

Update from Cllr Ellis

As agreed at our recent meeting, I contacted Tomos from the Welsh Ambulance regarding the defibrillators in the Trefriw area, and have just had an interesting chat with him.

The defib at **Nant BH** is owned and cared for by the education centre there.

The defib at the **Nant Rugby Club** is owned and cared for by them.

The defib at **Crafnant Lake cafe** was purchased and cared for by Chris Hovey. Chris has recently moved away to Scotland, so Tomos will contact him to see what arrangements are to be made for this one.

The defibs at the Village Hall, the Princes Arms, Roualeyn Nursery and Llanrhychwyn phone box were all purchased by public fundraising following the death of Martin Dale. Tomos has been looking after these.

However, Tomos is stretched in this full time role and will be contacting the clerk to ask for the community council to take over the simple checks every 90 days. I can't see why we can't take over this simple visual check between us all.

He also said that the defibs have a life span, and will probably need to be replaced in 15 – 17 years at a current cost of £800 each. We will have 4 to replace (or 5 if we take over the Crafnant cafe one) and they were all installed within 6 months of each other, so could all need replacing at the same time (if we choose to retain them at that point). We have agreed that it would be prudent to start building a reserve for when these approach their useful lifespan. 5 defibs @ £800 would require £4,000, so we would need to reserve about £250 p.a. starting with next year's budget.

He's going to email the clerk address initially then we can take this to full council for consideration.