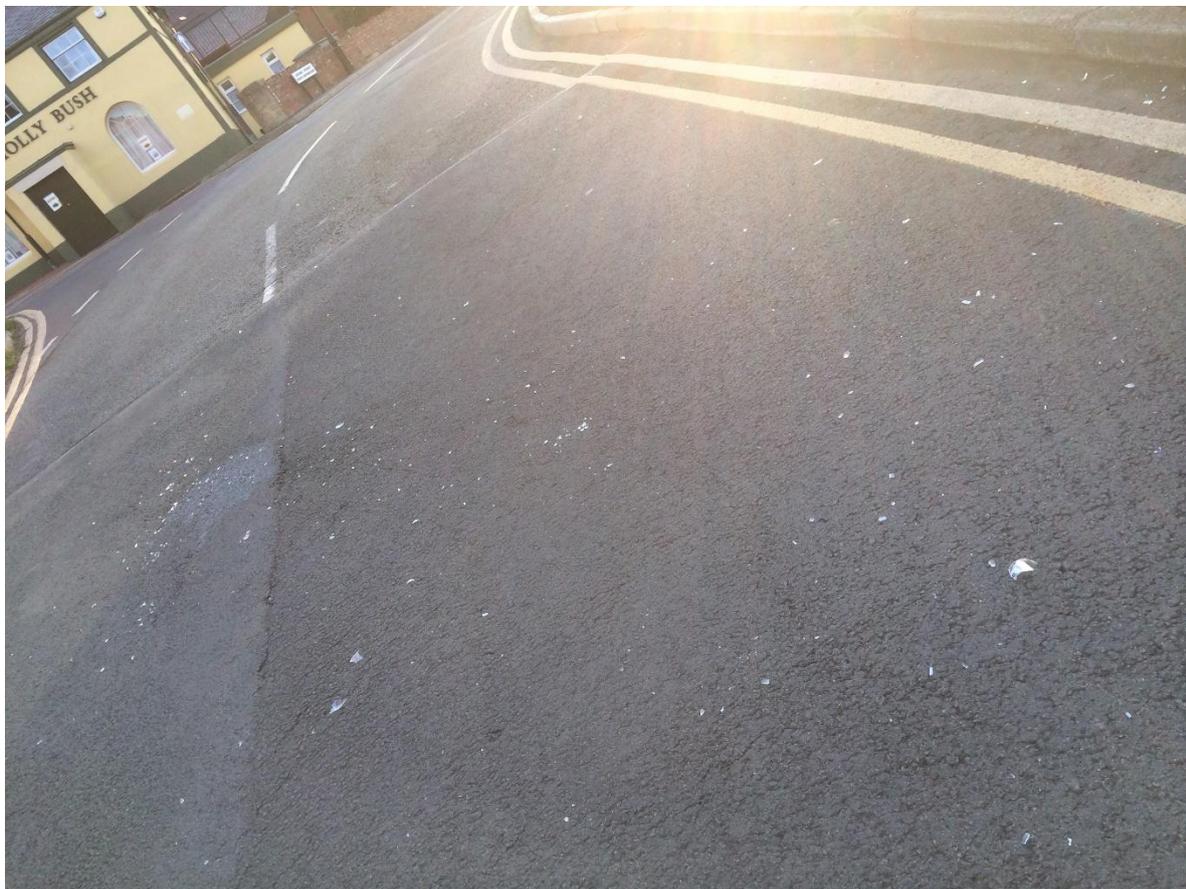


Following the reopening of our Beer Garden at the centre of our community on 13th of July 2020 we must unfortunately report a series of ASB incidents to the relevant authorities. Unfortunately, in most instances we can not name individuals but can make a good estimation of the source of the problem through the evidence cleaned up.

Sunday 26th of July 2020



Broken glass spread all over the road at the top of Hill Street approaching the Holly Bush Inn at 0600 in the morning.

I was concerned that this would give our pub a bad name and could be reported to the local licencing authority, which could bring our licence into question.

Most people would associate this with our pub but this is not the case at all. I and my granddaughter cleaned this up when we arrived at our pub at 0600 to continue renovation works on our pub.



