pass through town

<http://www.leaderlive.co.uk/news/107832/olympic-torch-relay-to-pass-through-town.aspx>

**Wales on Line 8<sup>th</sup> November 2011**

Apprentices' awards shortlist 10 finalists

<http://www.walesonline.co.uk/business-in-wales/business-news/2011/11/08/apprentices-awards-shortlist-10-finalists-91466-29736918/>

**Canal Cuttings 6<sup>th</sup> November 2011**

Plas Kynaston Canal - A Lost Canal Byway with a Future

[www.canalcuttings.co.uk/llangollen-canal-Plas-Kynaston-Cana...](http://www.canalcuttings.co.uk/llangollen-canal-Plas-Kynaston-Cana...)

**Towpath Talk 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2011**

A lost canal byway with a future

<http://www.towpathtalk.co.uk/news/a-lost-canal-byway-with-a-future>

**The Daily Post 21<sup>st</sup> October 2011**

MPs clash over employment policies at Welsh Grand Committee Meeting in Wrexham

<http://www.dailypost.co.uk/news/north-wales-news/2011/10/21/mps-clash-over-employment-policies-at-welsh-grand-committee-meeting-in-wrexham-55578-29633746>

**The Daily Post 20<sup>th</sup> October 2011**

Wrexham Marina (PKC) Campaign vows to lobby MPs at Welsh Grand Committee Meeting

<http://www.dailypost.co.uk/news/north-wales-news/2011/10/20/wrexham-marina-campaign-vows-to-lobby-mps-55578-29627206>

**The Leader 12<sup>th</sup> October 2011**

Kim ready for mountain mission in memory of 'dad' Cyril

<http://www.leaderlive.co.uk/news/107039/kim-ready-for-mountain-mission-in-memory-of-dad-cyril.aspx>

**The Leader 12<sup>th</sup> October 2011**

Bosnian bridge renamed in honour of brave soldier Wayne Edwards

<http://www.leaderlive.co.uk/news/106952/bosnian-bridge-renamed-in-honour-of-brave-soldier-wayne.aspx>

**BBC News North East Wales 10<sup>th</sup> October 2011**

Bosnian honour for soldier Wayne Edwards

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-wales-north-east-wales-15237846>

**Crew Guardian 1<sup>st</sup> October 2011**

South Cheshire Ramblers head to North Wales

[http://www.crewguardian.co.uk/news/9276794.Ramblers\\_head\\_to\\_North\\_Wales/](http://www.crewguardian.co.uk/news/9276794.Ramblers_head_to_North_Wales/)

**Submitted by Pip Ellwood on Wed 28<sup>th</sup> September 2011**

Fron Male Voice Choir Join Christmas No 1 Race

<http://www.entertainment-focus.com/news/fron-male-voice-choir-join-christmas-no-1-race>

**Shropshire Star 19th September 2011**

The Whitchurch Waterways Trust is dedicated to promoting the regeneration and rebuilding of the Whitchurch arm of the Llangollen Canal.

<http://www.shropshirestar.com/news/2011/09/19/hundreds-have-fun-at-whitchurch-boat-rally/>

**Shropshire Star 12th September 2011**

Crowds descended on Ellesmere over the weekend for the 27th Ellesmere Festival and Boat Rally, which ran from Friday until yesterday.

<http://www.shropshirestar.com/news/2011/09/12/188424/>

**Daily Post 26<sup>th</sup> August 2011**

Fron choir get ovation in New York's St Patrick's Cathedral

<http://www.dailypost.co.uk/news/north-wales-news/2011/08/26/fron-choir-get-ovation-in-new-york-s-st-patrick-s-cathedral-55578-29303850/>

**Wigan Today 25<sup>th</sup> August 2011**

Boaters hit by canal vandalism

[http://www.wigantoday.net/news/local/boaters\\_hit\\_by\\_canal\\_vandalism\\_1\\_3704649](http://www.wigantoday.net/news/local/boaters_hit_by_canal_vandalism_1_3704649)

