

DO YOU KNOW WHO YOUR GROVESEND AND WAUNGRON COMMUNITY COUNCILLORS ARE?

Each Community Councillor answered the following 3 questions: -

- i) What do you do for a living?
- ii) Why did you decide to become a Community Councillor?
- iii) What do you like to do in your spare time?



David Merriman

I am a retired local authority officer, I have lived in the village for over 46 years. I became a community councillor as I believe that any changes made to the village should be decided by the people who live here and not by others who have no interest. I am also a trustee of the Grovesend Miners welfare trust and a Pengelli Primary school governor. What spare time I have is spent watching sport and DIY.

Brian Davies

Now retired. Joined the Community Council to try and improve the Welfare of the people living and working in Grovesend and Waungron. Walking, Cycling, Reading and watching a variety of Sports are amongst my Hobbies and Pastimes.

Carey Knox

I work full time (not hopefully for much longer!), and I am at present the Manager of Peter Alan estate Agents in Gorseinon, I have been involved in Estate Agency for over 30 years. I have been sitting on the community council for many years and I am one of the longest serving members.

I initially wanted to join in order to 'make a difference' within the community, we had many issues within the village when I joined, and I wanted to look out for and help the community in any way I could, and also be a part of improving facilities within the village, which I think over the last few years has happened, and will, I am sure continue to do so. My hobby is commentating, I have been doing this in my spare time since age 16.

Dai Cole

I am a retired EHS Manager having worked for 3M Company for 34 years. I decided to become a Community Councillor to try to improve peoples' lives locally. I am an avid walker.

David Gwynn

I am retired. Used to be a teacher, civil servant, market gardener. Now I dabble in stamp dealing. Got persuaded to become a Community Councillor by a neighbour. Local history if any spare time is ever available.

Helen Talaat

Headteacher of Pengelli Primary School. I believe that the school is a vital part of the Community and it is important that we are seen as active participants in the life of Grovesend. I see my role on the Community Council as representing children and parents at the school if they want someone to speak on their behalf.

Sue Morgan

Director of Krislyn Motors Limited based in Grovesend. Have been a Community Councillor for over 20 years and became a councillor to try and make improvements in the village. My hobbies are showing dogs and travelling to support Swansea City Football Club.

Leighton Jones

Proprietor of an Equestrian Centre. Interested and to help the Community in all ways possible. Member of the indoor/outdoor Swansea Bowls Club.

Aaran Hamilton

Director of Hamiltons Contracting Services Wales Ltd. Local family business - established in the village since 1955. Became a Community Councillor to see where the local budget was being spent and to try and make improvements around the village. Also believed that it was time for a younger generations views. My interests/hobbies include agricultural shows, road rally's and various charity events.

Michael Jones

Brian Moon

Now retired. Joined the Community Council serve the community to the best of my ability. In my spare time I like to restore all types of cars.

Jan Curtice

I am one of the County Councillors for Penyrheol Ward. I became a councillor to try and make a difference for the residents of our ward. I am also a member of local town council and also Recycled Teenagers club for old age.

Andrew Stevens

I am Dairy Farmer at Llannant Farm in Penyrheol, where my family have lived and worked for over 75 years. We also used to farm at Allt-Y-Graban prior to it becoming a local golf course. In addition to this, I am a County Councillor for Penyrheol, Grovesend & Waungron. The main reason I got involved with my local Town Council is because I have always been interested in local politics and in 2012 I decided to stand because I felt I could make a difference in our community. In addition to spending time with my wife and daughter, I like to build PC's and design websites as well as playing for Loughor Rugby Club. I am also very active in the community and enjoy volunteering at Food with Friends, a free community meal held in Gorseinon and have put on a number of charity fundraisers, which I'm proud to say have raised over £9000 for the cardiac unit in Morriston.

For further information why not visit our website at:

www.grovesendandwaungron.org.uk

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email@grovesendwaungron.org.uk

WOULD YOU LIKE TO SEE A WAR MEMORIAL OF THE PAST RESIDENTS OF GROVESEND?

Grovesend and Waungron Community Council have decided on an upcoming project to display the war memorial of past residents of Grovesend within the village and would like your views on where you would like this to be. One option is at the end of Box Road where the gabion wall is. Do you agree? We are

also seeking any ideas that you might have on what kind of display you would like it to be and the material you would like to see used. All ideas are welcome. Please send your ideas to email@grovesendwaungron.org.uk or contact Yvonne on 07989 414440. Many thanks

FRIENDS OF THE PARK



Following a leaflet drop by our community council last August, a public meeting was held regarding our park. Following on from that original meeting the attendees agreed to form a new committee namely "Friends of Golden Grove Park".

Since the reformation of this group, we have held 2 successful fundraising events (Xmas tree and Easter fun day) and raised nearly £1000. (Thanks to the community council and local councillors Jan Curtis & Andrew Stevens for their continued support in both events).

Our primary aim is to change the village playground surface area to BE A SAFE environment for the children of our community to play. Additionally, we aim to upgrade our park and facilities to make it more functional for all age groups and disabilities in all areas of our park.

The purpose of the improvement of our village playground is to attract greater use of the whole park and consistent family events in our village park.

We appreciate all input and support from our community. Please look out for future events in our park.

Many thanks

Hywel Richards
Chairman

PENGELLI PRIMARY SCHOOL

HIGHLY EFFECTIVE SCHOOLS

- Have a track record in sustaining a high level of outcomes
- Know themselves well and identify and implement priorities
- Demonstrate resilience at all levels
- Are rewarded with greater autonomy
- Will be challenged to move towards or sustain excellence
- Have the capacity to lead and to contribute to support

Pengelli Primary remains a vital part of the community. Those of you involved with the school will know that we are growing on an annual basis - indeed for the first time ever, we are having to turn children away from some year groups.

Our last inspection was in January 2017 and the report can be read online - <https://www.estyn.gov.wales/provider/pengelli-primary-school>. We are justifiably proud of the report and particularly our reputation for safeguarding and wellbeing.

The school has been categorised as a green school for the last four years

We believe that the school is a vital part of the community and the community has a vital role to play in the life of the school. All of our stakeholders are valued and we are always happy to hear your views.

Please look out for any future events - we try to advertise locally as much as we can

Helen Talaat
Headteacher

SUMMER FAYRE and COMMUNITY WALK

SATURDAY 16 JUNE 2018



**WOULD YOU LIKE TO TAKE PART IN OUR COMMUNITY WALK,
FOLLOWED BY SUMMER FAYRE AND THEN TO FINISH OFF WITH A FAMILY DISCO?
AND LOTS, LOTS MORE TO DO AND SEE**

PROGRAMME FOR THE DAY

- 10:30** Registration and collection of sponsor sheets
- 11:00** Community Walk
- 13:30** School Fayre
- 17:30** Family Disco

COMMUNITY WALK - to bring residents of Grovesend and Waungron together and engage with our local community.

SCHOOL FAYRE - Pengelli Primary Schools yearly school fayre

FAMILY DISCO - Finish off the day and watch your children dance the evening away!!!!

UPCOMING EVENTS - SUMMER SPORTS DAY

(FRIENDS OF THE PARK EVENT) - DATE TBC JULY/AUGUST

PENGELLI SPORTS & SOCIAL CLUB - 27 MAY 2018 - BAND 'PUNCHLINE' - TIME TBC