

## AGM 2023 PROGRAMME

The Monmouthshire and Gwent branch are delighted to welcome you to Carmarthenshire this year. The actual AGM will be held at The National Botanic Garden of Wales, Middleton Hall in Llanarthne. Over the past few years a number of projects have been completed and it is always interesting to see the changes and how the botanic gardens are evolving.

**Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September** 6.00 – 7.30pm

**Court Henry, Dryslwyn, Carmarthen, SA32 8RU**

The weekend will start with a drinks party, by kind permission of **Tom and Willa Lloyd**.

Some WHGT signposts will be set up near Court Henry in Dryslwyn. If fine, drinks will be in the garden otherwise in the house. Numbers are restricted so tickets will be issued on a first come first served basis.

### AGM

**Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> September 10.00 for 10.30**

**Theatre at the National Botanic Garden of Wales, Llanarthne, SA32**

Members are asked to park in the car park using the Corporate Entrance, (not the Visitor Car Park).

Route: From Cross Hands, take the A48 towards Carmarthen for approx. 3.8 miles. Exit the A48 onto the B4310 SP National Botanic Garden / Llanarthne. Continue on the B4310 for approx. 0.8 mile. At the entrance to the National Botanic Garden take the 1st exit off the roundabout and follow the brown NBGW delivery signs. DO NOT enter the Gardens through the main gate. Take the next right signpost to Llanarthne, then after approx. 0.5 mile turn right at the Corporate entrance sign. When you approach the gates, please signal you are there to the marshal and they will open the electronic gates for entry.

Coffee will be available on arrival.

### 10.30 am AGM

Following the business

Guest speaker **Dr Lucy Sutherland, Director of NBGW** will present:

**Building on the legacy of many – taking the National Botanic Garden of Wales forward**

Lunch will be served in the entrance. (Members may eat their lunch where they were sitting for the meeting).

**2.00pm:** After lunch various options are available for members to choose from:

**Restored Landscape** 1hr 30mins

**Great Glasshouse** about 45 mins

**Orchards and Walled Garden** about 45mins

**4.00pm** Tea will be served from the Theatre entrance.

After tea members are free to choose as the gardens do not officially close until 6.00 pm

**Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> October Aberglasney Gardens, Llangathen, Carmarthen SA32 8QH.**

10.00 for 10.30 am coffee on arrival

**Welcome by Jim Stribling, Director of Operations, Aberglasney**

This will be followed by a tour of the gardens with **James Latham, Head Gardener**

As the catering facilities cannot cater for large numbers, lunch needs to be booked in advance and will be held in two sittings.

### Local Hotels

Close to NBGW and Aberglasney:

The Cawdor Hotel, Llandeilo Tel: 01558 823500, The Plough, Rhosmaen Tel: 01558 823431

or [www.booking.com](http://www.booking.com) The Spillman Hotel, The Ivy Bush and The Falcon, Carmarthen are a little further away.

B&B's on Cottages.com but none very close by. Food at the Cawdor is good but advise to book in advance.

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