**The Leader 20<sup>th</sup> August 2011**

Team Xtreme, Gavin Davies mixed martial arts club organised a fight night at Flexsys, Cefn Mawr, on August 20th to raise funds for disabled toddler

<http://www.leaderlive.co.uk/news/105521/kind-helpers-all-out-effort-for-disabled-toddler.aspx>

**Waterscape 4<sup>th</sup> August 2011**

Trip along the Llangollen Canal

<http://www.waterscape.com/blog/authors/tony-lenten/llangollen-canal-in-july-2011>

**Daily Post 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2011**

North Wales rescue horse now has 200 friends on Facebook

<http://www.dailypost.co.uk/news/north-wales-news/2011/08/03/north-wales-rescue-horse-now-has-200-friends-on-facebook-55578-29167062/>

**The Leader 2<sup>nd</sup> August 2011**

Best buildings in Wrexham and Cefn Mawr honoured

<http://www.leaderlive.co.uk/news/104926/best-buildings-in-wrexham-honoured.aspx>

**News Wales 28<sup>th</sup> July 2011**

Cadw celebrates rich tapestry of North-East Wales at Eistedfodd and Cefn Mawr

<http://www.newswales.co.uk/?section=Culture&F=1&id=21966>

**Towpath Talk 25<sup>th</sup> July 2011**

Bid for vital Plas Kynaston link

<http://www.towpathtalk.co.uk/news/bid-for-vital-plas-kynaston-link->

**WalesOnline.co.uk 1<sup>st</sup> July 2011**

More tourists taking canal holidays in Wales

<http://www.walesonline.co.uk/news/wales-news/2011/07/01/more-tourists-taking-canal-holidays-in-wales-91466-28974300/>

**The BBC 1st July 2011**

Red Squirrels and residents of Cefn Mawr on even footing for Lottery Funding!

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-wales-south-east-wales-13976755>

**The Leader 27th June 2011**

MP and AM join forces to fight Cefn Mawr bank's closure

<http://www.leaderlive.co.uk/news/103782/mp-and-am-join-forces-to-fight-cefn-mawr-bank-s-closure.aspx>

**The Leader 15<sup>th</sup> June 2011**

Cefn Mawr's one and only Bank to close!!!

<http://www.leaderlive.co.uk/news/103317/we-ll-fight-to-keep-our-village-bank-vow-campaigners.aspx>

**Daily Post 6<sup>th</sup> June 2011**

Blueprint to transform region around Llangollen World Heritage Site

<http://www.dailypost.co.uk/news/north-wales-news/2011/06/06/blueprint-to-transform-region-around-llangollen-world-heritage-site-55578-28825953/>

**The Advertiser 10th May 2011**

Olympics event under starters' orders

<http://www.bordercountiesadvertiser.co.uk/sport/102129/oslympics-event-under-starters-orders.aspx>

**Daily Post 6th May 2011**

Tourism plan for Wrexham heritage site

<http://www.dailypost.co.uk/news/north-wales-news/2011/05/06/tourism-plan-for-wrexham-heritage-site-55578-28643565/>

**BBC North East Wales 5th May 2011**

Tourism vision for Pontcysyllte aqueduct heritage site

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-wales-north-east-wales-13280281>

**Plaid Leader Ieuan Wyn Jones at Cefn Mawr 20 April 2011**

Discussing the importance of Plas Kynaston Canal Group proposals

[http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=H38rK8Kgr\\_o](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=H38rK8Kgr_o)

**The Guardian 12<sup>th</sup> April 2011**

Report on the Pontcysyllte Aqueduct

<http://www.ivebeenthere.co.uk/tips/30360>

**The Wrexham Chamber of Trade & Tourism 8<sup>th</sup> April 2011**

Report of presentation regarding the proposed Plas Kynaston Canal and Marina at Cefn Mawr

<http://visitwrexham.org/wrexhamblog/entry/the-plas-kynaston-canal-group#comments>

