



Agenda

Regeneration, Events & Museum Committee – Wednesday 6th May 2026 @ 5pm (via Zoom)

1. Welcome and apologies.

2. Declarations of interest.

To receive disclosures of personal interests from members:

***Note:** Members are requested to identify the item number and subject matter to which their interest relates and to signify the nature of the personal interest; and where Members withdraw from the meeting as a consequence of the disclosure of a personal interest, they must notify the Chair when they leave.*

3. Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015

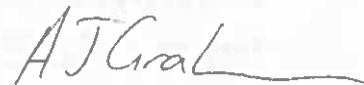
To note the Well Being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 imposes a duty on public bodies including the Town Council to carry out sustainable development in accordance with the sustainable development principle and to act in a manner which seeks to ensure that the needs of the present are met without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs.

4. Chief Executive's Report. (pages 1-5)
- 4.1 Menopause Event Budget
4.2 Ponty & Proud Board - Nominations
4.3 Christmas Event 2026

Committee Members

Councillor L. Davies
Councillor J. Brencher
Councillor C. Morgan
Councillor H. Fychan
Councillor M. Powell
Councillor E. Griffiths

Councillor S. Presse
Councillor A. Kabid
Councillor L. Tomkinson
Councillor C. Thomas
Councillor L. Lewis
Councillor C. Lises



Chief Executive/Town Clerk
29th April 2026

***The zoom link for the meeting is available on request by emailing
info@pontypriddtowncouncil.gov.uk***

Please Note

If there are any specific details you wish to raise regarding, for example, background information or require additional detail, it would greatly assist if you could contact the office in advance so that the information and answers can be made available at the Meeting.

Chief Executive's Report

Regeneration, Events and Museum – 6th May 2026

1. Menopause Event Budget

Cllr Lises who runs the Menopause event has requested a small increase in the budget from £500 to £750 for the current year only. On the basis of feedback received she would like to add:

“(i) A session on managing menopause for those who are neurodivergent - one issue at a time is difficult to cope with - the two together is a different challenge altogether.

“(ii) A session on 'Preparing for Menopause' for those aged 35-50 - as in - pre-symptoms. There is a lot you can do to get ready, for e.g., appropriate exercise, diet etc.

This would be on top of Tai Chi and Chat and Nutrition for Menopause. Both of which are always popular and well received - as well as important.”

If agreed the increase will allow her to book speakers for these additional sessions. The events will be run on 3 Saturdays in October and the sessions will generally last between 1 and 2 hours.

DECISION REQUIRED:

Whether to approve the increase to the budget.

2. Ponty & Proud Board – Nominations (pages 3-5)

In the previous meeting Members requested that the Councillors nominating the individuals attend the next Committee meeting to present their nominations in person to ensure fairness between all nominees.

The nomination emails are attached for members reference.

DECISION REQUIRED:

To confirm to the Chief Executive which name(s) will be added to the Board.

3. Christmas Event 2026

There was some discussion previously about the date for the Christmas Lights Switch On event in November 2026. Members asked the Chief Executive to elicit views from RCT and The Market Company/Chair of BID.

No response has been received from the Chair of BID/The Market Company despite a follow up email being sent. RCT have commented they do not see a great difference in which day it is held. ST also observed that he thought a Christmas event may have been held on a Saturday in 2017/18 (before the current Chief Executive) and that traffic had been a problem and that some businesses were for it and some against as there was limited space in which to locate attractions/entertainment as most businesses were open/trading on the Saturday during the day. He noted the challenges of holding a large event in town where the infrastructure is not specifically set up for such events to be held during the day. Our event currently runs from early evening as the darkness sets in and works well in terms of staff availability.

DECISION REQUIRED:

To confirm the current date (Friday 20th November) or whether this will be switched to Saturday 21st.

From: Chris Roberts chris.roberts@pontypriddtowncouncil.gov.uk 
Subject: Re: Ponty & Proud Board - 2026
Date: 28 January 2026 at 18:46
To: Tony Graham tony.graham@pontypriddtowncouncil.gov.uk

CR

Good evening Tony, I would like to nominate Dr Geoff Lloyd for the Ponty & Proud board.

