

CPRW's 1st Newsletter

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"To do good and to communicate forget not"

This injunction is the reason why your Executive Committee decided to experiment with the issue of News Letter.

With an increasing awareness of the dangers to the countryside, a much wider interest is apparent. The education and indeed mobilisation of public opinion has now become a matter of urgency if the future pattern of development is to be generally satisfactory. To keep pace your Executive are of the opinion that News letters every four months will be an effective method of informing and I trust inspiring.



THE COUNCIL'S SCHEMES AT THE INDUSTRIAL WALES EXHIBITION, OLYMPIA, 1947.

Does anyone have a copy of the poster which appears on the exhibition board in this 1948 picture?

In response to some unusually uninformed criticisms of what purported to be the Council's policy regarding rural development which it was thought desirable to make the following statement which appeared in the Liverpool Daily Post on June 4th 1948

"May I, through the courtesy of your columns, dissipate a notion still apparently held by some who may not yet be fully acquainted with the aims of the Council for the Preservation of Rural Wales – the notion that the Council looks askance at all plans for rural development?"

On the contrary, the CPRW, essentially a progressive organisation, looks straight ahead to the future, and welcomes any scheme of sound development in the countryside, planned along the right lines, and offers its encouragement and co operation to any such activity. The Council does, however, strive to foster a desire to preserve and improve the amenities of the countryside, while maintaining unimpaired the natural beauty and character of the land, which are of such fundamental importance to the economic wellbeing of Wales."

Pigion o'r gorffennol

Yn 1966, cyhoeddodd Cyngor Datblygu Cymru Wledig (fel yr oedd ar y pryd) y rhifyn cyntaf o'i gylchlythyr newyddion.

Roedd hynny'n angenrheidiol, meddai, er mwyn rhannu gwybodaeth ac ysbrydoli, gan fod addysgu a rhoi llais i'r farn gyhoeddus erbyn hynny yn fater brys.

Yn 1948, roedd y Cyngor wedi cyhoeddi datganiad yn y Daily Post i geisio dileu'r syniad fod y Cyngor yn erbyn pob cynllun ar gyfer datblygu gwledig.

"Yn hytrach," meddai, "mae'r Cyngor yn edrych yn syth ymlaen at y dyfodol ac yn croesawu unrhyw ddatblygiad swnnd yng nghefn gwlad ... ond mae hefyd yn ceisio meithrin yr awydd i warchod a gwella cyfleusterau cefn gwlad, tra'n cynnal harddwch naturiol a chymeriad y tir, heb ei amharu."

