

Cytal♦APT

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Dear Colleague

As well as UKAPT *APT News*, we hope to be able to produce a bi-lingual Cytal♦APT Newssheet to keep you up to date with events and news of interest happening in and around Wales. The first Cytal♦APT newssheet will be produced soon. However to ensure that you don't miss out on forthcoming events and information we will send you regular information bulletins in the interim. If you have any relevant information that you would like to share for publication in the bulletin or newssheets please do contact me.

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Back to Basics

The next back to Basics Seminar is to be held at Birmingham School of Arts on Saturday the 12th of March 2005. The programme includes:

VAT - Mike Payne of BDO Stoy Hayward
Insurance - Norelle King – Aon Insurance
Project Management – Harvey Dowdy – North East Civic Trust
Education and Skills Training – Dr Sharon Goddard, Heritage Lottery Fund
Recent Birmingham Conservation Trust Projects - Elizabeth Perkins, BCT
Feasibility Studies – Maria Perks – Architectural Heritage Fund

There are still places available at this event (£25.00 APT members and £50 to non members). If you are interested please contact Nicola Dyer on 0207930 1629 apt@ahfund.org.uk

The next Back to Basics Seminar will be held in Llandudno on the Saturday May the 7th – Details below.

Llandudno 2005

Cytal♦APT – Wales Regional Committee Meeting

The next APT Wales Regional committee meeting will be held in Llandudno at St George's School on Friday the 6th of May 2005. Minutes of the last meeting and details will follow shortly.

Back to Basics - Saturday the 7th of May – St George's School Llandudno

Following the regional meeting on Friday we will be holding a Back to Basics Seminar that will cover practical elements and fundamentals of developing and supporting a Building Preservation Project and Trust. The programme is to be confirmed, and details will be circulated shortly. Places are likely to be limited so book early.

SAVE - Dan Cruickshank Lecture

"Buildings at Risk International"

Historian and TV presenter, Dan Cruickshank, will be giving a lecture in aid of SAVE Britain's Heritage at the Royal Geographical Society on the 24th March at 7pm, looking at the threats to heritage across the globe he has encountered while filming his new BBC series, Around the Globe in Eighty Treasures. Dan will also be signing copies of his new book accompanying the series after the lecture.

Tickets are £12 (and £8 for Friends of SAVE) and available from SAVE on 020 7253 3500, or send a cheque to SAVE Britain's Heritage, 70 Cowcross Street, London EC1M 6EJ

Menai – Project Officer

Menai Bridge Community Heritage Trust is seeking a new Project Officer to support the development of a community enterprise in Menai Bridge called 'Project Menai'. Project Menai plans to provide an education and interpretation centre focussing on the unique archaeological, historical, scientific, engineering, environmental and cultural heritage of the Menai Strait, its two bridges and the surrounding area.

In providing such a facility, Project Menai will act as a learning resource, contribute to the regeneration of the Menai Bridge area, and complement existing heritage and visitor attractions in North West Wales.

Suitable candidates will have experience of:

- Writing grant applications and proposals
- Budget management
- Working within community projects

Preference will be given to candidates who can demonstrate:

- Strong networking skills
- Project Management skills
- Any experience of European or lottery funding
- Experience in Heritage / Museum work
- Experience in managing capital works

The post is funded for 3 months after which it shall be subject to securing further funding.

Start date: Immediately Contact: **Gareth Davies on 01248 715 046**

Warning from the Charities Commission!

The Charity Commission has warned against a new scam in a release circulated in the last few weeks.

Charities risk having their bank accounts emptied in a clever but nasty new scam, the Charity Commission warned today. Fraudsters obtain charities' bank account details from Gift Aid forms and use this information to set up standing orders, taking funds away from charities and putting them into the accounts of thieves. The Commission today urges charities to check bank statements thoroughly for rogue payments and to consider deposit-only accounts for charitable donations.

Sign, the National Society for Mental Health and Deafness, uncovered the scam when it spotted two new standing orders adding up to hundreds of pounds set up on the charity's account. It immediately contacted its bank and stopped the standing orders before any money was lost.

Steve Powell, Chief Executive at Sign, said:

"It's a sad fact of modern times that charities have to constantly fight against clever con artists. We all have a duty to be aware of the forms these scams can take and to take steps to protect charitable funds."

Andrew Hind, Chief Executive at the Commission, said:

"This is a particularly worrying scam because it requires no contact with the charity. In turn, this leaves charities with no opportunity to become suspicious. We urge charities to consider deposit-only accounts for charitable donations and to contact its bank if unsure about any standing orders."

Conference Diary

Putting to Productive New Uses - The Role of Heritage led Regeneration in Creating Sustainable Communities of The Future. The conference, which is part supported by UKAPT, will be held on Wednesday the 20th of April 2005 at the Geological Society Burlington House, Picadilly London W1. The conference will address key areas such as:

- Heritage buildings within the sustainable communities of the future
- Making old buildings financially viable
- Regeneration as a catalyst for community change
- Combining heritage buildings in to modern developments
- Change management in regeneration programmes

For further information contact Landor Conferences Quadrant House 250, Kennington Lane. London SE11 5RD Tel: 0207582 0128 Fax: 020 7587 5308. Book early before the 18th of March and you could receive a £50 discount.

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