

**Ymddiriedolaeth Gerddi Hanesyddol Cymru Welsh Historic Gardens Trust  
Cangen Ceredigion Branch**



**Exploration of the grounds of Plas Gogerddan  
on Wednesday 10 July 2024 at 2.15pm**

For several centuries Gogerddan was one of the county's foremost gentry estates, wealthy from mining and from land. The landscape around the Plas was laid out as a horticultural and recreational paradise, with pleasure grounds and productive gardens befitting the family status. There was even a racecourse.

Today Gogerddan is renowned for academic research into plant breeding and environmental science. Its proliferating buildings have gradually turned much of the former Plas demesne into a lively campus of Aberystwyth University. Recently it has made horticultural history with the creation of a Heritage Orchard.

We plan to visit the grounds immediately around the Plas, looking at old maps and estate plans, and then move to the NRW carpark. The 1¼-mile circular Gogerddan Trail is laid out in part on old estate paths and passes significant features like the remains of the avenue of huge lime trees and the site of a former glasshouse. Some may prefer to turn back after visiting the lime avenue at the base of the hill. There are pleasant picnic tables by the stream at the NRW parking. We suggest you bring refreshments.

**Directions:** Take the turning towards Penrhyncoch from the A4159. We hope to park near Plas Gogerddan (SN629 836) but further details will follow. We will later move to the NRW carpark ¼ mile to the east.

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**GOGERDDAN** Please return this slip to Penny David with payment of £5 per person\* by 26 June.

Name .....

Address.....

Phone Number..... Email.....

Number attending ..... I would/would not like to share transport .....

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