

10 January 2025

Dear All,

it is with deep regret that the members of the Management Committee, in unanimous agreement with the Trustees of the Llangarron Community Association (LCA), have had to make the difficult decision to temporarily suspend all activities held at the Garron Centre. This suspension pertains to all activities, including LCA Cafes, pub nights, music events, quizzes, and evening talks, all private bookings for classes (i.e., baby massage, yoga), all private hires including for parties, funerals/wakes, Repair Cafe and Archenfield events.

The decision was made following failure to have a renewed lease agreed and approved by the Diocesan and Trustee signatories within 3 months of the expiry of the original 10-year lease. From September, the LCA has held joint events with the PCC on a per event approval basis up until the end of November. This situation is no longer tenable, as we need a formal written lease agreement in place to renew our public liability insurance mid-January.

We are hopeful that an interim agreement may be approved by the Diocese to enable us to continue. However, it is unclear as to whether this is a legally viable option. We are awaiting feedback from the Diocese and will update you as and when we receive further information.

Meantime, I will be informing all hires that their bookings have been cancelled, and full refunds will be made to them. No further bookings will be taken until this situation is resolved. We are investigating alternative spaces to hire for the community cafe and are planning a tentative calendar of events for when we can proceed at the Garron Centre. It is important that this unique community venue continues to be available for the benefit of all.

On behalf of the LCA please accept our sincere apologies for the inconvenience that this has caused.

Helen Edwards

Chair of the LCA Management Committee

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