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Report of the Directors of Cilcennin Cyntaf for year ended 28th February 2015

As indicated at the last Annual General Meeting (AGM), the Board of Directors of Cilcennin Cyntaf has focussed on re-building and upgrading the village website, www.cilcennin.net

The limitations of the current site has meant that few societies and clubs engage in regular updates of their activities.

Following the AGM, the focus was on community engagement to obtain their comments on the way forward. A full application for a grant from the Lottery Fund was subsequently submitted and successfully granted in February 2015.

Work began almost immediately with a local web builder, aSplash Web Design, to build a new website. New domain names were purchased - www.cilcennin.wales and www.cilcennin.cymru - to list the bilingual site.

A short presentation will follow this AGM to share with the membership the current layout and content, and to explore the thoughts and ideas of the community. It is very important to the Board that everyone has an opportunity to comment and to build a site that works for all.

We have commissioned 4 historical plaques plus the village map following grant funding for our last village day. We await research work relating to 3 other properties before finalising the project.

In the last few weeks, we have sold several computers whilst retaining two for research work (Ancestry Group) and scanning documents.

Both items will be permanently located in new, modern office storage units in the village hall. These units were acquired on permanent loan, free of charge, from Cymdeithas Aberaeron

As Chairman, I would like to thank all the Directors for their support and work over the last 12 months, especially Michelle Davies who has coordinated this whole project.

I also note the work of Tony Bamber, who agreed to be co-opted onto the Board and has acted as "Minutes Secretary".

During the next 12 months, we will continue to focus on delivering an efficient, modern, bilingual website which integrates and informs the community of what is going on in the

village clubs and societies. The need for a bilingual site is considered essential and the acquisition of an economic translation service is urgently sought.

Finally, we need to attract new members willing to stand as Directors, as new approaches and ideas remain the cornerstone of a vibrant organisation.