



BULLETIN

MERRY
CHRISTMAS
HAPPY &
NEW YEAR

WELCOME TO THE LATEST NEWS AND UPDATES FROM THE TRUST

TRUST OFFICE HOURS:

Monday 22 DEC:	OPEN
Tuesday 23 Dec:	OPEN
CHRISTMAS EVE	Closed
CHRISTMAS DAY	Closed
Boxing Day	Closed

Wellbeing Wednesdays
RESUME 7th January
11:00 am - Stroll in the Park

12:00 - Special £5 Lunch
1:00 pm - Craft Circle

Thursday Pie Night - Cafe
4:00 - 6:00pm

KPT COMMUNITY BENEFIT FUND
(COMMUNITY HYDRO DIVIDEND)

NOW OPEN!

For more information and how to apply,
please contact using the details below.



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OSCR Reg No. SC05098

WE ARE ALL WHEEL-Y EXCITED FOR CHRISTMAS



Diane and Mark Tollett photographed with Maureen Halkett, Penny Peddles and wee Kimmy, Timmy and Percy Penguin

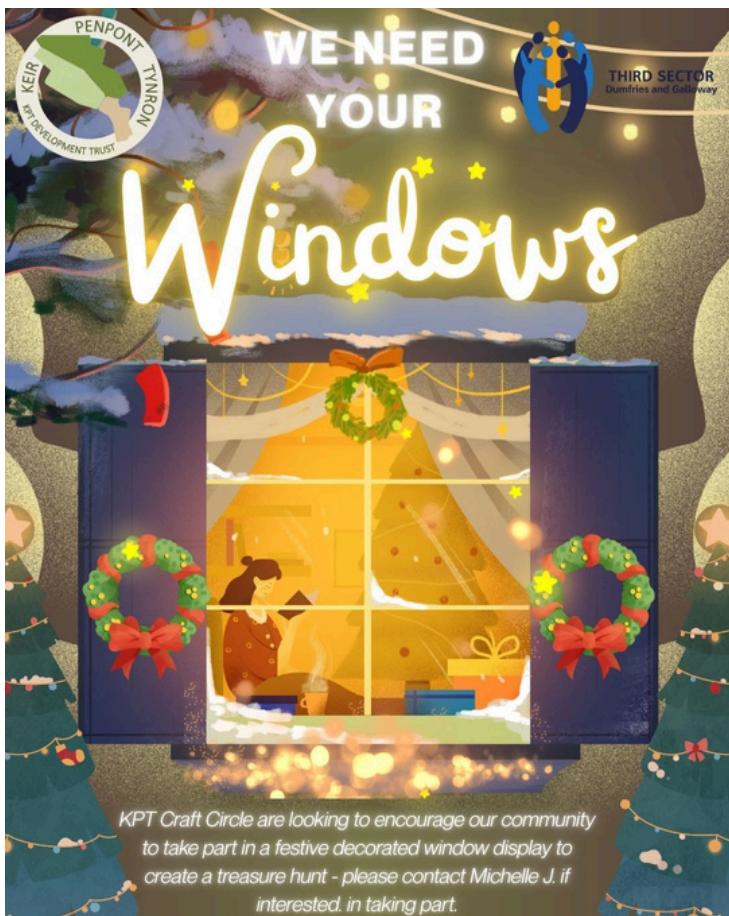
pet) designed and made by local family aka team Tollett. Talented and community minded Mark responded to our appeal and has created two children and a family pet recycling old bicycle parts. Mum - Diane decorated the new additions to the family and gave Penny a bit of a 2025 makeover. We are absolutely

delighted and we hope that you will join in and enjoy this festive fun! We'd love to see your family photos and/or selfies taken with Penny Peddles and her new family.

Thank you to Mark and Diane - wishing you all a very merry Christmas and happy holidays!