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**Mabon ap Gwynfor, Plaid Cymru candidate for Clwyd South 8<sup>th</sup> March 2011**

Support for Cefn Mawr Marina sought from Government Minister 08.03.11

<http://mabonapgwynfor.wordpress.com/support-for-cefn-mawr-marina-sought-from-government-minister-08-03-11/>

**A journey along the Llangollen Canal 8 Mar 2011**

Uploaded by [madpanictv](#)

<http://www.youtube.com/user/madpanictv#p/a/u/1/X0HSVIZttjE>

**Shropshire Star 5<sup>th</sup> March 2011**

Olympic Torch to pass over Pontcysyllte Aqueduct

<http://www.shropshirestar.com/news/2011/03/05/2012-olympic-flame-to-pass-historic-sites/>

**Narrow Boat World 2nd March 2011**

Llangollen Canal marina support for PKC

<http://www.narrowboatworld.com/index.php/leatest/2917-llangollen-canal-marina-support>

**The Leader 1<sup>st</sup> March 2011**

The People of Cefn Mawr, Surrounding Villages and supporters of the PKC Group proposals gain a Clear Majority in the Wrexham County Borough Council Local Development Plan.

<http://www.leaderlive.co.uk/news/99527/public-throw-their-backing-behind-15m-wrexham-marina-plan.aspx>

**Wrexham Leader 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2011**

Cefn Viaduct may have been damaged by recent floodwaters. Divers to inspect footings, in River Dee.

<http://www.leaderlive.co.uk/news/99298/safety-fears-shock-for-crucial-railway-viaduct.aspx>

**The Leader 17<sup>th</sup> February 2011**

Tourist Guides required for the World Heritage Site Corridor

<http://www.leaderlive.co.uk/news/99122/guides-look-to-keep-tourists-flocking-in.aspx>

**The Leader 15<sup>th</sup> February 2011**

Expensive price tag for historic Wrexham bridge repairs

<http://www.leaderlive.co.uk/news/98952/expensive-price-tag-for-historic-wrexham-bridge-repairs.aspx>

### **The Leader 8<sup>th</sup> February 2011**

River Dee flash floods devastate farmer and sheep

<http://www.leaderlive.co.uk/news/98655/farmer-devastated-as-prize-flock-dies-in-freak-weather.aspx>

### **Wales on Line 8<sup>th</sup> February 2011**

Forecasters' warning to avoid floodwaters

<http://www.walesonline.co.uk/news/wales-news/2011/02/08/forecasters-warning-to-avoid-floodwaters-91466-28130890/>

### **The Flintshire Chronicle 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2011**

Boost for North East Wales Tourism backed by the Welsh Assembly Government

<http://www.flintshirechronicle.co.uk/flintshire-news/flintshire-business-news/2011/02/03/wag-project-aims-to-boost-flintshire-and-north-wales-tourism-51352-28102847/>

### **BBC North East Wales 27<sup>th</sup> January 2011**

Flexsys workers told Cefn Mawr jobs safe until 2015 but then...

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-wales-north-east-wales-12295628>

### **Wales on Line 27<sup>th</sup> January 2011**

Fifty jobs given two year stay of execution at Wrexham chemical plant

<http://www.walesonline.co.uk/news/local-news/wrexham/2011/01/27/fifty-jobs-given-two-year-stay-of-execution-at-wrexham-chemical-plant-91466-28063396/>

### **The Guardian 26<sup>th</sup> January 2011**

Closure of the Wrexham & Shropshire Rail Service

<http://www.guardian.co.uk/uk/2011/jan/26/wrexham-and-shropshire-railways-close>

Please note the Cefn & Cefn Mawr covers all the villages at the central section of the Pontcysyllte World Heritage Site consisting of Cefn Mawr (leading commercial centre), Cefn Bychan, Rhosymedre, Plas Madoc, Acrefair, Garth, Trevor, Cysyllte, Froncysyllte, Pentre, and Newbridge. The total population is approximately 10,000 and is the largest community in the WHS corridor.