# **DONATION REQUEST 1 -** Tenovus Cancer Care request for financial support

Dear Chair of Council

Living with cancer can be worrying and stressful. But Tenovus Cancer Care can help.

We understand what it is to live with cancer and how it affects families and friends too. We're here with information, advice, practical and emotional support so that people can take back some control of their life and live as well as possible with cancer

We're Wales' leading cancer charity and together with volunteers, professionals, supporters and fundraisers we're determined to be here for everyone affected today, tomorrow and beyond.

At Tenovus Cancer Care, our experienced nurses are available every day on our **free Support Line (0808 808 1010).** They answer questions not only from cancer patients, but also from those with worrying symptoms and those concerned about the effects of their treatment.

Your support would mean that our free Support Line will be open 365 days a year. Our nurses bring comfort and hope to people like Ginny: "I felt like our calls were a moment to sit down and reflect on where I was going and what I'd been through, and what was normal and not normal about it all."

We need your support so that we can continue to support those affected by cancer. You can read more about our vital services and how your support will help in our communities across the country at tenovuscancercare.org.uk.

If you are able to donate and help us to continue to support cancer patients, please call **029 2076 8850** or click <u>here</u> to give whatever you can. For your information, you can find an overview of our charity accounts by visiting this webpage <u>here.</u>

Please do not hesitate to get in touch if you have any questions about our work.

Thank you and very best wishes,

### **Mhairi Jones**

Rheolwr Codi Arian a Ymgyrchoedd Fundraising & Campaigns Manager

## **DONATION REQUEST 2 - Urdd National Eisteddfod Sir Gaerfyrddin 2023**

October 2022

To: Town and Community Councils

Dear Clerk

Urdd National Eisteddfod Sir Gaerfyrddin 2023 (Carmarthenshire)

As you are aware, the Urdd National Eisteddfod in 2023 will be held in Llandovery, Camarthenshire and the hard work of organising the event has already commenced with numerous committees being formed. The festival annually attracts up tp 100,000 visitors and 55,000 competitors and is regarded as the largest youth festival of its kind in Europe. In order to sustain a successful festival, we are dependant on the support of individuals, organisations and institutions on a local and national level. But without local support, it would not be possible for us to stage the festival in its present form. Support is paramount to its success both practical and financial. The Urdd Eisteddfod in 2023 will cost in the region of £2.1million.

There are numerous benefits to the County which stages the event, both cultural and artistic benefits along with the once in a lifetime opportunities for the children and young people of the area. But there is also a substantial economic benefit. Research by the Arad Company 2018 shows that hosting the Urdd Eisteddfod brings an economic value of £11.5 million to the area.

Over the past year, local appeal committees have been established all over the County to stage fundraising events and to raise awareness. Numerous Councils have already donated and we are most grateful for the support, but if your Council has not yet contributed, we would kindly ask you to consider a financial contribution to assist your local appeal committee in order to ensure the success of the Urdd National Eisteddfod in 2023.

We are also require an army of volunteer workers to ensure that we have enough stewards, etc. Any assistance would be appreciated and more information is on our website ww.urdd.cymru/eisteddfod

I would like to thank you for your time and hopefully you will draw the councillors attention to the festival and that you will support the Eisteddfod. If you have any further enquiries, please feel free to contact me.

Yours sincerely

Siân Eirian

Director of the Eisteddfod and Arts

# **DONATION REQUEST 3 - Urdd Gobaith Cymru**

To the Attention of Town and Community Councils, Conwy

Dear Clerk,

On behalf of the Regional Committee of Urdd Gobaith Cymru in Conwy, I am writing to you to kindly ask you to consider a contribution to help with the costs of the Urdd here in Conwy.

The costs of the region increase annually and with almost 3000 Members the demands also increase. We annually hold fun and appealing activities for children and young people such as Arts workshops, Surfing, fun nights, Jambori, Community groups for Primary and secondary ages and language awareness sessions, the list goes on. These activities all work on a defecit and depend on donations. We also run residential trips to Glan-llyn, Llangrannog and Cardiff as well as day trips and overseas visits. In addition to this there are our Local and Area Eisteddfods. There are five Local Eisteddfods and five Regional Eisteddfod sin Conwy.