KPT CRAFT CIRCLE - TIME TO SPARKLE

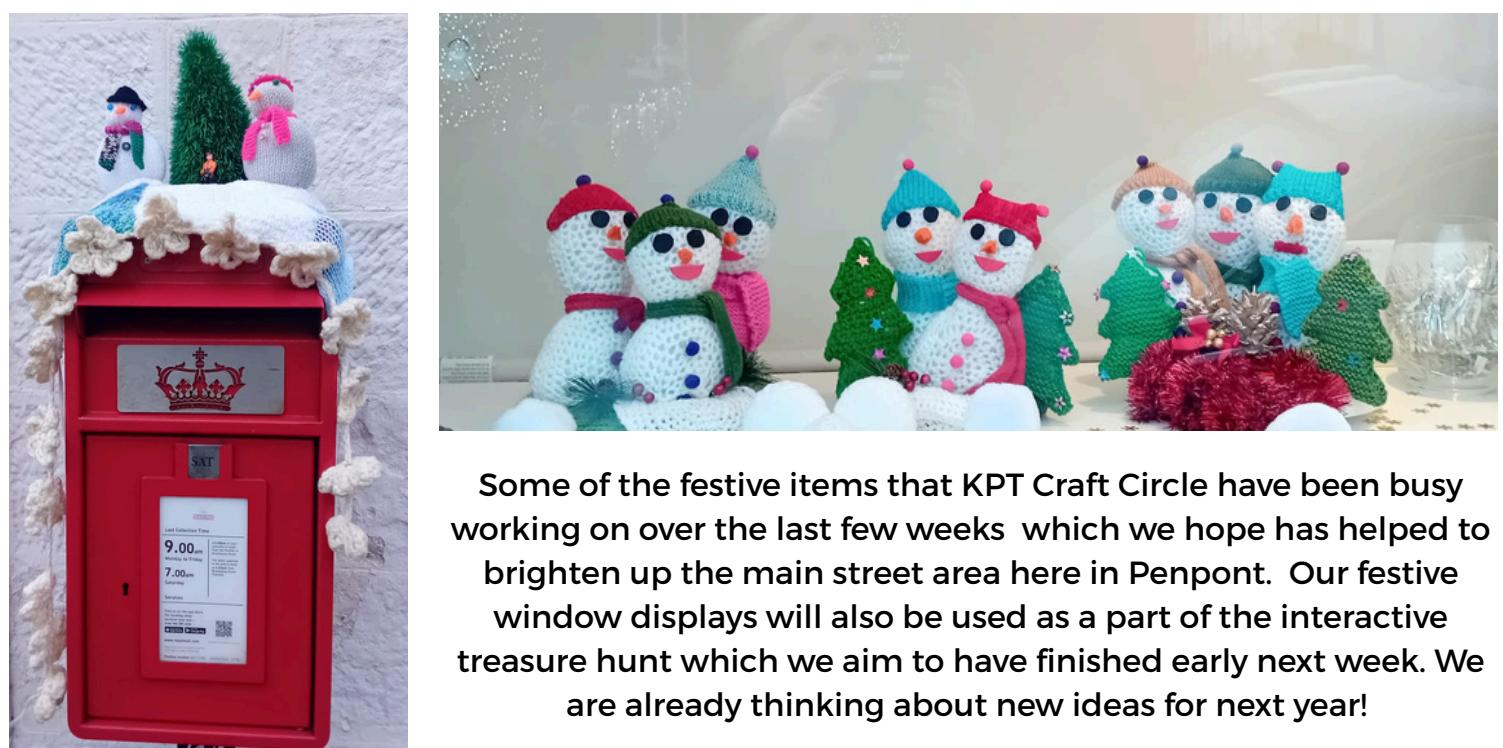


Many thanks to those of you who have very kindly come forward to help us with our festive window displays and our interactive treasure hunt. We are not quite ready to launch our treasure hunt clues yet as we've still got a few finishing touches to complete.

To date, it looks as if we have around eight or so window displays to participate. There is still time if you'd like to join in, please get in touch with Michelle J.

Your window displays can be as creative and dazzling as you like and can be themed around Christmas, A Winter Wonderland or anything that helps to spread festive cheer and hope.

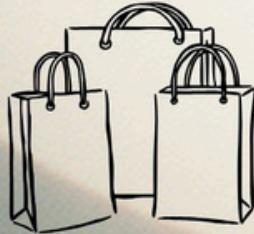
We aim simply to encourage a bit of family activity and fun for throughout the holidays.



Some of the festive items that KPT Craft Circle have been busy working on over the last few weeks which we hope has helped to brighten up the main street area here in Penpont. Our festive window displays will also be used as a part of the interactive treasure hunt which we aim to have finished early next week. We are already thinking about new ideas for next year!



DG3 COMMUNITY FOOD SHARING ACTIVITIES



Three Villages Community Cafe

Wednesday £5 Special



£5

From 12 noon



THREE VILLAGES COMMUNITY CAFE

TAKE AWAY PIE NIGHT!

THURSDAYS-4-6.PM

Come and get your **FREE LITTLE PIES** to take home to heat **OR** get them heated up **AND** for only £2.50, add chips and beans **OR** mash, peas and gravy.