Over 20 years ago Dr Lloyd was the driving force behind the founding of the PONT- Mbale link, which was formed by building direct personal relationships between the communities of Pontypridd and Mbale, this expanded to encompass the whole of RCT.

Links were put in place which would positively impact and enrich the lives of both communities, in Mbale, health provision, Education, the environment amongst others.

From the beginning, the aim of the partnership was not to impose an agenda of our making but to facilitate and provide support practically, for the local community to develop and grow, through training, donating, through teams visiting, at their own expense, to provide practical support to local leaders. Many local and national leaders have visited Mbale, such as Carwyn Jones, Jayne Davidson and Owen Smith, they have both seen and spoken passionately of the way in which PONT has provided such an impactful and lasting imprint on the lives of many thousands of individuals in Mbale.

I could continue to provide examples of how lives have been touched by this link, I know that Councillor Brencher has visited on a number of occasions and she has spoken powerfully and publicly in endorsing the tremendous work that has been done and continues to be done amongst communities which are numbered as some of the poorest in that region.

Behind the work of PONT, there are many volunteers and unsung heroes but the beating heart of the vision is Dr Geoff Lloyd, without his tireless commitment and absolute dedication to this cause, PONT would never have been born and continues to grow. Geoff has never sought praise or recognition, for Geoff, he is simply doing what he feels is right. If any individual deserves a place on the Ponty and Proud board, I believe it is Dr Geoff Lloyd.

I would consider it a privilege, to nominate him for this award.

Best regards, Chris.

Sent from [Outlook for iOS](#)

From: Tony Graham <tony.graham@pontypriddtowncouncil.gov.uk>
Sent: Tuesday, January 6, 2026 12:12:35 PM
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Cc: Carol Hindley <carol.hindley@pontypriddtowncouncil.gov.uk>
Subject: Ponty & Proud Board - 2026

P'nawn Da Pawb / Good Afternoon All,

As you are aware we have a protocol for nominations to the Ponty & Proud Board each year which has been agreed by the Regeneration, Events and Museum Committee.

If Members wish to nominate anyone for the Board they should write to me via email by the end of January with their nominations. The e-mail should provide details of the person(s), their connection with Pontypridd and our reasoning as to why they should be included on the Board.

Any nominations would be considered at the next meeting of the R, E & M Committee (2nd March) and if there are multiple nominations a decision would be made by the Committee.

Therefore, could I ask anyone who intends to nominate an individual to let me have that nomination by 31st January please.

Regards/Cofion

Tony Graham MSc FSLCC
Chief Executive / Town Clerk
Pontypridd Town Council

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From: Steve Powderhill Steve.Powderhill@pontypriddtowncouncil.gov.uk
Subject: Ponty and proud board
Date: 6 January 2026 at 13:16
To: Tony Graham tony.graham@pontypriddtowncouncil.gov.uk

CP

Dear Tony,

I am writing to respectfully propose that Alyn Wallace, a young man born in Pontypridd, be considered posthumously for the Ponty and Proud Board in recognition of his extraordinary achievements and enduring legacy. Alyn travelled the world as an internationally award-winning and renowned astro photographer and author. Wherever his career took him, he never forgot his roots and consistently promoted his beloved Pontypridd and Welsh heritage. His work was instrumental in the promotion and instigation of "Dark Skies" locally, he was widely featured by the BBC, and frequently used in international advertising campaigns by multinational companies.

Beyond his professional accomplishments, Alyn was an avid and inspirational tutor, guiding hundreds of budding astro photographers and leaving a lasting impact on the global community of enthusiasts. Tragically, he passed away at the age of 34 due to multi-organ failure following illness that weakened his immune system, while living and working in Istanbul.

He is survived by his parents and brother, who remain in Pontypridd. His inclusion for this award would bring immense comfort and pride to his family, myself, and the many people who continue to feel the loss of his passing. Honouring him would not only celebrate his remarkable contributions but also inspire future generations in our community.

Thank you for considering this proposal.

Cllr Steve Powderhill

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