We rely on donations annually but unfortunately this does not match our costs. So we kindly ask you to consider a donation to allow us to continue to carry out all the above activities. Your donation will also help us to offer a wide range of activities for the children and young people of Conwy.

If you would like to support us, any cheque should be written payable to:- Urdd Gobaith Cymru and sent to me at the address below please. Every penny will stay in Conwy and benefit the Region and our communities.

With thanks,

Miss Elin Mair Jones Conwy Community Officer Urdd Gobaith Cymru Swyddfa'r Urdd,

Uned 2, Tŷ Panton, Dinbych LL16 3T

#### **DONATION REQUEST 4 – Dawns i Bawb**

Dear Community Council,

Dawns i Bawb is a registered charitable company whose purpose isto provide an education and community dance programme that is culturally relevant to the communities of Conwy, Gwynedd and Ynys Môn. One of our aims is to make dance participation available and affordable for everyone. Since Dawns i Bawb started in 1989 the company has increased interest in dance within the three counties. We offer a variety of activity that include specific educational work in schools, sessions with older people and people with disabilities, parents and toddler groups, children's classes and older people living with Dementia.

As one of the only community dance organisations in Wales working primarily through the medium of Welsh, we have a role and responsibility to maintain strong and empowering dance provision in the Welsh language, and we believe that dance can be a positive art form for all communities to explore and celebrate their language and identity. Compared to other forms of art, dance has been treated as second rate in the past. But as an art form, dance achieves many of the Government's agendas: health, promoting exercise, tackling obesity, promoting wellbeing, offering opportunities for young people, improving discipline and respect, promoting diversity and social inclusion and uniting communities.

Dawns i Bawb has been through challenging times during the Pandemic and have been through a huge learning curve since the first lock down and we have had to focus on changing our way of working with our communities. During the last financial year we delivered 499 sessions which were attended by 7073 people of all ages and abilities, presented a Christmas Performance for 509 audiences.

Dance in Education: We worked with schools during 2021 online, but now we have returned to delivering some new and exciting tailor-made projects to introduce schools to the Expressive Arts in the new Curriculum using dance to create positive experiences through developing choreography, team building skills, creation and performance which have led on to further work in the class room and showing the potential that dance has across the curriculum. We have or will be visiting the following schools this year.

Ysgol Hirael Bangor Gwynedd, Ysgol Nebo Gwynedd, Ysgol Treferthyr Cricieth Gwynedd, Ysgol Llanbedr Gwynedd, Ysgol Pentreuchaf Gwynedd, Ysgol Talysarn Gwynedd, Ysgol Brynaerau, Gwynedd, Ysgol Y Garreg, Gwynedd, Ysgol Glangegin Gwynedd, Ysgol Waunfawr, Gwynedd, Ysgol Rhostryfan, Gwynedd, Ysgol Brynsiencyn, Ynys Môn, Ysgol Cerrigydrudion, Conwy, Ysgol Bro Idris, Gwynedd. Ysgol Llanfechell, Ynys Môn, Ysgol Bro Plenydd, Gwynedd, Ysgol Foelgron Mynytho, Gwyneddi, Ysgol Eifion Wyn, Porthmadog Gwynedd, Conway Centres Llanfairpwll, Ysgol Santes Dwynwen Niwbwrch Ynys Môn, Ysgol Yr Eifl, Trefor, Gwynedd Ysgol Gwaun Gynfi, Deiniolen, Gwynedd Ysgol Parc y Bont, Llanddaniel Ynys Môn, Ysgol Rhostryfan, Gwynedd, Ysgol Borth y Gest, Gwynedd, Ysgol Rhosybol, Ynys Môn, Ysgol Felinwnda a Llandwrog Gwynedd. Ysgol Sarn Bach, Gwynedd, Ysgol Godre'r Berwyn Y Bala Gwynedd, Ysgol Llandygai, Bangor Gwynedd, Ysgol Penybryn Tywyn, Gwynedd, Ysgol Dyffryn Ardudwy, Harlech, Gwynedd