THE PIES ARE DONATED BY KERR LITTLE BAKERY, DUMFRIES.
FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE PIES AND TO BOOK
PLEASE CALL 01848 331073 , OR POP INTO THE CAFE



THORNHILL COMMUNITY FOOD INITIATIVE

A membership food club for everyone.

Every Sunday at Old School Thornhill
(Come round to the kitchen door on the left)

Open from 11.30 to 12.30
Donations from 10.30 onwards

ALL WELCOME

O S T -

OLD SCHOOL THORNHILL

THORNHILL COMMUNITY FOOD INITIATIVE

EVERY SUNDAY 11.30 TILL 12.30

WHAT DO WE DO?
WHO CAN COME?

We aim to be both a wee shop and a friendly drop-in space for anyone in the DG3 area who is struggling to afford their weekly groceries.

No questions are asked, and everyone is welcome. Our goal is to create a warm and inviting environment for all.

DONATIONS WELCOME
FROM 10:30 ONWARDS

HOW DOES IT WORK?

- CHOOSE BETWEEN A £6.00 SHOP FOR 20 FAMILY ITEMS OR A £3.00 SHOP FOR 10 INDIVIDUAL ITEMS ON SUNDAY MORNINGS.
- FRUIT, VEGETABLES, AND EGGS ARE FREE.
- ENJOY A FREE CUP OF HOT CHOCOLATE OR HOME MADE SOUP
- ACCESS PRODUCE FROM THE COMMUNITY GARDEN OR PICK YOUR OWN!

OLD SCHOOL THORNHILL

HOSPITAL DISCHARGE COMMUNITY SUPPORT

Are you, a relative, or someone you know being discharged from hospital?

The Thornhill Community Food Initiative is trialing a new service for DG3, providing frozen meals and a stock of food to keep you going for a few days.

To arrange a collection, please email: tcf@oldschoolthornhill.com





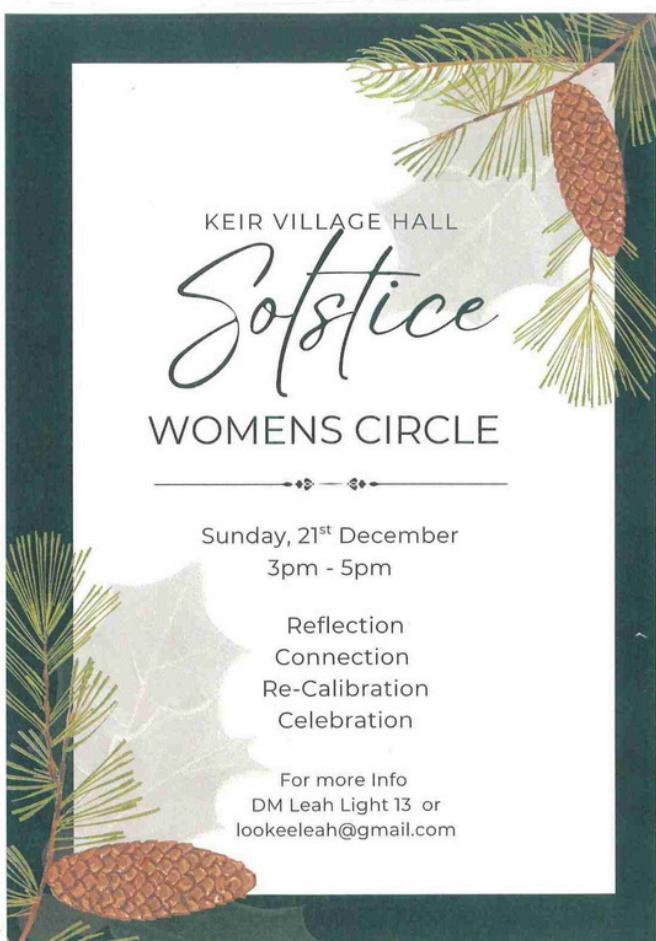


For further information on Warm Wednesday or Thursday Takeaway Pie Night at The Three Villages Community Café please contact 01848 331073 or email threenvillagescafe@gmail.com or Michelle Johnston (Development Officer on 01848 331435 or email info@kptdevelopmenttrust.org

For further information on any of the Old School Thornhill community food sharing activities please find on facebook [@thornhillcommunityfoodinitiative](https://www.facebook.com/thornhillcommunityfoodinitiative) or [oldschoolthornhill.com](https://www.facebook.com/oldschoolthornhill.com) (N.B. Thornhill Community Food Sharing Initiative are open as usual over the Christmas and New Year period)

DATES FOR THE DIARY!