Closer inspection of the debris revealed that the broken glass was in fact broken Corona Extra beer bottles. This is not a product sold on our premises but is a main line at Tesco just beyond our pub along Oxford Street and this brand of beer has been sold on special offer recently.

Monday the 27th of July 2020



Monday morning and cleaning up more Corona Larger broken beer bottles this time on Oxford Street, the Cefn Mawr bypass built to serve Tesco. Please note Tesco is the only other licenced retailer of alcohol on this road apart from the Holly Bush Inn.



Unfortunately, again these beer bottles are being smashed near our pub and most people traveling along the road by car will be given a bad and false impression of our pub. This could lead to complaints and our licence called into question.

Therefore we are asking for site visits to clearly identify the cause of the problem which has nothing to do with our premises.

Friday the 31st of July 2020

Despite conducting a thorough litter pick of Oxford Street, Hill Street and Well Street on the morning of the 31st of July, yet more broken glass was seen on Oxford Street opposite to the Holly Bush Inn during a PCSO visit at 1800 that day.



The broken glass in this case was a bottle of Newcastle Brown Ale which is not a product sold at our premises but is on sale at Tesco just down the road. After speaking to our staff, it became apparent that the individual responsible in this case had been to our pub and threw the bottle across Oxford Street from our pub after we had refused to serve him.



The said individual (he is unknown to us) with the bottle of Newcastle Ale before throwing the full bottle across Oxford Street. Fortunately, at that time there was no oncoming traffic on this busy road.

Perhaps if the Police can apprehend this individual he can supply the details of where he bought the bottle of ale from, as he was clearly not in a fit state to be served when he turned up at the Holly Bush Inn.

The police and licencing are welcome to review our CCTV.



Cleaning broken glass that has nothing to do with our pub. If we have any breakages, they are cleaned up immediately and most of our product 90% is sold in beer glasses. Furthermore, our Environmental Policy ensures that for the limited quantity of bottled & canned product we do sell, 99% is recycled and not spread around our community.

Tuesday the 23rd of July 2020.



On a short walk from our house in Froncysyllte down Gate Road to Bont Bridge, across the bridge and up to Trevor Basin and then back over the Pontcysyllte Aqueduct and along the canal, taking 45 minutes the above litter collection was made including the shopping bags. This was only picking up what was immediately visible as I, my Wife and Granddaughter walked along.

However, the rubbish reveals some interesting facts about what is going on and downfalls of the present licencing system.

- This litter was strewn around the centre of the Pontcysyllte World Heritage Site in one of the most picturesque places in Wales.
- The volume of alcohol beverage containers can be clearly seen
- The four-empty can of San Miguel were found in the Tesco bag at the old Mill down by the River Dee where a gathering had taken place. To us as publicans this would indicate underage drinking. Questions should be asked about such.

Sunday the 19th of July 2020



I and my Granddaughter went for a bicycle ride and crossed the River Dee at New Bridge. I suggested that we stop and look to see if we could see any fish, as when I was a child, we could even see salmon running at the right time of year.

When we looked all, she could spot was a beer bottle. If we could see one beer bottle just below us at New Bridge, how many thousands more beer bottles are littering the River Dee bed? Apart from the litter these represent a health and safety risk to marine life and anyone using the river, fishermen, canoeists, and swimmers because of the broken glass.

Then of course the plastic bottles are floating down stream to join the sea and oceans adding to the global pollution. What kind of world are we leaving for our children and grandchildren? And is it any wonder why the salmon are now seldom seen?

Bin Day – Monday the 27th of July.



After over 100 days of lockdown and our pub being closed Veolia came to empty our bin. Please note our bin is approximately 1m3. Since reopening our beer garden on the 13th of July, we had had to take our garbage to the Plas Madoc as there was no more room in our bin. During the 100 days of lockdown we had continued to maintain our premises and beer garden in preparation for reopening. This involved picking up all the litter including all the beer cans and bottles dumped over our wall. We had written to the Cefn Community Council about the litter problem before the Corona Virus Pandemic but have not received any response to date.

Please note that 50% of the volume of this bin is occupied by garbage from our local supermarket, Tesco, just down the road from the Holly Bush Inn.