During the Summer we visited libraries, nurseries and parent and toddler groups. We visited the following libraries during the Summer with sessionsfor parents and toddlers to develop Welsh language skills through dancing, storytelling and music: Pwllheli, Barmouth, Dolgellau and Porthmadog. Canolfan Deulu Dolgellau, Plas Pawb Caernarfon, Caban Barnados, Blaenau Ffestiniog, Busy B's Treborth, Bangor, Meithrinfa Deryn Bach Tywyn, Meithrinfa Seren Fach Brithdir Dolgellau, Meithrinfa Ogwen, Bethesda, Meithrinfa Blagur Rhydyclafdy, Pwllheli, Meithrinfa Pitian Patian Llanwnda, Oasis Abermaw, Meithrinfa Dwylo Da Penygroes, Meithrinfa Hen Ysgol Porthmadog, Meithrinfa Jac y Do Tremadog, Meithrinfa Babinogion

Caernarfon, Meithrinfa Plant Parcia, Caernarfon, Meithrinfa Tir Na n-Ôg, Bangor, Cylchoedd Meithrin Bontnewydd, Waunfawr & Cefnfaes Bethesda

Working in Residential Homes with people living with Dementia: We are currently delivering our Dance and Dementia Programme with face-to-face sessions. The residents benefit from taking part in the exercise, interacting with others, and having an outlet to communicate and express their feelings which improves their health and wellbeing. The sessions give opportunities for non-verbal communication, individual expression and exploration of feelings and stimulation of memories and provides opportunities for reminiscence which increases self- esteem and confidence. (Photo shows pupils from Ysgol Bro Gwydir Llanrwst engaging with older residents from Hafan Gwydir.)

At present we are visiting Brwynog, Amlwch Ynys Môn, Gwyddfor Bodedern, Ynys Môn, Haulfre, Llangoed Ynys Môn, Bryn Seiont Newydd Caernarfon Gwynedd, Bronafallen, Cerrigydrudion, Corwen Conwy, Willow Hall, Caernarfon, Gwynedd. We constantly look for funding to work with more and more Residential Homes throughout the 3 Counties that we serve. We toured our interactive show 'Cymru Ni' - created especially for People living with Dementia for Conwy residential homes during 2022 with funding from the Conwy Arts and Culture Team, Conwy Borough Council. We visited Bay Court Kinmel Bay, Coedmor Abergele, Dolawel Abergele, Tan y Bryn Craig y Don Llandudno, High Pastures Deganwy, Treflys Llandudno, Woodside Grange Rhos on Sea, Coed Craig Rhos on Sea, Rhoslan Rhos on Sea.

Health and Wellbeing Projects: We continue with our community projects that promote health and wellbeing. We work with Cyngor Gwynedd - Dementia Actif and we continue to work with Llwybrau Llesiant, our inclusive Dance Company that meet weekly on Zoom. We are currently collaborating on a project called 'Undercover' with Striking Attitudes Dance Company from Cardiff. As part of the project, we are creating an intergenerational dance piece with residents from Haulfre Care Home on Ynys Môn. The performance will be filmed and will be shown as part of a wider exhibition at Chapter Arts Centre in Cardiff in the New Year.

In comparison to the grant received from The Arts Council of Wales, the support from local authorities in the three counties is comparatively small, as shown: Arts Council of Wales: £87,496, Cyngor Gwynedd: £6,000, Conwy Council: £4,500, Ynys Môn Council: £2,898. As a small not for profit company providing dance provision across a very large area, our funds are continuously stretched to their limit.

It's very important to us that we know and that we're able to show that support is coming from the communities in every one of the counties, and a contribution from you as a Community Council, no matter how small, would reflect that.

We thank you in advance for your support. Compared to other forms of art, dance has been treated as second rate in the past. But as an art form, dance achieves many of the Government's agendas: health, promoting exercise, tackling obesity, promoting wellbeing, offering opportunities for young people, improving discipline and respect, promoting diversity and social inclusion and uniting communities.

I have enclosed a copy of Dawnsi Bawb' most recent audited accounts. If you have any further enquiries, you are welcome to contact me. I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,

Fiona Otting Administrative Manager - Dawns i Bawb