Sunday 21st December



Wednesday 24th December

SANTA IS COMING TO TOWN

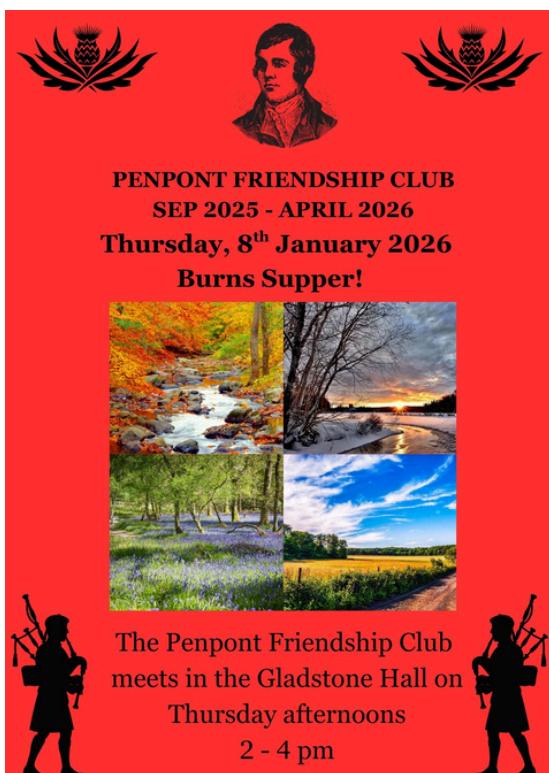


SEE SANTA ON CHRISTMAS EVE AS HE TRAVELS ON HIS SLEIGH, AND COME VISIT HIS GROTTO.

SANTA AND ELVES WILL START 5PM AT KEIR, THEN VISIT PENPONT, TRAVELLING THROUGH: THE CARAVAN PARK, PRINGLETON, MARRBURN ROAD, BOGG ROAD, MAIN STREET, BRIARBUSH, GRENNAN ROAD & MILLBANK PLACE, FINISHING AT THE TOP OF GRENNAN ROAD APPROX 6.30PM FOR SANTA'S GROTTO.

DURING THE JOURNEY, SANTA'S ELVES WILL BE COLLECTING FOR HAYJAVU CRAFTS, TO PROVIDE FREE CHILDRENS CRAFT CLASSES WITHIN OUR COMMUNITY IN 2026.

Thursday 8th January



Penpont Friendship Club meet up again in the New Year on Thursday 8th January. There will be a Burns Supper Event. For those interested in becoming new members or booking your meal - please get in touch with Chair, Betty Grant on 07584437275.

PUBLIC NOTICE

19 - 30

January 2026

Nith Bridge Closure

Nith Bridge will be closed to vehicular traffic from 19th January to 30th January to allow electric cables to the traffic lights and curbing on the bridge to be laid. Active travellers will be able to cross. The community will be advised to use diversions via Drumlanrig or Auldgirth. However heavy vehicles may have to make a longer detour. The permanent traffic lights will be the final element and will be installed between 9th and 13th March.



Keir, Penpont and Tynron Development Trust (KPTDT) have a number of activities and groups that are designed to help keep local residents healthy and active, reduce loneliness and generally improve our sense of wellbeing. Each of our activities and groups are open to all and most are offered free of charge or at a reduced cost.

If anyone living locally is interested in any of the groups or activities shown on this poster, but is faced with barriers to their participation, please do get in touch with us for an informal chat about how we can support you to join in. Please also note that our activities and groups may be subject to change and places on certain activities may be subject to availability. So it is advisable to get in touch prior to attending.

There are also other opportunities available that are not shown here, such as volunteering in Bridgend Community Garden or with our community food sharing activities, so please do check our Facebook Page (KPT Development Trust) and our website: www.kptdevelopmenttrust.org

For further information, or if you have any questions, please get in touch with Michelle Johnston (Development Officer) on 01848 331 435 or email: info@kptdevelopmenttrust.org



Stroll in the Park

JOIN US!

Penpont Starting 26 June
Wednesdays at 11am
Meet at KPT Office Penpont

[Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/ActiveCommunitiesDumfriesGalloway) Active Communities Dumfries & Galloway



Dumfries & Galloway

Shiatsu is a physical therapy/massage which uses a combination of pressure points, gentle manipulation and stretching.

Shiatsu can help with relaxation, improve mood, aid sleep and relieve tension.

Shiatsu is given fully clothed and can be practised on the floor or a chair. Each session is tailored to the client's needs.

There are 15 more fully funded sessions available.

