LLANDEILO & DISTRICT CIVIC TRUST SOCIETY

NEWSLETTER AND UPDATE JUNE 2011

First, an important reminder:

The Annual General Meeting of the Society is on Wednesday 9 July at the Civic Hall in Llandeilo at 7pm. Please do all you can to be there. As always, the AGM business will last around thirty minutes, and followed by a public lecture. We are delighted to welcome as our Guest Speaker, Judith Alfrey, CADW's Head of Regeneration and Conservation. Judith, introduced by our present Chairman Gwilym Hughes, will be talking about her work on urban characterization of towns throughout Wales.

Sainsbury's Proposal

In May we asked our membership, then standing at 80 in number, in an initial mailed referendum whether or not, or undecided, they wished to have a medium-sized Sainsbury's supermarket built on the edge of our town. Only 50% of the membership replied and our returning officer announced: For - 26, Against - 11, Undecided - 3.

When the full plans have been submitted and they are in the public domain, the committee will consider another referendum amongst our growing membership to gauge the response to the detailed application, together with architectural plans when available.

The Combined Schools Issue

The Committee is less than happy with the proposed site for the new combined school at Ffairfach, but wherever it is sited the outcome for Llandeilo as a town will be the same; an increase in traffic and buses through the town twice a day. Llandeilo already has one of the highest pollution levels from traffic fumes in its main street, and the present proposal will only make matters worse; yet another argument in favour of a relief road! The committee will be making their views known, but individual members are urged to express their concerns to The Highways Agency, County Council and the AM.

The King's Bridge Centenary

Another reminder - Do you have any photographic memorabilia or artefacts relating to the history of the bridge? If you have, please let us now. Our mail box is on the wall in the foyer of the Shire Hall.

THE MEMBERSHIP AND THE LAMINATOR

At last we have a laminator of our own and are able to produce the latest batch of membership cards. Thank you for your patience if you are awaiting one. The cards will be available after the AGM and lecture when we will be collecting the membership fee for 2011/2012 and we hope that you all will join us for a glass of wine and supper food.

* FOR YOUR DIARY

Wednesday 21 September meeting at 7.30pm. Our Guest Speaker will be Dr John Davies who will speak on *The History of Golden Grove and the Cawdors*.

Wednesday 23 November meeting at 7.30pm. Our Guest Speaker will be Jacqui Kedward who will speak on *A Vision for Dinefwr*. She is the Property Manager of Carmarthenshire at the National Trust.

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