- 1h sessions
- Home visits
- Priority given to carers, isolated and elderly people and those with mobility issues.
- Treatments also available in Penpont

For any questions or booking

M: 07761 713 685

contact Davie Hall on:

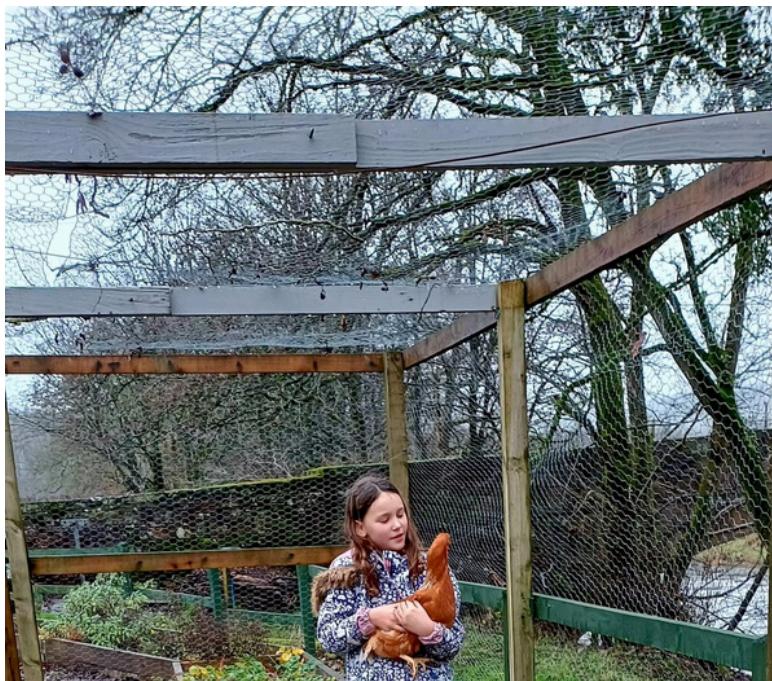
E: davie_hall@fastmail.fm

BRIDGEND COMMUNITY GARDEN

The Bridgend Community Garden Group are utterly over the moon to introduce the latest additions to the garden - these rather lovely hens. Hopefully, the hens should start to lay in a few weeks time and the garden group will let everybody know when there are delicious fresh eggs available.

These girls are so chilled out & friendly and we hope you will enjoy meeting them and stopping by to watch their antics!

They were generously donated to us by Simon J Frankland from Laurieston, nr. Castle Douglas. If anyone is looking for some hens then we would definately recommend sending this chap a message via Facebook.





UPDATES FROM THE CAFÉ



VOUCHERS AVAILABLE NOW!

If like us, you have relatives, friends or colleagues who may be simply too difficult to pick out a Christmas gift for...

We can offer a solution!
Why not treat them to a
CAFE VOUCHER?

Our Gift Vouchers are available to purchase now - just ask staff at The Three Villages Community Cafe.





HOLIDAY

Opening Hours

24.12	CLOSED
25.12	CLOSED
26.12	CLOSED
27.12	9.30AM - 3.00PM
28.12	9.30AM - 3.00PM
31.12	CLOSED
01.01	CLOSED
02.01	CLOSED
03.01	9.30AM - 3.00PM
04.01	9.30AM - 3.00PM



CHRISTMAS DINNER MENU
THE EVENING OF
FRI 19TH DEC 2025
& OTHER DATES - PLEASE
SPEAK TO CAFÉ STAFF



BOOKINGS NOW BEING TAKEN

Starters

Vegetable Soup (gf)

Warming homemade soup served with roll & butter

Creamy Garlic Mushrooms(v)

Served with toast

Homemade Chicken Liver Pate with Cranberries
Served with oatcakes

Prawn Cocktail

Served with brown bread & butter

Mains

Traditional Roast Turkey Crown & trimmings
Including pigs in blankets, stuffing & bread sauce

Homemade Nut Roast (v) (gf)
served with mushroom gravy

Roast Venison haunch
Served with red currant relish

Salmon Wellington
Served with Herb Sauce

All Served with Seasonal Vegetables

Puddings

Homemade Christmas Sticky Toffee Pudding (v) (gf)
Served with Toffee Sauce

Christmas Roulade(v) (gf)

Homemade light meringue filled with cream & Christmas fruits

Chocolate & Orange Cheesecake (v) (gf)

Homemade cheesecake topped with orange segments

Cheese Platter

A selection of cheeses served with biscuits and grapes

Cream & Ice-cream if required

To Finish

Tea or Coffee
& Mints

Everyone gets a Christmas Cracker!

£25.00/ person

To book / check availability:

Tel. 01848 331073

threenvillagescafe@gmail.com facebook (Messenger)
or pop into the café